

State of Louisiana
Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control

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Phase Two Update: Roadmap for a Resilient Louisiana

Bar Closures and Curbside Pickup

Over the last several weeks, there has been a growing concern regarding the increasing numbers of COVID-19 cases in Louisiana. In response to this concern, Governor Edwards announced that effective [July 13, 2020](#), there will be a mandatory mask requirement for Louisiana and ordered the closure of all bars in the state for on-premises consumption. The Governor also placed a restriction on indoor social gatherings and parties to no more than fifty (50) total people. With these changes, Louisiana remains in Phase Two of the Roadmap for a Resilient Louisiana through July 24, 2020.

It is crucial that Businesses review and adhere to all guidelines issued by Governor Edwards, the Office of the State Fire Marshal ("SFM") and the Louisiana Department of Health ("LDH"). For specific guidelines and resources, please visit www.opensafely.la.gov.

Bars (Class AG permit holders) and Curbside Services

In accordance with Governor Edwards order, Proclamation No. 89 JBE 2020, all bars or businesses holding a Class A-General permit, with or without a food service permit from LDH, shall be required to close effective [Monday, July 13, 2020](#). This order does not impact those businesses that have been issued a "Restaurant Conditional" permit by ATC. In accordance with 89 JBE 2020, no persons, other than employees shall be permitted inside the bar establishment. Likewise, inside and outside dine-in food services are prohibited. Businesses are allowed to offer curbside or drive-thru services, including alcoholic beverages pursuant to Proclamation No. 89 JBE 2020.

Accordingly, we are encouraging curbside services but are reminding businesses that curbside services must be conducted in compliance with both state and local laws with respect to open containers. Businesses may only offer via curbside services beer, wine, and frozen specialty drinks in sealed or factory-sealed containers. The sale of single serving or mixed alcoholic drinks are prohibited and may violate open alcoholic container laws. All restrictions previously imposed during Phase Two remain in effect. All businesses must continue to adhere to SFM and LDH guidelines, including mandatory mask requirements, live entertainment rules, and strict social distancing rules.

ATC remains committed to serving the public and appreciate the patience that permit-holders have exhibited. We look forward to the day when the State returns to normal operations. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact ATC at [225-925-4041](tel:225-925-4041).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Juana Lombard".

Juana Lombard
ATC Commissioner