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Restrictions Will Ease as San Mateo County Moves to Orange Tier

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Pacifica, CA) – The state of California announced today the easing of certain restrictions on businesses, indoor and outdoor gatherings, and other activities in San Mateo County. The changes take effect at 12:01 on Wednesday morning, the 28th of October.

With the risk from coronavirus now officially declared “moderate,” the county moves into the less-restrictive orange Tier 3 in the state’s four-tier, color-coded plan for reducing COVID-19 with criteria for modifying restrictions on activities.

Moving to Tier 3 (Orange) allows:

- Shopping malls open indoors (with modifications)
- Places of worship open indoors (50% capacity or 200 people, whichever is fewer)
- Dine-in restaurants open indoors (50% capacity or 200 people, whichever is fewer)
- Bars/Breweries (where no meal provided) open for *outdoors only*
- Movie theaters open indoors (50% capacity or 200 people, whichever is fewer)
- Gyms & fitness centers, including indoor pools open indoors (with modifications)
- Family entertainment centers open indoors for naturally distanced activities (with modifications)
- Hotels, lodging and short-term lodging rentals open (with modifications)
- Museums open indoors (50% capacity)
- Schools may reopen fully for in-person instruction. Local school officials will decide whether and when that will occur.
- And more.

For further information by industry sector, visit the state’s Industry Guidance website at <https://covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance/>.

PLEASE NOTE:

Halloween and Día de los Muertos

The move to orange Tier 3 *does not* change guidance from state and local health officials regarding holiday gatherings. San Mateo County Health recommends that you choose a safer alternative way to celebrate Halloween and Día de los Muertos and strongly discourages trick-or-treating. Learn more at <https://www.smchealth.org/health-officer-updates/halloween-safety-guidance>.

Businesses, museums, child care facilities and other operations that reopen must follow state health guidelines specific to that industry and adhere to local health orders mandating face coverings and other

health and safety practices. These guidelines can be found on the state's COVID-19 website at <https://covid19.ca.gov/>.

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