



TEMPORARY COVID-19 OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES GUIDANCE

OUTDOOR DINING

This guidance establishes criteria for temporary outdoor dining areas located on public or private sidewalks or converted parking areas in response to the COVID-19 Health Order.

A. Required Agreement. Temporary Outdoor Dining on sidewalks and in converted parking areas within the public right-of-way or on private property require a Temporary COVID-19 Outdoor Activities and Encroachment Agreement.

Application Checklist: Each application for temporary outdoor dining shall include the following:

- Temporary COVID-19 Outdoor Activities and Encroachment Agreement application with signatures and proof of insurance.
- Site plan including restaurant entrance, proposed dining area, and safe path of travel between restaurant and proposed outdoor dining area.
- Floor plan of dining area showing chairs and tables in compliance with ADA, California Building Code Chapter 11B and California Department of Public Health/Cal OSHA Covid-19 Industry Guidance for Dine-In Restaurants
- Show all measurements for dining area, width for ADA and California Building Code Chapter 11B path of travel, width for sidewalks (if applicable), and separation between tables.
- If uneven surface existing, such as a curb or step, provide details of compliance with ADA and California Building Code Chapter 11B.
- Photos or manufacturer specifications of furniture and umbrellas

B. Permitted Zoning Districts. Temporary outdoor dining is allowed in all commercial and mixed-use zoning districts.

C. Standards. Temporary dining shall comply with the following standards:

1. Location. Outside dining is permitted on the public or private sidewalks and converted parking areas:

- a. When incidental to and part of a restaurant; and
- b. When located along the restaurant's frontage (preferred), or alternative location as necessary due to existing built conditions of the site.

2. Number of Dining Areas. An indoor restaurant may operate only one outdoor dining area confined to a single location. A restaurant with existing outdoor dining may expand the outdoor dining area to a second location on the site.

3. Floor and Ground Surfaces. Floor and ground surfaces shall be stable, firm, and slip resistant.

4. Safe Passage.

- a. Temporary dining areas and access to the temporary dining area must comply with ADA and the provisions of the California Building Code, Chapter 11B for Accessibility.



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b. Temporary sidewalk dining is permitted only where the sidewalk is wide enough to adequately accommodate both the usual pedestrian traffic in the area and the operation of the outside dining area. The sidewalk immediately adjacent to the restaurant shall have adequate space to accommodate tables and chairs and shall provide adequate safe passage along the sidewalk for pedestrian and wheelchair users of the sidewalk. A minimum width of four feet shall be maintained along the sidewalk. No tables or chairs shall be placed or allowed to remain on any sidewalk that inhibit the minimum four feet passage.

c. Temporary dining in converted parking areas is permitted when existing safe path of travel is maintained for pedestrian flow and an accessible route to and within the dining area is provided.

5. Ramps.

a. Changes in level may not be more than $\frac{1}{4}$ " maximum vertical or $\frac{1}{2}$ " beveled with a slope not greater than 1:2

b. Changes in level greater than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch high shall be ramped with the following requirements:

- Ramp runs shall have a running slope not steeper than 1:12
- Cross slope of ramp runs shall not be steeper than 1:48
- Clear width of ramps shall be 48 inches – handrails may encroach 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " at each side maximum at handrail height.
- Rise for ramps shall be 30" maximum
- Ramps shall have landings at the top and bottom of each ramp run. Top landings shall be 60 inches wide minimum and 60 inches long. Bottom landings shall be 60 inches wide minimum and 72" long in the direction of the ramp run.
- Changes in direction shall have a clear landing 60 inches minimum by 72 inches minimum in the direction of downward travel from the upper ramp.
- If a ramp run has a rise greater than 6 inches or a horizontal projection greater than 72 inches, then it shall have handrails on both sides. Handrails are not required on curb ramps or adjacent to seating in assembly areas.
- Handrails at a height of 34 inches to 38 inches shall be provided on each side of the ramp. Handrails are not required on curb ramps or adjacent to seating in assembly areas
- A curb or barrier shall be provided that prevents the passage of a 4 inches sphere where any portion of the sphere is within 4 inches of the finish floor or ground surface. To prevent wheel entrapment the curb or barrier shall provide a continuous and uninterrupted barrier along the length of the ramp.

6. Furniture and Signage Location.

- a. Tables and chairs in a sidewalk dining area shall be configured to comply with the California Department of Public Health/Cal OSHA Covid-19 Industry Guidance for Dine-In Restaurants. Also, tables and chairs shall be set back at least eight feet from a bus stop



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- b. Five percent of seating shall be designated as accessible which meet all accessibility requirements for clear floor area and knee and toe space.
 - c. All outdoor dining furniture, including tables, chairs, umbrellas, and planters, shall be movable.
 - c. All temporary improvements to separate the outdoor dining area from the sidewalk, such as a railing, shall relate to the architectural design of the primary restaurant structure in color, materials, and scale.
 - d. Umbrellas shall be secured with a minimum base of not less than sixty pounds.
 - e. All signs are subject to Chapter 17.80. For areas within the Coastal Zone, signs are subject to Chapter 17.57 unless otherwise stated.
7. Food and Beverages. The service of alcoholic beverages within the temporary dining area requires the restaurant have an active conditional use permit to serve alcohol, and shall comply with the following requirements:
- a. The outside dining area shall be situated adjacent to and abutting the indoor restaurant which provides it with food and beverage service. If located in a parking area, the parking spaces should be adjacent to the restaurant with existing pedestrian circulation maintained on the site, to the extent possible. Alternative locations which are adjacent but not connected to the restaurant may be approved by the Community Development Director.
 - b. The outside dining area shall be clearly separate and delineated from the areas of the sidewalk or parking area. Temporary structures such as railings, stanchions, and planters shall relate to the architectural design of the primary restaurant in color, materials, and scale. The California Department of Alcohol Beverage Control does not have a minimum height limit for the infrastructure delineating the dining area.
 - c. One or more signs shall be posted during hours of operation stating that alcohol is prohibited outside of the dining area.
 - d. The applicant shall obtain all licenses required for on-site consumption of alcoholic beverages from state authorities for the expanded dining area prior to serving alcohol to patrons.
 - e. The outside dining area shall receive all necessary licenses for on-site consumption of food from County of Santa Cruz Health Department.
8. Trash and Maintenance.
- a. Storage of trash is prohibited within or adjacent to the sidewalk dining area. All trash and litter shall be removed as it accumulates or otherwise becomes a public nuisance.
 - b. The permittee shall be responsible for all maintenance and cleaning of the agreement area. The dining area, including the sidewalk or parking area surface and furniture, shall be maintained in a clean and safe condition.



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9. Hours of Operation. Sidewalk dining may occur between seven a.m. and eight p.m. seven days a week. Seating is not allowed after eight p.m.

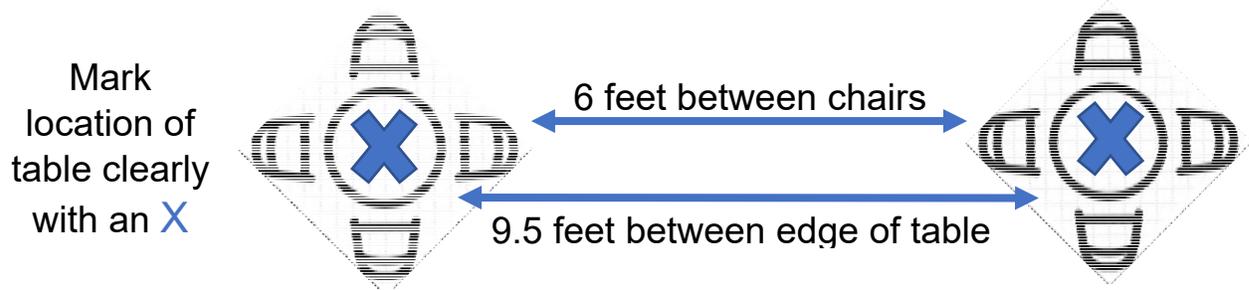


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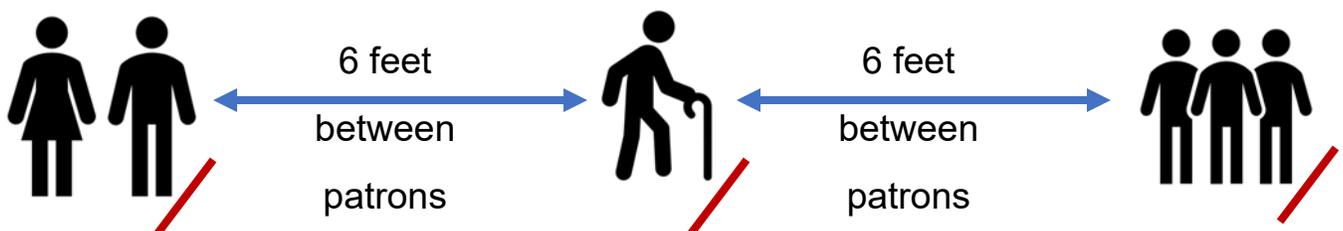
REQUIRED VISUAL COMPLIANCE MEASURES FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING

All restaurants with temporary outdoor dining shall implement the following visual compliance standards to ensure consistency with the COVID-19 industry standards. This will allow residents, visitors, and health officials to see visual cues that the temporary outdoor dining is following the county and state social distancing guidance.

- 1) **Mark the location of tables with an X.** The seats within each dining area, must be 6 feet apart. Patrons within one party should be a minimum of 6 feet from patrons from another party. To ensure all seats are 6 feet apart, mark the ground with an X utilizing duct tape or chalk to identify the location of the table, providing adequate space for your chair, and a minimum of six feet between chairs. The X under the table is a visual cue to waitstaff, city staff, and the public that your restaurant is complying with social distancing protocols. The X may be covered by table legs, umbrella stand, etc. When visible, your staff will know an adjustment is necessary.



- 2) **Implement Social Distancing Queuing Procedures.** Implement peak period queuing procedures with visual guides to show six feet of separation. When adequate queuing areas do not exist, have a host at the door to take reservation and ask guest(s) not to congregate. Contact guest via phone or other device when their table is ready.



- 3) **Require Face Coverings:** Install signs by your entrance for the general public requiring face coverings. Always require all employees to wear face coverings. Educate your staff regarding how to deal with resistance to compliance with facial covering rules.



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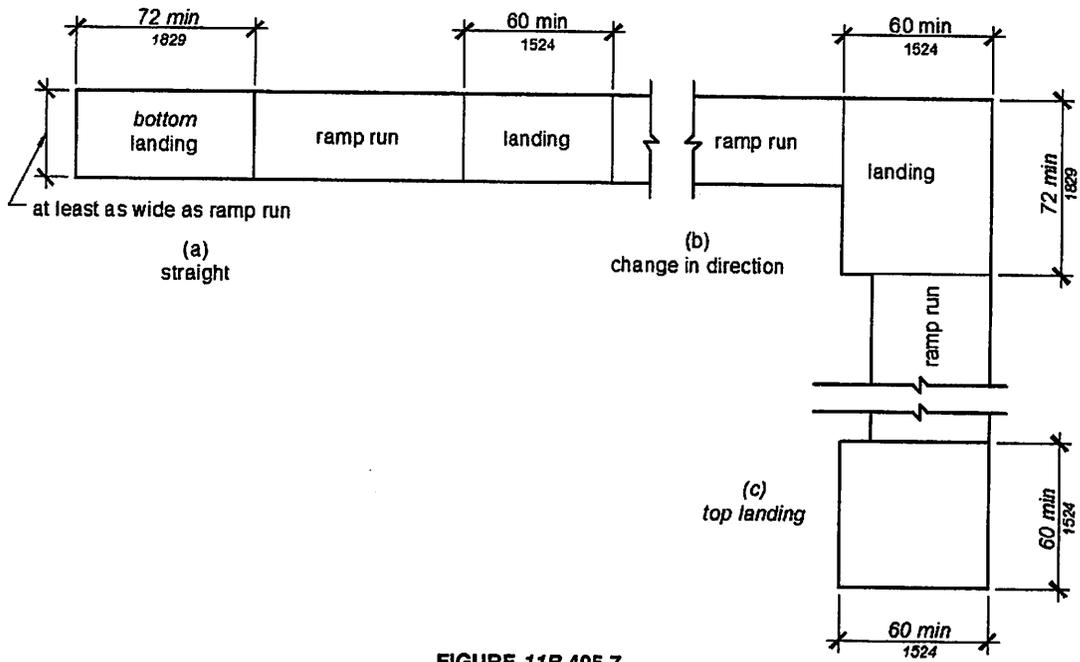


FIGURE 11B-405.7
RAMP LANDINGS

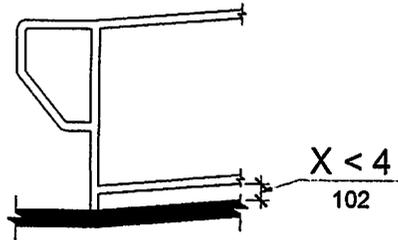


FIGURE 11B-405.9.2
CURB OR BARRIER EDGE PROTECTION

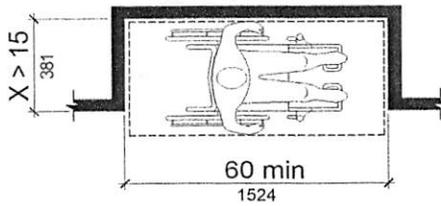


FIGURE 11B-305.7.2
MANEUVERING CLEARANCE IN
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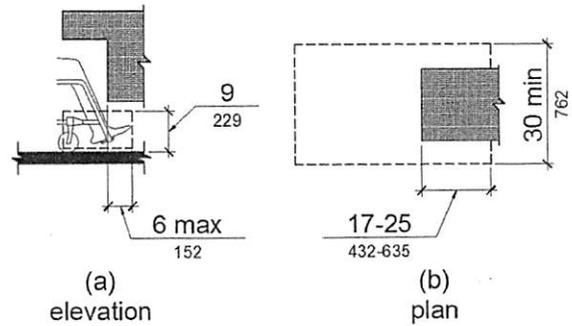


FIGURE 11B-306.2
TOE CLEARANCE

11B-306 Knee and toe clearance

11B-306.1 General. Where space beneath an element is included as part of clear floor or ground space or turning space, the space shall comply with Section 11B-306. Additional space shall not be prohibited beneath an element but shall not be considered as part of the clear floor or ground space or turning space.

11B-306.2 Toe clearance

11B-306.2.1 General. Space under an element between the finish floor or ground and 9 inches (229 mm) above the finish floor or ground shall be considered toe clearance and shall comply with Section 11B-306.2.

11B-306.2.2 Maximum depth. Toe clearance shall extend 25 inches (635 mm) maximum under an element.

Exception: Toe clearance shall extend 19 inches (483 mm) maximum under lavatories required to be accessible by Section 11B-213.3.4.

11B-306.2.3 Minimum required depth. Where toe clearance is required at an element as part of a clear floor space, the toe clearance shall extend 17 inches (432 mm) minimum under the element.

Exceptions:

1. The toe clearance shall extend 19 inches (483 mm) minimum under sinks required to be accessible by Section 11B-212.3.
2. The toe clearance shall extend 19 inches (483 mm) minimum under built-in dining and work surfaces required to be accessible.

11B-306.2.4 Additional clearance. Space extending greater than 6 inches (152 mm) beyond the available knee

clearance at 9 inches (229 mm) above the finish floor or ground shall not be considered toe clearance.

11B-306.2.5 Width. Toe clearance shall be 30 inches (762 mm) wide minimum.

11B-306.3 Knee clearance.

11B-306.3.1 General. Space under an element between 9 inches (229 mm) and 27 inches (686 mm) above the finish floor or ground shall be considered knee clearance and shall comply with Section 11B-306.3.

Exception: At lavatories required to be accessible by Section 11B-213.3.4, space between 9 inches (229 mm) and 29 inches (737 mm) above the finish floor or ground, shall be considered knee clearance.

11B-306.3.2 Maximum depth. Knee clearance shall extend 25 inches (635 mm) maximum under an element at 9 inches (229 mm) above the finish floor or ground.

11B-306.3.3 Minimum required depth. Where knee clearance is required under an element as part of a clear floor space, the knee clearance shall be 11 inches (279 mm) deep minimum at 9 inches (229 mm) above the finish floor or ground, and 8 inches (203 mm) deep minimum at 27 inches (686 mm) above the finish floor or ground.

Exceptions:

1. At lavatories required to be accessible by Section 11B-213.3.4, the knee clearance shall be 27 inches (686 mm) high minimum above the finish floor or ground at a depth of 8 inches (203 mm) minimum increasing to 29 inches (737 mm) high minimum

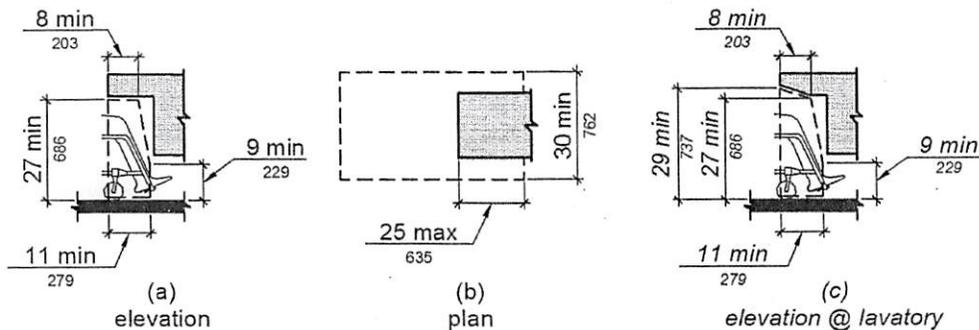


FIGURE 11B-306.3
KNEE CLEARANCE

above the finish floor or ground at the front edge of a counter with a built-in lavatory or at the front edge of a wall-mounted lavatory fixture.

- 2. At dining and work surfaces required to be accessible, knee clearance shall extend 19 inches (483 mm) deep minimum at 27 inches (686 mm) above the finish floor or ground.

11B-306.3.4 Clearance reduction. Between 9 inches (229 mm) and 27 inches (686 mm) above the finish floor or ground, the knee clearance shall be permitted to reduce at a rate of 1 inch (25 mm) in depth for each 6 inches (152 mm) in height.

Exception: The knee clearance shall not be reduced at built-in dining and work surfaces required to be accessible by Section 11B-226.1.

11B-306.3.5 Width. Knee clearance shall be 30 inches (762 mm) wide minimum.

11B-307 Protruding objects

11B-307.1 General. Protruding objects shall comply with Section 11B-307.

11B-307.2 Protrusion limits. Objects with leading edges more than 27 inches (686 mm) and not more than 80 inches (2032 mm) above the finish floor or ground shall protrude 4 inches (102 mm) maximum horizontally into the circulation path.

Exception: Handrails shall be permitted to protrude 4½ inches (114 mm) maximum.

11B-307.3 Post-mounted objects. Free-standing objects mounted on posts or pylons shall overhang circulation paths 12 inches (305 mm) maximum when located 27 inches (686 mm) minimum and 80 inches (2032 mm) maximum above the finish floor or ground. Where a sign or other obstruction is mounted between posts or pylons and the clear distance between the posts or pylons is greater than 12 inches (305 mm), the lowest edge of such sign or obstruction shall be 27 inches (686 mm) maximum or 80 inches (2032 mm) minimum above the finish floor or ground.

Exception: The sloping portions of handrails serving stairs and ramps shall not be required to comply with Section 11B-307.3.

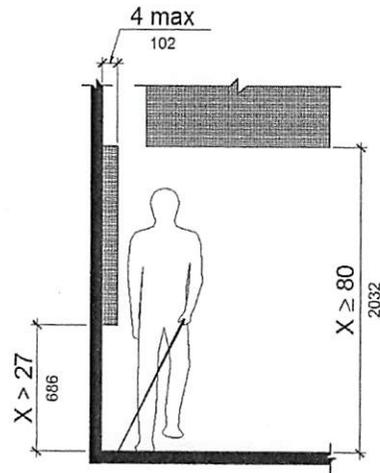


FIGURE 11B-307.2 LIMITS OF PROTRUDING OBJECTS

11B-307.3.1 Edges and corners. Where signs or other objects are mounted on posts or pylons, and their bottom edges are less than 80 inches (2032 mm) above the floor or ground surface, the edges of such signs and objects shall be rounded or eased and the corners shall have a minimum radius of 1/8 inch (3.2 mm).

11B-307.4 Vertical clearance. Vertical clearance shall be 80 inches (2032 mm) high minimum. Guardrails or other barriers shall be provided where the vertical clearance is less than 80 inches (2032 mm) high. The leading edge of such guardrail or barrier shall be located 27 inches (686 mm) maximum above the finish floor or ground.

Exception: Door closers and door stops shall be permitted to be 78 inches (1981 mm) minimum above the finish floor or ground.

11B-307.4.1 Guy braces. Where a guy support is used within either the width of a circulation path or 24 inches (610 mm) maximum outside of a circulation path, a vertical guy brace, sidewalk guy or similar device shall be used to prevent a hazard or an overhead obstruction.

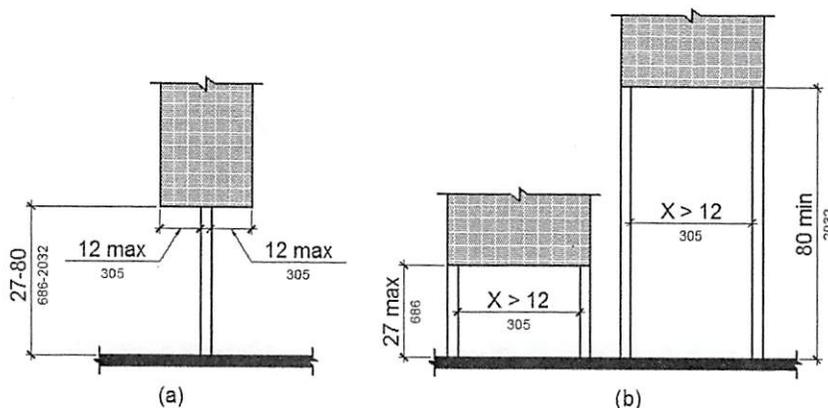


FIGURE 11B-307.3 POST-MOUNTED PROTRUDING OBJECTS