

Port and BCDC Requirements and Standards

Port and BCDC staff have worked together to provide these requirements and standards to facilitate review and approval of COVID-19 outdoor dining proposals within BCDC's permit jurisdiction:

- Outdoor dining furniture is limited to tables, chairs/seating, umbrellas and stanchions or similar to define dining area boundary.
- Dining furniture must be portable and temporary, moved indoors or out of public access areas when business is closed.
- Limit tables directly adjacent to water. Encroachment in bayside public access areas will be authorized only where landside alternatives (parking areas and lanes, sidewalks, etc.) are not viable options.
- If tables are adjacent to water, discourage single-use items; If single-use items then provide a debris/litter solution.
- No heaters, tents or enclosures will be approved at this time.
- Outdoor dining areas should be adjacent to restaurant but avoid locating in public access areas if possible.
- Use parking areas or non-public access areas if possible and feasible with your operations.
- Do not close off public access area in entirety; place dining in locations that do not block access to public access or open spaces.
- Maintain physical and visual connectivity to waterfront park and public access destinations.
- Allow sufficient circulation to support public access by non-customers. The City's Shared Spaces program sets potential minimum requirements but proposals in high traffic locations will require wider walkways (e.g. Embarcadero Promenade).
- Along the Embarcadero Promenade seek to maintain 16 feet of public pathway clear of outdoor dining areas where possible; any proposals that provide less than 16 feet are subject to adjustment by the Port and/or BCDC.
- Circulation routes must not block curb ramps, doors, driveways, fire infrastructure/escapes and cannot use curb/street if traffic lane, bus stop, or red/blue curb.
- Provide measured width of pathway/public access adjacent to the dining area boundary, which will be reviewed by Port and BCDC.
- Create ground marking or other visible measures to define dining areas vs. public access, customer queuing and social distance indicators/signage
- The COVID restaurant capacity (combined interior and exterior) may not exceed pre-COVID capacity.
- Post-opening Reporting: Operators must provide site photos of expanded service areas within the first week of reopening. The Port will submit to BCDC any complaints received regarding expanded service areas for locations within BCDC jurisdiction.

Site plan shall show boundary of outdoor dining space, and a measurement of the width of sidewalk or adjacent public space area that provides reasonable clear pathway for public (non-customers) to safely pass along the waterfront. On that site plan please include the following:

- Location and footprint/boundary of proposed dining area noting the square footage
- Indicate any known public access areas affected
- Location of tables and chairs
- Note total number of tables and chairs
- Note size of tables to be used
- Location of any trash management receptacles, diverters, stanchions, planters, or retail fixtures