

# OUTDOOR RECREATION ADVISORY TASK FORCE

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# Outdoor Recreation Advisory Task Force Membership

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More to be Added Including MRPA and Municipal Leagues



## Operating principals

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- Access to the outdoors for the public is an essential service, especially during the summer. Goal of reopen plan for outdoors and recreation is to allow as much access as possible, in a safe way, with many opportunities for low risk activities.
- DPH guidelines regarding social distancing, gathering size, masks and cleaning protocols to be implemented as relevant across each activity
- Many of outdoors activities are also a major economic driver for communities throughout Massachusetts. Timing matters because many activities are seasonal
- Outdoor recreation guidance will apply to municipal, non-profit and business venues
- Strong coordination with childcare, retail, venue decisions







## Key Challenges

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- **Equity**
- **Significantly Increased Numbers of Users, Including Novices**
- **Conflict Between Users**
- **Seasonality of Recreation and Phasing of Reopening**
- **Staffing and Enforcement**
- **Economic Loss to Already Hard-Hit Communities**



# Guide for detailed implementation: critical enablers

	Detail	Feasibility
<b>DPH guidance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Resuming activities and reopening facilities and services highly dependent on guidance from DPH for each phase:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General social guidance</li> <li>Mandatory safety standards for businesses</li> <li>Summer programming decisions/childcare decisions</li> <li>Cleaning Protocols for Restrooms and Other Facilities</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	 <p>EEA and DPH to align directly and keep in close contact throughout phases</p>
<b>Enforcement and Staffing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limited resources to monitor and enforce adherence to guidelines throughout parks, beaches and other activities</li> <li>May be difficult to hire adequate lifeguards and other seasonal employees</li> </ul>	 <p>Focus on communication and "spot-check" where possible. Partnership with MSP and locals is important.</p>
<b>Supplies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Access to acquire adequate quantities supplies for personal protection for staff</li> <li>Ability to purchase substantial cleaning and sanitation supplies to implement enhanced cleaning protocols</li> </ul>	 <p>High confidence in ability to secure supplies</p>
<b>Communication and Education</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apps and online communication to alert users to any status updates or changes, such as closures due to crowding</li> <li>Education around best practices for users and staff</li> </ul>	 <p>Moderate confidence, but it will depend on a variety of businesses adopting best practices</p>



## Key Announcements: The Outdoors are Open

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### Beaches are Open for Passive and Active Activity

- ❖ Beaches, which have been open to transitory activity can open for passive activities such as swimming and sunbathing provided that certain protocols are followed to continue to ensure safe distancing

### Parks are Open with Increasing Amenities and Activities

- ❖ DCR parks are still open for enjoyment and additional low contact recreational opportunities will now be allowed

### Adventure Awaits

- ❖ Take advantage of the many seasonal outdoor & adventure recreational opportunities such as mountain biking, white-water rafting, adventure canopy tours and summer recreational opportunities

### Go Fish . . . Or Hunt, Or Boat

- ❖ Most fishing, hunting and boating opportunities are open and easy to do safely while socially distancing

### Outdoor Education and Nature Parks Open

- ❖ Botanical Gardens, Zoological Parks, Nature Centers, Outdoor Wildlife Reserves, and Outdoor Public Art Installations can open in a limited manner for enjoyment



# Beaches Open in Phase 1 for Passive Recreation

Specific Activity	Current State	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Transitory & Passive Recreation	Transitory Only	<p><b>Beaches open for Passive Recreation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Distance Requirements:</b> Min. of 12 ft distance between toweling &amp; beach blanket groups</li> <li>❖ <b>Capacity:</b> Can be limited by manager to achieve social distancing guidance</li> <li>❖ <b>Group Size Limit:</b> 10 people max. when seated</li> <li>❖ <b>Face Coverings Required:</b> masks worn at beaches and parking areas when social distancing is not possible in accordance with COVID-19 Executive Order No. 31</li> <li>❖ <b>Other Beach Activities:</b> Water sports allowed; No ball sports (volleyball, spike ball, Kadima, bocce)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Requirements Relaxed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Distance Requirements:</b> Min. of 6 ft. distance between toweling &amp; beach blanket groups</li> <li>❖ <b>Face Coverings &amp; Group Size Limits:</b> Could be modified based on updated guidelines</li> <li>❖ <b>Other Beach Activities:</b> Ball sports allowed on the beach</li> </ul>	<p><b>Requirements Relaxed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Social Distancing Requirements:</b> align minimum distance, group size and face covering requirements with DPH guidance</li> <li>❖ <b>Walking Access:</b> single-file accessways possibly eliminated</li> </ul>	Fully Open
Beach Services - Food Vendors, Trash Management, Restrooms, Showers, and Shuttle Service	Closed	<p><b>Beaches Services Open with Limitations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Food Service, Concessions &amp; Vending:</b> Conform to applicable food service and restaurant guidelines</li> <li>❖ <b>Restrooms &amp; Comfort Stations:</b> Open with social distancing standards for waiting lines and interior spaces, and CDC compliant cleaning protocol.</li> <li>❖ <b>Shuttle Services:</b> Closed</li> </ul>	<b>Additional Beach Services Open</b>	<b>Additional Beach Services Open</b>	Fully Open

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# Parks Remain Open with Increasing Activities & Amenities

Specific Activity	Current State	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Park Recreation	Open with capacity limits	<b>Passive Recreation Allowed</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>High-Use Trails:</b> Rules for high use trails (e.g., passing, one way)</li> <li>❖ <b>Dog-Walking protocols:</b> Rules for dog-walkers to ensure social distancing</li> <li>❖ <b>Face Coverings Required:</b> masks worn when social distancing cannot be maintained in accordance with COVID-19 Executive Order No. 31</li> </ul>	Similar rules apply	<b>Requirements Relaxed</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Group size and social distancing requirements adjusted</li> </ul>	Fully Open
Athletic Fields and Courts	Closed	<b>Limited Contact Sports Allowed</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Limited Contact Athletic Fields and Courts open for:</b> no-contact sports (tennis, catch, etc.) with bleachers, dug-outs closed. Only players from same household.</li> <li>❖ <b>No permits shall be issued for group gatherings</b></li> <li>❖ <b>No pick-up games, organized games or tournaments</b></li> <li>❖ <b>Sanitizing &amp; Cleaning Protocols:</b> Hand hygiene, no shared equipment, wipe down equipment</li> <li>❖ <b>Face Coverings Required:</b> masks worn when social distancing cannot be maintained in accordance with COVID-19 Executive Order No. 31</li> </ul>	<b>Expansion of Sports Allowed</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>All athletic Fields and Courts open for drills</b> (basketball, soccer, lacrosse, hockey, etc.) for groups under public health guidance, no games.</li> <li>❖ Continued sanitizing and cleaning protocols.</li> </ul>	<b>Requirements Relaxed</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Group size and social distancing requirements adjusted</li> </ul>	Fully Open
Trash and Restrooms	Closed	<b>Amenities are Open</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Trash Management:</b> Lidless trash where possible</li> <li>❖ <b>Cleaning Protocols:</b> CDC guidance 1X daily cleaning</li> <li>❖ <b>Social Distancing Protocols:</b> Social distancing standards for waiting lines and interior restroom spaces.</li> </ul>	Amenities remain open with similar rules	Amenities remain open	Fully Open
Picnic Areas and Grills	Closed	<b>Picnic Areas Open</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Households:</b> Only same household groups at tables</li> <li>❖ <b>Social Distancing:</b> 6 ft distancing + hygiene</li> </ul>	Similar rules apply	Similar rules apply	Fully Open





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Specific Activity	Current State	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Dog Parks	Dog parks closed; Dog walking allowed	<b>Dog Parks Open</b> ❖ <b>Leash Rules:</b> Dogs on trails should be leashed ❖ <b>Designated dog parks only:</b> Parking rules apply ❖ <b>Other Protocols:</b> Follow DPH guidance for social distancing/group size, users should clean hands & dogs should be under voice control ❖ <b>Face Coverings Required:</b> masks worn when social distancing cannot be maintained in accordance with COVID-19 Executive Order No. 31	Similar guidance	Similar Guidance	Fully Open
Playgrounds & Spray Decks	Closed	Closed	<b>Playgrounds &amp; Spray Decks Open</b> ❖ <b>Cleanliness Protocols:</b> Regularly cleaning protocols, hand sanitizer stations, personal hygiene and stay home if sick ❖ <b>Proper Supervision:</b> parents must supervise play ❖ <b>Other Requirements:</b> Childs play only, no toys or equipment allowed, facial coverings and social distancing ❖ <b>Face Coverings Required:</b> masks worn when social distancing cannot be maintained in accordance with COVID-19 Executive Order No. 31	Similar Guidance	Fully Open
Pools	Closed	Closed	<b>Pools Open (open June 26)</b> ❖ Specific protocols and guidelines to meet any DPH/ social distancing or cleaning requirements to be developed		Fully Open

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# Municipal Public Spaces Open with Increasing Activities & Amenities

Specific Activity	Current State	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Park Recreation	Open with capacity limits	<p><b>Passive Recreation Allowed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Trails:</b> Available with social distancing protocols. Additional guidance for high use trails (e.g., passing, one way).</li> <li>❖ <b>Cycling:</b> Guidance for riding alone or with members of single household, and social distancing</li> <li>❖ <b>Dog Walking/Parks:</b> Dogs on trails should be leashed, and dog parks open with guidance.</li> <li>❖ <b>Face Coverings Required:</b> masks worn when social distancing cannot be maintained in accordance with COVID-19 Executive Order No. 31</li> </ul>	<p><b>Similar rules apply</b></p>	<p><b>Requirements Relaxed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Group size and social distancing requirements adjusted</li> </ul>	<p><b>Fully Open</b></p>
Athletic Fields and Courts	Closed	<p><b>Limited Contact Sports Allowed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Athletic Fields and Courts:</b> Open for no-contact sports (tennis, catch, etc.,) with bleachers, dug-outs closed. Only users from same household.</li> <li>❖ <b>Athletic Contests/Competitions:</b> No pick-up games, organized games or tournaments.</li> <li>❖ <b>Sanitizing and Cleaning Protocols:</b> Hand hygiene, no shared equipment, wipe down equipment.</li> <li>❖ <b>Face Coverings Required:</b> masks worn when social distancing cannot be maintained in accordance with COVID-19 Executive Order No. 31.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Expansion of Sports Allowed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Athletic Fields and Courts:</b> Open for contact sports (basketball, soccer, lacrosse, hockey, etc.) for groups under public health guidance</li> </ul>	<p><b>Requirements Relaxed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Group size and social distancing requirements adjusted</li> </ul>	<p><b>Fully Open</b></p>
Playgrounds and Spray Decks	Closed	<p><b>Closed</b></p>	<p><b>Playgrounds and Spray Decks Open</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Cleanliness Protocols:</b> Regular cleaning protocols, hand sanitizer stations, personal hygiene and stay home if sick.</li> <li>❖ <b>Proper Supervision:</b> Parents must supervise play</li> <li>❖ <b>Face Coverings Required:</b> masks worn when social distancing cannot be maintained in accordance with COVID-19 Executive Order No. 31</li> <li>❖ <b>Other Requirements:</b> Childs play only, no toys or equipment allowed, facial coverings and social distancing</li> </ul>	<p><b>Similar Guidance</b></p>	<p><b>Fully Open</b></p>



# Municipal Public Spaces Open with Increasing Activities & Amenities

Specific Activity	Current State	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Public Pools	Closed	Closed	<p><b>Pools Open</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Specific protocols and guidelines to meet any DPH/ social distancing or cleaning requirements to be developed</li> </ul>		Fully Open
Recreational Day Camps	Closed	<p><b>No Recreational Camps for Children</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Virtual camps can operate.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Day Camps Open</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Day Camps Open:</b> Guidance on food service, co-contact on activities, and out-of-state staff.</li> <li>❖ <b>Activity Size:</b> Restrictions and limited opening for groups &lt;10.</li> <li>❖ <b>Pools and Beaches:</b> Open with limited capacity, physical distancing and no shared equipment.</li> <li>❖ <b>Onsite Amenities:</b> Playgrounds, Spray Decks, and Splash Pads available with restrictions.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Requirements Relaxed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Day Camps Open:</b> Limited activities with additional guidance for shared equipment. Out-of-state staff and campers with restrictions.</li> <li>❖ <b>Residential Camps Open:</b> Additional guidance and restrictions.</li> <li>❖ <b>Pools and Beaches:</b> Open with physical distancing and shared equipment after cleaning.</li> <li>❖ <b>Community Amenities:</b> Playgrounds, Spray Decks, and Splash Pads available with restrictions.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Requirements Relaxed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Day/Residential Camps:</b> Expanded use including the majority of activities with social distancing and additional guidance.</li> <li>❖ <b>Community Amenities:</b> Guidance on pools and beaches with shared equipment.</li> </ul>



# Adventure Awaits: Outdoor & Adventure Recreation

Specific Activity	Current State	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Seasonal Outdoor & Adventure Recreation	Some Seasonal Outdoor Recreation has not opened yet	<p><b>Seasonal Outdoor &amp; Adventure Recreation Opens</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Outdoor &amp; Adventure Recreation Protocols:</b> Protocols and best practices for <b>Mountain Biking &amp; Horseback Riding</b> to ensure adherence to CDC and DPH guidance</li> <li>❖ <b>Ski-Area Summer Operations Open:</b> Protocols will be developed for ski-lift access for mountain biking, adventure park and ziplining, and mountain bike parks</li> <li>❖ <b>White-water Rafting Opens June 13:</b> Guidance developed for white water rafting guides</li> <li>❖ <b>Face Coverings Required:</b> masks worn when social distancing cannot be maintained in accordance with COVID-19 Executive Order No. 31</li> </ul>	<p><b>Additional Opportunities Open</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Protocols for Additional Opportunities:</b> Guidance to be developed for safe operation of <b>tubing, one-day race events, and kayak &amp; canoe livery.</b></li> </ul>	<p><b>Requirements Relaxed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Group size and social distancing requirements adjusted</li> </ul>	<b>Fully Open</b>

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# Go Fish... or Hunt

Specific Activity	Current State	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Recreational Fishing	Open (seasonal)	<b>All Fishing is Open by Season</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Piers and Shoreline Fishing</li> <li>❖ Recreational Shell fishing</li> <li>❖ Recreational Lobstering</li> <li>❖ Recreational Fishing with Bow or Spear</li> <li>❖ Small Charters (up to 6)</li> </ul>	<b>Additional Activities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Fishing Derbies</li> <li>❖ Larger charters (up to 12)</li> </ul>	Remain the same	Remain the same
Recreational Hunting	Open (seasonal)	<b>All Hunting is Open By Season</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Individual Hunting</li> <li>❖ Group Hunting</li> <li>❖ Game Preserve Hunting</li> </ul>	Remain the same	Remain the same	Remain the same
Club Activities	Closed	<b>Open with Sport Specific Guidance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Indoor Shooting Range Practice</li> <li>❖ Outdoor Shooting Range Practice</li> <li>❖ Indoor Archery Range Practice</li> <li>❖ Outdoor Archery Range Practice</li> </ul>	Guidance adjusted based on social distancing and other relevant guidance	Guidance adjusted based on social distancing and other relevant guidance	Remain the same
Educational Activities	Closed	<b>Open with Sport Specific Guidance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Firearms Safety Courses Online When Possible with Limited Group Size</li> <li>❖ Hunter Education Courses Online When Possible with Limited Group Size</li> </ul>	Expand group size and indoor opportunities	Expand group size and indoor opportunities	Remain the same

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# Camping & Recreational Boating Opportunities Open

Specific Activity	Current State	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Camping	Closed	<p><b>Limited Opening of Campgrounds</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Camping only open where full hook-up &amp; self-containment available:</b> Self-contained RV's, trailers, motorhomes, rental units (cabins, yurts, safari tents) with personal bathrooms.</li> <li>❖ <b>Same household requirement:</b> only families or groups that have been self-quarantining together prior to arrival and that meeting occupancy standard for social distancing</li> <li>❖ <b>Face Coverings Required:</b> masks worn when social distancing cannot be maintained in accordance with COVID-19 Executive Order No. 31</li> <li>❖ <b>Cleaning Protocols:</b> Rental units must meet cleaning and sanitization protocols</li> <li>❖ <b>Laundry Facilities:</b> Open on a reservation basis with campground staff and cleaning on a daily basis</li> <li>❖ <b>Recreation and Visitor Buildings remain closed</b></li> </ul>	<p><b>Expansion of Camping Opportunities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Reduced Capacity Camping:</b> Open for reduced capacity camping based on a configuration that maintains social distancing protocols between campsites. Campsite occupancy limited to a maximum of 6 people.</li> <li>❖ <b>Bathrooms and Bath Houses Open:</b> campground managers set, post and monitor occupancy for bathrooms based on the ability to maintain 6 foot social distancing and frequency of cleaning.</li> </ul>	Requirements Relaxed	Fully Open
Recreational Boating	Open with limitations	<p><b>Recreational Boating remains Open with Additional Guidelines</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Yacht/Boat Clubs and Marinas</b> with guidance for the safe operation. No organized events/competitions/lessons allowed. Sanitization of common areas. Only persons from same household allowed on boats.</li> <li>❖ <b>Rental Boat Operations:</b> allowed with proper disinfection procedures between users</li> <li>❖ <b>Launch Operations Allowed:</b> 6 feet of distance required between captain and boat owner with facial coverings to be worn.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Expansion of Boating Opportunities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ See Hunting &amp; Fishing Guidance for Charter/For-Hire Vessels</li> </ul>	Requirements Relaxed	Fully Open



# Outdoor Education & Youth Programming Opportunities

Specific Activity	Current State	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Zoological Parks, Nature Centers, Botanical Gardens, Outdoor Wildlife Reserves, and Outdoor Public Art	Closed	<p><b>Outdoor Education Facilities Open</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Outdoor Areas only:</b> with the exception of restroom facilities which are open, visitors are limited to outdoor park areas.</li> <li>❖ <b>Visitor Guidelines:</b> facial coverings and management of social distancing required</li> <li>❖ <b>Capacity &amp; Safety:</b> controlled admission &amp; timed tickets to manage capacity, separate entrances &amp; exits, and one-way walking paths, no shared equipment/no shared touch exhibits</li> <li>❖ <b>Retail:</b> Gift shops and retail must comply with retail guidance</li> </ul>	<p><b>Guidelines Adjusted</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Indoor Areas Open:</b> proper social distancing and capacity management protocols</li> <li>❖ <b>Visitor Guidelines:</b> Adjust guidance for social distancing protocols and group sizes</li> <li>❖ <b>Safety:</b> No touch exhibits/shared equipment</li> </ul>	<p><b>Allowable Activities Expand and Guidelines Adjusted</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Certain Exhibits Open and Visitor Guidelines adjusted to meet all social distancing and other relevant protocols</li> </ul>	Fully Open
Education, Events & Programming	Closed	<p><b>Outdoor Public Education and Programming Opens</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Solo and self-guided recreational opportunities</b> are open.</li> <li>❖ <b>No youth programming allowed</b></li> <li>❖ <b>Group outdoor education and programming</b> that can be limited in size to 10 and follow social distancing and face covering protocols is allowed</li> <li>❖ Protocols for a variety of specific educational programming &amp; activities</li> <li>❖ <b>No outdoor performance events</b> such as live music, outdoor theater, or other group events.</li> <li>❖ <b>Face Coverings Required:</b> masks worn when social distancing cannot be maintained in accordance with COVID-19 Executive Order No. 31</li> </ul>	<p><b>Certain Outdoor Performances and Events Open</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Youth programming allowed with group size and distancing requirements</b></li> <li>❖ <b>Distance Requirements:</b> Min. of 6 ft. distance between groups. Performers/staff/crew must abide by social distancing requirements</li> <li>❖ <b>Face Coverings &amp; Group Size Limits:</b> Could be modified based on updated guidelines</li> </ul>	<p><b>Allowable Activities Expand</b></p>	Fully Open

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# Youth Sports

Specific Activity	Current State	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Indoor	Closed	<p><b>Closed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Facilities Closed</b> to the public but operators are allowed to prepare their respective facilities and train staff to achieve compliance with Phase 2</li> </ul>	<p><b>Facilities Open</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Facilities Open</b> while adhering to DPH assemblage/capacity guidance; 25 participants (including players and coaches) per playing surface.</li> <li>❖ <b>Limited sports activity</b> allowed; this does NOT include games and tournaments.</li> <li>❖ <b>Spectators limited</b> to parents/guardians and must socially distance.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Under Development - Expansion of Activity</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Facilities Remain Open</b> while adhering to DPH assemblage/capacity guidance</li> </ul>	<p><b>Under Development</b></p>
Outdoor	Closed	<p><b>Closed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Facilities Closed</b> to the public for active recreation but operators are allowed to prepare their respective facilities and train staff to achieve compliance with Phase 2.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Facilities Open</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Facilities Open</b> while adhering to DPH assemblage/capacity guidance; 25 participants (including players and coaches) per playing surface.</li> <li>❖ <b>Limited sports activity</b> allowed; this does NOT include games and tournaments.</li> <li>❖ <b>Spectators limited</b> to parents/guardians and must socially distance.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Under Development - Expansion of Activity</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Facilities Remain Open</b> while adhering to DPH assemblage/capacity guidance</li> </ul>	<p><b>Under Development</b></p>

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# Other States Outdoor Recreation

States looked at: Vermont, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New York, California, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina, Illinois, Minnesota

## State Parks Statewide:

CT, NY, VT, ME, NH, RI, CA, NJ, MD, DE, PA, VA, NC, IL, MN: some/most open for day use, with restrictions (including parking)

## Beaches:

NY, ME, CT, CA, NJ, MD, DE, VA, NC: Some beaches open with restrictions (i.e. parking, transitory activities)

NH, VT, RI, PA, IL, MN: Closed for now

## Camping:

NH: planning to open in May with restrictions

VT, RI, ME, NY, CT, CA, NJ, DE, VA, NC, IL, MN: Closed through at least May/June for recreational camping

PA: Private campgrounds opened May 1<sup>st</sup>, state campgrounds closed until at least May 14<sup>th</sup>

MD: Opened May 7<sup>th</sup>

## Playgrounds:

NY, RI, CT, VT, NH, CA, NJ, DE, PA, VA, NC, IL: Closed

ME, MD, MN: Open/opening soon (MD/MN: local jurisdictions may choose to keep them closed)

## Low-Contact Outdoor Activities:

NH, NY, ME: Golf open

VT, MD, CA: Golf open, began opening some athletic courts (i.e. tennis, handball); CA began offering rentals (i.e. bikes, kayaks)

NJ: Golf open, organized activities closed (i.e., picnics, team sports), some tennis courts open

PA, IL, MN, NC, MD: Golf open, fishing and boating allowed, some tennis courts open