

## GUIDELINES FOR OUTDOOR SEATING

- Must follow current REOPEN Connecticut Guidelines; Social distancing must be maintained.
- 50% capacity of existing areas and new extension areas; no parties greater than 5.
- Customers shall be served only when seated at tables. No standees. No bars.
- No outdoor food or beverage prep shall be permitted.
- No waiting queues are permitted; patrons are required to make reservations or have a mobile device notification.
- Must maintain clear path for pedestrians, a minimum of 6 feet.
- Must maintain 6 feet between tables, distance measures closest chair to closest chair.
- Patio space and tents shall not block emergency response access.
- On sidewalks, barriers, if provided, must be 30 inches minimum height and shall not be permanent.
- Restrooms need to be provided for guests.
- Accessible seating and accessible routes required.
- Egress must be sufficient for occupancy
- Expedited permits and reviews available under Executive Order 7MM and Zoning Section 8.8.  
(May include review and feedback by Fire Marshal, Public Works, Police Chief depending on location.)
- See also requirements form FVHD and guidance from DECD posted to the following:  
<http://www.townofcantonct.org/all-news/?FeedID=3155>

## TENT GUIDANCE

- Tents (including membrane structures) of all sizes must be labeled on the sketch with an application submitted under Executive Order 7MM and Zoning Section 8.8.
- Tents are subject to the requirements of Section 3103.5 of the state building code.
- Building permits are required only for tents greater than 400 sf in area (or 700 sf if open on all sides)
- Any tent to be erected greater than 180 days is required to be treated as a permanent structure.
- Electricity service to a tent requires the securement of an electrical permit.
- Temporary heat must meet the requirements of the building and fire codes.
- A site visit will be required after installation to ensure safety.
- No smoking, fireworks, or open flames of any kind
- NO SMOKING signs shall be posted.
- Fire extinguishers are required.
- Each tent will be reviewed for fire safety regarding location of tent and emergency access.