

NYS COVID-19 Cluster Zones

(Effective Friday, October 9 via Executive Order 202.68)

Red zone restrictions:

- All non-essential gatherings of any size cannot take place.
- All non-essential businesses must reduce the in-person workforce by 100%.
- All houses of worship must reduce their capacity to the **lesser of** 25% of maximum occupancy or 10 people.
- All restaurants or taverns must close in-person service but may remain open for takeout or delivery.
- All schools must go to remote learning.

Orange Zone restrictions:

- All non-essential gatherings must be limited to 10 people.
- Some non-essential businesses may reopen, but others, including gyms, fitness centers or classes, barbers, hair salons, spas, tattoo or piercing parlors, nail technicians and nail salons, cosmetologists, estheticians, the provision of laser hair removal and electrolysis, and all other personal care services, must reduce their in-person workforce by 100%.
- All houses of worship must reduce their capacity to the **lesser of** 35% of maximum occupancy or 25 people.
- All restaurants or taverns must close indoor dining. Outdoor dining is allowed, but every table must be limited to four people. Takeout and delivery may still operate.
- All schools must go to remote learning.

Yellow zones restrictions:

- All non-essential gatherings must be limited to 25 people.
- Some non-essential businesses may reopen, but others, including gyms, fitness centers or classes, barbers, hair salons, spas, tattoo or piercing parlors, nail technicians and nail salons, cosmetologists, estheticians, the provision of laser hair removal and electrolysis, and all other personal care services, must reduce the in-person workforce by 100%.
- All houses of worship must reduce their capacity to 50% of maximum occupancy.
- Indoor and outdoor dining are allowed, but every table must be limited to four people. Takeout and delivery may still operate.
- Schools that reopen for in-person learning must follow to be issued guidance from the Department of Health regarding the mandatory testing of students and school personnel.

A Cluster Zone designation will remain in effect for at least 14 days. Cluster Zone maps can be found at <https://covidhotspotlookup.health.ny.gov/#/home>, then search by address.

Statewide Penalties:

- \$1,000 individual fine for not wearing facemask in public, *if* municipality can retain the fine.
- \$15,000 fine for organizing and/or promoting a non-essential gathering

Non-essential gatherings are defined by Executive Order 202.14 as “parties, celebrations, games, meetings or other social events.”