

Responsible RestartOhio

Manufacturing, Distribution & Construction



Requirements

Manufacturing, distribution, and construction businesses must follow Ohio mandates for social distancing, masking, congregating, and responding to confirmed cases of COVID-19 as outlined in the [Director's Order for Social Distancing, Facial Coverings and Non-Congregating](#). Guidance on the order is available at the [Responsible Restart Ohio: Social Distancing, Masking, and Congregating page](#), available at coronavirus.ohio.gov.

Manufacturing, distribution, and construction businesses must follow all relevant mandates in the order, including:

- **Masks must be worn at all times; some exceptions:**
 - The requirement does not apply where prohibited by law or regulation, in violation of documented industry standards, or in violation of a business's documented safety policies.
 - Exempt is anyone in an enclosed space, such as an office; or in open space in which people are separated by at least 6 feet. (This exemption does not apply in spaces intended to be used or accessed by the public).
 - Exempt are industrial or manufacturing facilities where employees are separated by at least 6 feet or by a barrier in a manufacturing line or work area.

Recommendations

Below are additional recommended best practices for manufacturing, distribution, and construction businesses.

Employees

- Stagger or limit arrivals of employees and guests.
- Have employees work from home whenever possible.

Shift Pattern

- Change shift patterns (e.g., fewer shifts).
- Stagger lunch and break times.
- Split into sub-teams, limit contact across sub-teams.
- Reduce pace to allow fewer employees per line.

Physical Spaces

- Close cafeteria and gathering spaces if possible, or regulate maximum number of people in cafeterias/common spaces.
- Establish maximum capacity.
- Conduct regular disinfection of entire facility.