

Anne Arundel County Department of Health  
**Revised COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Guidance for  
Barber Shops & Beauty Salons at Stage 1 Recovery**

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This guidance is based on current information known about the COVID-19 (Coronavirus). The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the AACO DOH will provide updated guidance as needed and as additional information becomes available. Please continue to check the [CDC](#) and the [AACO DOH](#) websites routinely for updated guidance.

This guidance is intended for Barber Shops and Beauty Salons in Anne Arundel County based meeting social distance, large gatherings and face mask requirements. These requirements will stay in effect until further notice.

**Guidance for Barber Shops and Beauty Salons During COVID19 Social Distancing Limitations**

Effective May 29, 2020 at 5:00 p.m., Barber Shops and Beauty Salons are allowed to operate only under the following circumstances:

- Services can only be provided by appointment, no walk in services;
- Customers cannot wait inside the shop. If you wait outside the shop, you must be six feet from any other people waiting. Shop attendant will text you making you aware your appointment is now ready;
- Suggest customers bring their individual towel to sneeze into in case of the need to sneeze;
- Screening for COVID-19 symptoms must be provided prior to performing services; sick patrons should not enter the premise;
- Salon chairs for services must be at least six (6') apart when occupied for services OR a partition should be installed in-between chairs that are less than six (6') apart.;
- Maximum occupancy will be based on 100 square foot per person. Example a 2,000 square foot salon can have twenty (20) people in the salon at one time;
- Since COVID-19 is airborne consider eliminating blow drying at this time;
- Assure HVAC systems are in proper working order and filters are changed on a regular basis; Doors should not be propped open to allow excessive air circulation;
- Both the customer and Barber/Salon staff must wear face coverings, in accordance with Executive Order of The Governor No. 20-04-15-01, dated April 15, 2020, except to the extent that a Face Covering on the customer would make it impossible for services to be performed;
- Allow sufficient time in between appointments for proper disinfection;
- After each customer, the Barber/Salon must clean and disinfect the area where services were performed. Wear disposable gloves when cleaning and disinfecting surfaces. Use of an approved disinfectant is required. Properly wash your hands after each customer;
- At the end of a shift all tools and utensils must be properly disinfected; Have multiple combs and tools available to be readily used;

- At the end of shifts all towels, gowns and aprons should be washed in the warmest water recommended for the fabric;
- When at all possible promote payment by credit/debit card, if paper money must be handled limit hand to hand touch by having the customer place the money on the counter. Always wash your hands after touching money;
- Customers are not allowed to linger in the salon. Once services are completed, please have customers leave the salon;
- The Barber/Salon must obtain telephone contact information for each customer. If any staff of the Barber/Salon test positive for COVID-19, the Barber/Salon must promptly notify all customers who received services in the 14 day period immediately preceding the date on which the test results are positive; Contact the Department of Health so proper contact tracing can be performed limiting more risk to others;
- Have hand sanitizer readily available for employees and customers;
- It is each customer and salon employees personal responsibility to protect others from any risk of infection;

Additional Information:

**CDC Resources**

- [What you need to know about coronavirus disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions and Answers](#)
- [What to do if you are sick with COVID-19](#)
- [Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection Recommendations](#)