

Treatment of Convenience Stores and Fuel Retailers as “Essential Businesses” Under COVID-19 Executive Actions

State	Executive Action	Treatment of Convenience Stores and Fuel Retailers
Alabama	State Health Officer Order Essential Business Poster	Prohibits any restaurant, bar, brewery, and certain other food service establishments from permitting on-premises consumption of food or drink, but permits offering food for take-out or delivery, provided the social distancing protocols are met (e.g., maintaining a consistent 6-foot distance between persons). Allows essential businesses, including <u>gas stations</u> and grocery stores to remain open.
Alaska	Health Mandate 003 Health Mandate 011 FAQs Attachment A (Essential Businesses)	Allows essential businesses to remain open, including <u>convenience stores</u> and other establishments engaged in the retail sale of food, beverages, and other household consumer products and <u>gas stations</u> .
Arizona	Executive Order 2020-12 Executive Order 2020-18	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> and businesses needed for transportation, <u>convenience stores</u> , and restaurants that prepare and serve food for consumption off-premises.
Arkansas	Department of Health Directive	Requires food retail establishments to close on-site dining, but permits service to remain open for carry-out, drive through and delivery.
California	Executive Order N-33-20 Guidance	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , grocery stores, farmers markets, food banks, <u>convenience stores</u> , take-out and delivery restaurants, banks, etc.
Colorado	Executive Order 2020-017 FAQs Amended Public Health Order 20-24	Allows critical services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> and <u>convenience stores</u> .
Connecticut	Executive Order No. 7D Executive Order No. 7G Executive Order No. 7H	Allows essential services to remain open, including grocery stores, <u>gas stations and convenience stores</u> , pharmacies, food and beverage manufacturers, take-out and delivery restaurants, banks, insurance companies, etc.

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		Requires all restaurants and eating establishments to only serve food for off-premises consumption.
Delaware	Modified Declaration of State of Emergency 4 Modified Declaration of State of Emergency 5	Allows essential services to remain open, including businesses that <u>sell or distribute gasoline or road-use diesel</u> in any form, businesses that sell groceries or food, and carry-out and quick serve food operations.
D.C.	Mayor's Order 2020-053 Mayor's Oder 2020-054	Allows essential services can remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , stores that sell food and household products (including <u>convenience stores</u>) and facilities that prepare and serve food for off-premise consumption.
Florida	Executive Order No. 20-91	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , stores that sell groceries and medicine (including <u>convenience stores</u>) and facilities that prepare and serve food for off-premise consumption.
Georgia		
Hawaii	Supplemental Proclamation No. 3	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , stores that sell groceries and medicine (including <u>convenience stores</u>) and facilities that prepare and serve food for off-premise consumption.
Idaho	Health Department Order List of Essential Businesses Emergency Declaration FAQs	Allows essential services can remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , <u>convenience stores</u> and restaurants and other facilities that prepare food for carry-out or delivery.
Illinois	Executive Order 2020-08	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , stores that sell groceries and medicine (including <u>convenience stores</u>) and facilities that prepare and serve food for off-premise consumption.
Indiana	Executive Order 20-08 Executive Order 20-10	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , stores that sell groceries and medicine (including <u>convenience stores</u>) and facilities that prepare and serve food for off-premise consumption.

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Iowa	Proclamation of Disaster Emergency Press Release	Closes restaurants and bars to the general public, except to the extent they sell food or beverages that are promptly taken from the premises (e.g., carry-out or drive-through).
Kansas	Executive Order No. 20-16 Press Release	Allows essential functions to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> and associated <u>convenience stores</u> and restaurants provided the food is not for on-site consumption.
Kentucky	Executive Order 2020-246 Executive Order 2020-257	Allows life-sustaining retail services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> and <u>convenience stores</u> .
Louisiana	Proclamation No. 33 JBE 2020	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , grocery stores, farmers markets, food banks, <u>convenience stores</u> , take-out and delivery restaurants, banks, etc.
Maine	Emergency Order 19 FY 19/20	Allows essential businesses to remain open, including businesses that sell grocery and household goods (such as <u>convenience stores</u>) and <u>gas stations</u> .
Maryland	Executive Order Guidance	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , grocery stores, farmers markets, food banks, <u>convenience stores</u> , take-out and delivery restaurants, banks, etc.
Massachusetts	Executive Order No. 13 Essential Business List	Allows essential businesses to remain open, including <u>convenience stores</u> and retail fuel centers such as <u>gas stations</u> and truck stops.
Michigan	Executive Order 2020-21	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , grocery stores, farmers markets, food banks, <u>convenience stores</u> , take-out and delivery restaurants, banks, etc.
Minnesota	Executive Order 20-20 FAQs	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , grocery stores, <u>convenience stores</u> , and take-out and delivery restaurants.

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Mississippi	Executive Order No. 1463 Executive Order No. 1466 Executive Order No. 1465	Allows essential services to remain open, including essential retail like <u>gas stations</u> and <u>convenience stores</u> . Prohibits restaurants from offering dine-in service for 10+ patrons/customers in a single room, and encourages them to prepare and serve food for consumption off-premises.
Missouri		
Montana	Directive	Allows essential businesses to remain open, including gas stations and businesses needed for transportation, convenience stores, and restaurants that prepare and serve food for consumption off-premises.
Nebraska	Directed Health Measure Order 2020-001 Press Release DHHS Guidance	Prohibits gatherings of 10+ patrons/customers in a single room in certain counties (e.g., Cass Douglas, Sarpy, and Washington counties) and advises other counties to follow this recommendation. Excludes retail or grocery stores where large numbers of people are present but it is typically unusual for them to be within 6 feet of one another.
Nevada	Directive 010 Essential Business Guidance	Allows essential businesses to remain open, including <u>convenience stores</u> , <u>gas stations</u> , and restaurants on a take-out, curbside pickup, delivery, or drive-through basis only.
New Hampshire	Emergency Order No. 17 Essential Business Guidance	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> and businesses needed for transportation, <u>convenience stores</u> , and restaurants that prepare and serve food for consumption off-premises.
New Jersey	Executive Order No. 107	Allows essential services to remain open, including grocery stores, retail functions of <u>gas stations</u> , <u>convenience stores</u> , and restaurants as long as they only offer food delivery and/or take-out services.
New Mexico	Public Health Emergency Order	Allows essential services can remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , stores that sell groceries (including convenience stores) and facilities that prepare and serve food for off-premise consumption.
New York		Allows essential services to remain open, including healthcare, utilities, <u>transportation infrastructure</u> , manufacturing, grocery stores, pharmacies, news media, construction, and vendors of essential services.

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	Executive Order No. 202.6 Executive Order No. 202.8	
North Carolina	Executive Order No. 121	Requires all restaurants and bars to close, exempting grocery stores, <u>gas stations</u> , and <u>convenience stores</u> and will remain open, though they may not serve sit-down food.
North Dakota		
Ohio	Ohio Department of Health Order	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> and <u>businesses needed for transportation, convenience stores</u> , and restaurants that prepare and serve food for consumption off-premises.
Oklahoma		
Oregon	Executive Order 20-07 Press Release Executive Order No. 20-12	Requires the closure of certain retail businesses, but does not require <u>convenience stores</u> or <u>gas stations</u> to close. Prohibits restaurants, bars, food courts, coffee shops, or other similar establishments that offer food or drink from offering on-premises consumption, but permits such establishments to offer food or drink for off-premises consumption or for delivery, provided they implement social distancing protocols of at least 3 feet between customers ordering, waiting, or in line.
Pennsylvania	Executive Order Full List of Essential Services	Allows life sustaining services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , grocery stores, general merchandise stores, etc. and permits restaurants to offer takeout and delivery service.
Rhode Island	Executive Order 20-13 Executive Order 20-14	Allows critical retail businesses to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> , <u>convenience stores</u> , and restaurants for pickup, drive-through, and delivery.
South Carolina	Emergency Order No. 2020-10	Directs restaurants and other food service establishments that prepare, produce, or otherwise offer/sell food or beverages for on-premises consumption or dine-in consumption to suspend such services, except permits the preparation, production, or offering of food or beverages for off-premises consumption.

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		Does <u>not</u> apply to grocery stores, pharmacies, convenience stores, gas stations, or charitable food distribution sites to the extent that such entities prepare, produce, or otherwise offer, sell, or distribute prepared food, but clarifies that on-premises, sit-down food or beverage service within these facilities is prohibited.
South Dakota	Executive Order No. 2020-08	Encourages business models that do not involve public gatherings, like takeout and drive-through services.
Tennessee	Executive Order 22	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> and businesses needed for transportation, <u>convenience stores</u> , and restaurants that prepare and serve food for consumption off-premises.
Texas	Executive Order GA-14	<p>Advises individuals to avoid eating or drinking at bars, restaurants, and food courts, but permits the use of drive-through, delivery, or pickup options.</p> <p>Provides that the restrictions do <u>not</u> prohibit people from <u>gas stations</u>, so long as the necessary precautions are maintained to reduce the transmission of COVID-19.</p> <p>Designates essential services based on DHS Memorandum on Identification of Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers.</p>
Utah	State Public Health Order Press Release	Requires all food service, restaurants, self-serve buffets, salad bars, unpackaged self-serve food services, bars, taverns, etc. to close, but permits such food service to operate on a limited basis (i.e., via delivery, drive-through, or pickup options).
Vermont	Addendum 6 to Executive Order 01-20	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>fuel services and supply</u> and retail that sells food, beverage, and essential supplies, provided these retail operations are conducted online, for delivery and curbside pickup to the extent possible.
Virginia	Executive Order No. 53 (2020) Executive Order No. 55 (2020) FAQ	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> and <u>convenience stores</u> and restaurants that prepare and serve food for consumption off-premises.
Washington	Proclamation 20-25	

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		Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations and businesses needed for transportation, convenience stores</u> , and restaurants that prepare and serve food for consumption off-premises.
West Virginia	Executive Order 9-20	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations and businesses needed for transportation, convenience stores</u> , and restaurants that prepare and serve food for consumption off-premises.
Wisconsin	Emergency Order No. 12	Allows essential services to remain open, including <u>gas stations</u> and businesses needed for transportation, <u>convenience stores</u> , and restaurants that prepare and serve food for consumption off-premises.
Wyoming		