

LATEST UPDATE: Business Closure List, June 2

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UPDATE June 2: Pennsylvania has again updated its FAQ sheet concerning "life-sustaining" businesses. [You can read the full document here.](#) It has also updated the list of life-sustaining businesses. [You can read the full list here.](#)

Pennsylvania has again updated the list of life-sustaining and non-life-sustaining businesses in the state.

The distinction is important as Gov. Tom Wolf last week has ordered all non-life-sustaining business to close their physical offices to stop the spread of the COVID-19.

The latest changes include gun dealers, wood product manufacturers and telecom resellers being moved into the life-sustaining category.

The enforcement of this closure began Monday, and the state police reported already [fining businesses](#) that have violated the closure order.

Businesses within the closure order may continue to operate through virtual or telework only, to the extent feasible, so long as social distancing practices are maintained. In extenuating circumstances, special exemptions will be granted to businesses that are supplying or servicing health care providers. The state has released a [copy of the waiver form](#) for businesses who believe they need to stay open.

Life-sustaining businesses may remain open but must follow strict social distancing practices and other mitigation measures defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Enforcement for non-compliance with the order includes criminal charges, citations, fines or license suspensions. State and local officials will be enforcing the closure order, including Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, the Department of Health, the Department of Agriculture and the Pennsylvania State Police. The administration also said organizations that fail or refuse to comply with the governor's orders will forfeit their ability to receive any applicable disaster relief and/or may be subject to other appropriate administrative action.

Barley Snyder's physical offices will remain closed in accordance with the governor's order. However, our professionals will be working from home and remain ready to assist you. If you have questions or concerns, please [contact any of our attorneys.](#)

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