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These guidelines are intended for application in non-health care related places of employment. The foundation guidelines for businesses and employers remains the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)'s Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers](#) to Plan and Respond to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

All organizations have to determine how best to minimize the spread of COVID-19 in the workplace as well as in their community. In order to reopen and successfully remain open for business, everyone individually and collectively must actively participate in the core recommendations:

1. Self-isolation – if you are sick, stay home,
2. Practice social distancing of at least six feet distance to the greatest extent possible,
3. Wash hands frequently (20 seconds with soap and water or use of a sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol),
4. Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects (e.g., keyboards, phones) and surfaces (e.g., handrails, workstations, sinks) or remove unnecessary frequently touched surfaces (e.g., trash can lids),
5. Avoid touching of eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands,
6. Strongly consider wearing a cloth face covering when in public (do not use on children under two years old, people with difficulty breathing, or people who cannot remove the mask themselves)
7. Cover mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze and throw used tissues away immediately after use,
8. Avoid using other employees' phones, desks, offices or other work tools and equipment when possible, or disinfect them before and after use,
9. Minimize the use of soft surfaces like cloth covered chairs or area rugs that are more difficult to clean or disinfect. Guidelines Specifically for Public Swimming Pools

### **Guidelines Specifically for South Carolina Charitable Bingos,**

Prepared by the South Carolina Bingo Association

**I. Applicability:** These Guidelines will apply to all South Carolina charitable bingos.

**II. Charitable Bingos may resume operations if they meet all the following requirements:**

**a. Social Distancing Measures.**

- i. Social distancing of at least six feet between any employees or patrons who are not members of the same household should be maintained.

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- ii. Seating should be limited to ensure a minimum of two open seats between each non-household customer or to otherwise provide for at least six feet between non-household members.
- iii. Bingo paper cards must be disposed of and electronic bingo devices must be sanitized between users. Bingo daubers may not be shared between non-household members.
- iv. It is recommended that cloth face coverings be worn by all patrons. Local face mask ordinances must be followed.
- v. No person who is exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms or who has knowingly been in contact with a suspected positive case of COVID-19 within the past 14 days should be permitted entry to any bingo.
- vi. No person should enter a bingo hall within 72 hours of exhibiting a fever.

**b. Hygiene and Sanitation Protocols:**

- i. Charitable bingos must provide handwashing capability or hand sanitizer.
- ii. Water fountains and vending machines must be turned off and marked inoperable.
- iii. Charitable Bingos must ensure frequent handwashing by employees, and an adequate supply of soap and/or hand sanitizer, disinfectant, and paper towels must be available for patrons and employees.
- iv. Charitable bingos must provide for hourly touch-point sanitization (e.g., on all workstations, equipment, screens, doorknobs, restrooms, ATMs etc.) throughout work site.

**c. Staffing/Operations:**

- i. Charitable bingos must conduct pre-shift staff meetings on updated requirements for operations.
- ii. Charitable bingos must establish a COVID-19 Mitigation Plan addressing practices and protocols to protect staff and the public.
- iii. Entryway signage must notify the public of the business's COVID-19 Mitigation Plan and state clearly that any person with symptoms

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consistent with COVID-19 may not enter the premises.

- iv. The charitable bingo is responsible for supplying personal protective equipment (face masks and gloves) and sanitation supplies to its employees and providing training for employees regarding these requirements and the COVID-19 Mitigation Plan.
- v. Employees displaying symptoms of COVID-19 may not report to work.
- vi. No employee may report to the work site within 72 hours of exhibiting a fever.
- vii. Charitable bingos should establish a plan for employees getting ill and a return-to-work plan following CDC guidance, which can be found online at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html>.

**d. Cleaning and Disinfecting:**

- i. Cleaning and disinfecting must be conducted in compliance with CDC protocols weekly or, in lieu of performing the CDC cleaning and disinfecting, the business may shut down for a period of at least 72 consecutive hours per week to allow for natural deactivation of the virus, followed by site personnel performing a comprehensive disinfection of all common surfaces.
- ii. When an active employee is identified as being COVID-19 positive by testing, CDC cleaning and disinfecting must be performed as soon after the confirmation of a positive test as practical. In lieu of performing CDC cleaning and disinfecting, businesses may shut down for a period of at least 72 consecutive hours to allow for natural deactivation of the virus, followed by site personnel performing a comprehensive disinfection of all common surfaces.
- iii. CDC protocols can be found online at:  
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html>.  
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html>.

**III. Charitable bingos are encouraged to follow additional best practices:**

- a. Cash is allowed but bingo hall recommended to move to and promote cashless and

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- receipt-less transactions. Hand sanitizer should be immediately available for those exchanging cash to utilize.
- b. Allow for customers to enter and exit through different entries using one-way traffic, where reasonably feasible.
  - c. Charitable bingos are allowed to take reservations.
  - d. Recommend having one additional employee onsite during open hours to clean and sanitize common areas. For example: restrooms, door handles, work stations, etc.

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