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San Benito County moves back to Tier 1-Purple-Widespread

Due to the rising number of COVID-19 cases locally and throughout the state, San Benito County is one of 28 counties throughout California that has been moved back into the purple tier. Business need to have new restrictions in place no later than Tuesday, November 17, 2020.

San Benito County Specific Data:

11/4/20 to 11/10/20 15.8 New COVID-19 cases per day per 100k 15.8 Adjusted case rate for tier assignment 6.3% Positivity rate

<u>Sectors</u>	Widespread Tier 1- Purple
Gatherings	Outdoor gatherings only with modifications
	Max 3 households
Gyms and Fitness Centers (including studio sports like	Outdoor Only with modifications
Martial Arts, Kickboxing, Cheerleading, Gymnastics, Dance)	
Places of Worship	Outdoor Only with modifications
Movie Theaters	Outdoor Only with modifications
Restaurants	Outdoor Only with modifications
All Retail	Open Indoors with modifications
(including critical infrastructure, except standalone grocers)	Max 25% capacity

<u>Understand which activities and businesses are open in the four tiers</u> (PDF)

Schools:

Schools that have reopened for in-person instruction while the county was in Tier 2-Red-Substantial can remain open while in Tier 1-Purple-Widespread. If the county is in purple tier on the day a school plans to reopen for in-person instruction, the school must wait until it is eligible again.

California Department of Public Health Update to Guidance for the Use of Face Coverings:

People in California must wear face coverings when they are outside of the home, unless one of the exemptions below applies.

Individuals are exempt from wearing face coverings in the following specific settings:

- Persons in a car alone or solely with members of their own household.
- Persons who are working in an office or in a room alone.
- Persons who are actively eating or drinking provided that they are able to maintain a distance of at least six feet away from persons who are not members of the same household or residence.
- Persons who are outdoors and maintaining at least 6 feet of social distancing from others not in their household. Such persons must have a face covering with them at all times and must put it on if they are within 6 feet of others who are not in their household.
- Persons who are obtaining a service involving the nose or face for which temporary removal of the face covering is necessary to perform the service.
- Workers who are required to wear respiratory protection.
- Persons who are specifically exempted from wearing face coverings by other CDPH guidance.

The following individuals are exempt from wearing face coverings at all times:

- Persons younger than two years old. These very young children must not wear a face covering because of the risk of suffocation.
- Persons with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a face covering. This includes persons with a medical condition for whom wearing a face covering could obstruct breathing or who are unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove a face covering without assistance. Such conditions are rare.
- Persons who are hearing impaired, or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.
- Persons for whom wearing a face covering would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines.

A complete list of Industry Guidance can be found at https://covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance/
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