



# Roadmap to Recovery for Nevada

## Barber Shops and Barber Schools



### Mandatory\*

#### Prepare to Reopen

1. Evaluate the layout of the Barber Shop or Barber School:
  - a. Use every other chair/station or arrange seating at least 6 feet apart to create separation.
2. Establish New Policies and Schedule:
  - a. Stagger employee's schedules to minimize the risk of overcrowding.
  - b. Stagger theory/lab/clinic instructional delivery schedules to facilitate smaller groups.
  - c. Require appointment scheduling and/or require walk-ins to wait outside.
  - d. Alert and train staff about new policies and procedures.
  - e. Alert students and clients about new policies and procedures.
  - f. Require barbers to wear a mask, require clients to wear a mask when possible.
  - g. Require a freshly laundered or disposable chair cloth (cape) to be used for each client. Buy either plastic capes which can be disinfected on site or disposable plastic chair cloths.
3. Communication:
  - a. Put any new policies and procedures for staff, students, and clients in writing.
4. Products and Supplies:
  - a. Order personal protection equipment, primarily masks and client capes.
  - b. Maintain a sufficient amount of cleaning and disinfecting products.
  - c. Maintain a sufficient number of tools and implements to always have clean items available.
  - d. Maintain inventory control of supplies and materials to ensure availability when needed.

#### Prior to Reopening

1. Reception Area:
  - a. Remove all magazines and non-essential items in the waiting area that cannot be disinfected.
  - b. Clean and disinfect all hard, non-porous surfaces. Anything that is touched must be cleaned and disinfected.
  - c. Keep any products clean and dust free.
  - d. Place a sign in the window to notify clients that you are practicing proper infection control. Post informational signs regarding social distancing, facial coverings and what to do if symptomatic
2. Work Stations:
  - a. Clean and disinfect station.
  - b. Clean and disinfect all tools and implements and store in a closed, clean drawer or cabinet.
  - c. Clean and disinfect all electrical implements used in services.
  - d. Clean and disinfect chair and headrest.
  - e. Ensure that single use items are new.
3. Restrooms:
  - a. Clean and disinfect everything.
  - b. Remove all products that do not belong in restroom. Do not use the restroom as a storage room.
4. Laundry:
  - a. Any linens that were left in the salon prior to closure should be laundered.
  - b. Launder all linens in hot water and dry on high heat.
  - c. All linens should be stored in a clean cabinet.
5. Sinks:
  - a. Clean and disinfect all sinks, including handles, hoses, and spray nozzles.

## Opening of Barber Shops & Barber Schools

1. Practical Changes:
  - a. Stagger appointments or have clients wait in their car until you are ready for them.
  - b. Follow the 6 feet social distancing rule. This will allow for the business to accommodate a maximum 10 people for every 250 square feet. You must practice social distancing of 6 feet except for when a barber is working on a client.
  - c. Optional to take clients temperature. Anything over 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit, you should refuse service.
  - d. Before working on a client, you should ask the following questions:
    - i. Have you traveled outside the country or state in the last 14 days?
    - ii. Have you experienced any COVID-19 symptoms (e.g. fever, cough, or trouble breathing) in the last 14 days?
    - iii. Recommend a 14-day waiting period to clients answering "yes" to any question.
  - e. If any staff is experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms (e.g. fever, cough, or trouble breathing), they should not be at work for a minimum 14-day period.
  - f. For the time being, you should not allow any magazines, candy dishes, coffee pots, etc. in the barber shop/barber school.
  - g. If possible, encourage clients to use a method of payment that does not require touch. If you are using any form of payment that requires touch, you must sanitize between every use.
  - h. You must wash your hands before and after each client. If gloves are worn, they must be discarded after each client.
  - i. Have clients wash their hands upon entering barber shop/barber school or use hand sanitizer.
  - j. Wear a mask (facial covering) while in the barber shop/barber school. Clients should also be asked to wear one when they can.
  - k. Sanitize and disinfect all surfaces at the start of the day and every 1-2 hours depending on traffic (e.g. door handles, countertops, registers, phones, etc.).
  - l. Sanitize and disinfect the chair after each client.
  - m. Clean chair cloth (cape) for each client. Consider using disposable capes, and discard after each client. If cape is able to be disinfected, you must rotate capes and disinfect after each client.
  - n. Daily deep disinfection of high contact surfaces (e.g. door handles, light switches, seats, railings, cabinetry handles, appliance handles, toilets, countertops, phones, tables, etc.).
  - o. Do not shake hands. There are safer ways to welcome a client in.
2. Disinfectants/PPE:
  - a. Disinfectants must be [EPA](#)-registered and labeled as bactericidal, virucidal, and fungicidal.
  - b. There is a list of approved disinfectants on the EPA website.
  - c. The first step to disinfection is sanitizing. The proper way to sanitize is wash with soap and water, chemical cleaners, wipes, etc. When you have done that, disinfect with an EPA approved disinfectant. Please follow manufacturer's directions for proper disinfectants. Most of the immersion or sprays are 10-minute kill time, where wipes are usually 2-4 minutes. Refer to manufacturer's directions.
  - d. Barbicide should be changed every day or more, if it becomes contaminated. The correct way to mix it is ¼ cup or 2 ounces concentrate to 4 cups or 32 ounces water. Implements must stay submerged for a minimum of 10 minutes.
3. Hand Hygiene:
  - a. Wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds before and after every client.
  - b. Require regular handwashing upon arrival, before meals and breaks, after using the restroom, blowing nose and before returning home.
4. Tracking COVID-19:
  - a. In the course of contact with clients, if the barber should hear about anyone in their barber shop/barber school with COVID-19 symptoms, they should contact the Nevada Health Department.
5. Resources:
  - a. Nevada State Barber's Health and Sanitation Board
  - b. EPA
  - c. CDC
  - d. Barbicide
  - e. Southern Nevada Health District
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