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## UPDATED IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT AMENDED Executive Order 2020-09

July 01, 2020

To All Members of The American Legion, Department of Florida

**Subject:** [Amended Executive Order 20-09, July 1, 2020](#)

The Secretary of the State of Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation's (DBPR) Executive Order which came out last Friday suspending the sale of Alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises of licensed establishments was amended today.

First, I would like to thank all of the Department, District and Post Leadership that obeyed the Executive Order, as difficult as it was that stopped the sale of alcoholic beverages at their Post homes. We have tirelessly been speaking with not only the Governor's office but both the office of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation and the Office of Alcohol, Beverage and Tobacco and it appears that it might have had some impact.

**The good news is that our Posts that have liquor licenses and are licensed to offer food service can be open with indoor capacity at 50% and proper social distancing. Please read below for further details.**

Today, the Secretary of Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation Halsey Beshears issued [Amended Executive Order 2020-09](#) with immediate effect.

You can download the entire Amended Executive order by clicking on the button below.

The Amended Executive Order ordered the following:

- 1) Vendors licensed to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises, but not licensed to offer food service, shall suspend sales of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises.
- 2) Vendors licensed to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises, and also licensed to offer food service, may continue to operate

as restaurants in accordance with Executive Orders 20-68, 20-71, 20-112 and 20-139, by

- Limiting indoor capacity to 50% of seating occupancy, excluding employees;
- Serving food and beverages for on-premises consumption to customers seated at tables or bar counters, with appropriate social distancing; and
- **Screening employees in accordance with the criteria set forth in [Executive Order 20-68, Section 3\(C\)](#).**

3) Vendors licensed to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises may continue to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption off the premises in accordance with Executive Order 20-71, Sections I and 2.

4) Nothing in this Emergency Order permits nightclubs to operate.

5) This Emergency Order shall take effect on the date of its filing.

## AMENDED DBPR Executive Order 2020-09

In the Amended Executive Order, establishments that are open are required to screen employees with the criteria as set forth in [Executive Order 20-68, Section 3\(C\)](#). That section is important for all Posts to understand and it states the following:

### Section 3. Restaurants

C. The Department of Business and Professional Regulation shall ensure all restaurants implement employee screening and prohibit any employee from entering the restaurant premises if they meet any of the criteria listed below:

1. Any person infected with COVID-19 who has not had two consecutive negative test results separated by 24 hours;
2. Any person showing, presenting signs or symptoms of, or disclosing the presence of a respiratory infection, including cough, fever, shortness of breath or sore throat;
3. Any person who has been in contact with any person(s) known to be infected with COVID-19, who has not yet tested negative for COVID-19 within the past 14 days;
4. Any person who traveled through any airport within the past 14 days; or
5. Any person who traveled on a cruise ship within the past 14 days.

## Executive Order 20-68

Florida Dept of Business and Professional Regulation  
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I know these are very trying times, please take care of yourselves and your family. Please take this opportunity to check on your family members and fellow American Legion Family members to see if they need anything. Should you need any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact your Post, District or Department Leadership. We are a family and we need to stand together.

Again, I want to thank all of you for adhering to the Executive Orders. This has worked out to the best for all of our Posts and I want to remind you all to please be safe out there and have a great 4th of July.

For God and Country,



William "Rick" Johnson, Commander  
The American Legion  
Department of Florida

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## Florida Division of Emergency Management

The Division of Emergency Management plans for and responds to both natural and man-made disasters. These range from floods and hurricanes to incidents involving hazardous materials or nuclear power. The division prepares and implements a statewide Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, and routinely conducts extensive exercises to test state and county emergency response capabilities.

The division is the state's liaison with federal and local agencies on emergencies of all kinds. Division staff members provide technical assistance to local governments as they prepare emergency plans and procedures. They also conduct emergency operations training for state and local governmental agencies.



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