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**PRESS RELEASE
FOR IMMEDIATE DISTRIBUTION
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RE: RE-OPENING FOR RESTAURANTS AND TAVERNS.

As of June 10, 2020, per direction from the Washington State Department of Health, the City of Leavenworth informs the public, restaurants and tavern operators that they may operate subject to Phase II guidance including:

1. **An individual business is ONLY allowed to reopen after it can implement the State guidelines for a safe start. These guidelines can be found at:**
<https://coronavirus.wa.gov/what-you-need-know/safe-start>
2. Operate at 50% outdoor capacity with all tables / chairs maintaining at least 6 feet of distance and table size no larger than 5 persons
3. Additional or new outdoor seating would be allowed, subject to maintaining 6 feet distance between table and chairs, as well as receiving any city permit needed
4. All indoor food and beverage services may operate at no more than 25% indoor capacity with all tables/chairs maintaining at least 6 feet of distance and table size no larger than 5 persons
5. No bar-area seating is allowed

This direction to re-open sectors of the economy may be revoked at the discretion of the Washington Department of Public Health.

People in high-risk populations are strongly encouraged to limit their participation in activities and business services. High-risk populations are currently defined by the CDC as:

- Persons 65 years of age and older
- People of all ages with underlying medical conditions (particularly not well controlled), including:
 - ✓ People with chronic lung disease or moderate to severe asthma
 - ✓ People who have serious heart conditions
 - ✓ People who are immunocompromised
 - ✓ People with severe obesity
 - ✓ People with diabetes
 - ✓ People with chronic kidney disease undergoing dialysis
 - ✓ People with liver disease
 - ✓ People who live in a nursing home or long-term care facility.

The City of Leavenworth strongly encourages employers to implement strict mask wearing protocols for employees and customers.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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