

KENTUCKY BOARD OF BARBERING

Guidelines for Reopening Barbershops

Licensed barbershops should be able to mitigate the threat of communicable disease spread by adjusting their schedules and physical environments to enable CDC social distancing recommendations and by following the infection control procedures required by the sanitation requirements outlined by 201 KAR 14:085 of the Kentucky Barber Administrative Regulations. In addition, infection control reminders will be issued to our licensees, and the following guidelines shall be put into place by every barber shop upon reopening:

1. Barber stations/chairs (active) must be spaced at least 6 feet apart.
2. Barbers will check and record their temperature every day before performing any services on customers. Anyone with a temperature above 99 degrees Fahrenheit should stay home and not perform services until they have no fever and no evidence of COVID-19 symptoms.
3. Per CDC guidelines, no more than a total of 10 people should be inside the shop at one time.
4. No waiting areas. Customers should schedule by appointment or walk-ins must wait outside or in their vehicle.
5. Stagger work schedules to limit the number of people inside shops at one time per CDC guidelines.
6. Customers must enter the barbershop wearing a cloth face covering* and wear it for the duration of service to the extent possible.
7. Customers must be provided with hand sanitizer to use before being seated for services.
8. Customers must be screened before services are performed by asking the following questions:
 - a. Have you traveled outside our county or state in the past 14 days?
 - b. Have you experienced any COVID-19 symptoms (fever, cough, trouble breathing) in the past 14 days?
 - c. Are you living with anyone who is sick or quarantined?

Recommend a 14-day waiting period to customers answering “yes” to any of the questions.

9. Barbers must wear a cloth face covering* while performing services on customers.
10. Per sanitation requirements in 201 KAR 14:085, barbers must wash their hands both before and after performing services on a customer. Barbers who choose to wear gloves must change gloves after every customer, making sure to wash their hands after removing used gloves and putting on fresh gloves.
11. A freshly laundered cape or a disposable cape must be used for each client. Disposable capes can be ordered from supply houses or can be made out of items such as plastic garbage bags, plastic table coverings, etc.
12. A paper towel or tissue should be used to remove residual hair clippings instead of a neck brush/duster.
13. Sweep and dispose of hair on floor after each customer.
14. Barber chairs must be disinfected with EPA-registered disinfectant after each customer.
15. Clean and disinfect all implements, tools, and surfaces per sanitation requirements in 201 KAR 14:085.

The Kentucky Board of Barbering employs inspectors who will check for compliance on these guidelines during inspections and in response to complaints of non-compliance.

*<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>