



City of Naperville COVID-19 Community Update 05/14/2021

‘Bridge’ Phase Begins in Illinois, Easing COVID-19 Mitigations

State officials announced that as of today, Friday, May 14, 2021, the entire state has met the necessary metrics to move into the Bridge to Phase 5 of the Restore Illinois plan. Entering this less-restrictive stage reflects progress in stabilizing case counts and hospitalizations for COVID-19, as well as vaccinating a high percentage of seniors and other residents across the state. All of Naperville – as well as all of Illinois – is now operating under the Bridge to Phase 5.

The Bridge to Phase 5 loosens limits on gathering sizes, building capacities and business operations.

Under these regulations:

- Many types of businesses and entertainment venues can operate at 60% capacity, including amusement parks, film production, health and fitness, museums, personal care, retail, spectator events, theaters and zoos.
- Capacity limits are increased for indoor and outdoor dining, as well as social events, recreational events, meetings, conferences, conventions, outdoor festivals and spectator events.

A full explanation of what is allowed under the Bridge to Phase 5 is available on the [State’s website](#).

This change in mitigations comes because of a recent decline in new COVID-19 cases and stabilizing hospitalizations, while the state has surpassed the benchmark of 70% of residents 65 and older receiving at least their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine. The state could move to Phase 5 of the Restore Illinois plan – a post-pandemic “new normal” without capacity limits – as soon as June 11, 2021, as long as there is not a significant increase in metrics such as cases, hospitalizations or mortality rate. June 11 is the soonest a 28-day monitoring period, required to move out of the Bridge to Phase 5, could be complete.

The state continues to follow guidance about mask-wearing from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. CDC guidance now states that fully vaccinated people no longer need to wear a mask or physically distance in any outdoor setting and in most indoor settings. The CDC still recommends mask use when in crowded indoor places, including buses, planes, hospitals, prisons and homeless shelters, and when required by workplaces, businesses and federal, state, local or tribal authorities.

Until fully vaccinated, residents are encouraged to continue wearing a mask and distancing, as well as washing their hands often to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. People are considered fully vaccinated two weeks after receiving a one-dose vaccine or two weeks after receiving the second shot of a two-dose vaccine.

City Services During This Time

Members of the public are encouraged to continue doing business with the City online, by email or by phone. The City Services Guide, available at www.naperville.il.us/coronavirus-resources, outlines the best ways to conduct business with the City online. The public can use the online Help Center at <https://napervilleil.mycusthelp.com/webapp/> or call (630) 420-6111 to be forwarded to the appropriate department. A complete list of contact information for City departments is available at www.naperville.il.us/contact-us/.

WHAT'S CHANGING?

NOW OPERATING AT
60% capacity:

Amusement parks, film production, health and fitness, museums, personal care, retail, spectator events, theaters and zoos.

Bridge to Phase

5

May 14, 2021



INCREASED CAPACITY LIMITS FOR:

Indoor and outdoor dining, social events, recreational events, meetings, conferences, conventions, outdoor festivals and spectator events.

✓ FACE COVERINGS

- **No longer required** in any setting for those fully vaccinated (except when specified by workplaces, businesses or federal/state/local/tribal authorities)

UNTIL FULLY VACCINATED:

✓ SOCIAL DISTANCING

✓ MASKING

✓ HANDWASHING

MOVE TO PHASE 5 WHEN:

- 28-DAY MONITORING PERIOD ENDS: AS SOON AS JUNE 11 ●
- NO SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN RELEVANT COVID-19 METRICS ●