



Current Regulations in South Dakota

Because we are experiencing a rapidly changing situation, regulations may also change frequently.

COVID-19 Cases as of March 30, 2020

101 Cases



State	Number of Cases	Deaths	Recovered
Minnesota	576	10	134
Montana	171	4	0
North Dakota	109	2	19
Oregon	606	16	0
South Dakota	101	1	34
Washington	5,250	210	490
United States	164,253	3,165	5,506

What the South Dakota Laws are saying

Physical Distancing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Physical distancing is also sometimes called “social distancing.” Physical distancing is deliberately increasing the space between people to avoid spreading illness. Stay at least two meters/six feet (visualize two arm-lengths) away from other people to lessen your chances of catching COVID-19.
Self-Isolation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Self-isolation means staying home and avoiding other people when you could make them sick. This is necessary to curb the spread of illness. This ensures that your loved ones will not get sick and spread the illness.
Decentralized South Dakota COVID-19 Response	<p>Governor Kristi Noem has issued an order that directs local authorities to follow CDC guidelines in their response to COVID-19.</p> <p>CDC guidelines recommend varying degrees of isolation, depending on the level of community spread of the virus. As of March 30, 2020, moderate to significant community spread has been identified in various South Dakota counties that are home to 12 different Hutterite communities. The number of counties with community spread is growing daily.</p> <p>Therefore, the Hutterite Safety Council COVID-19 task force recommends that South Dakota Hutterite communities implement the social distancing strategies on this bulletin. These are generally consistent with CDC guidelines and neighboring Minnesota orders.</p>

<p>Maximize Physical Distance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ When community spread is confirmed, most states issue a <i>Stay Home Order</i> to maximize physical distancing. Typically, all social gatherings are prohibited and non-essential businesses are shut down. People are asked to remain in their homes and venture out only for essential reasons, such as acquiring food and accessing other necessary supplies and services. ▪ All non-essential travel should be stopped. ▪ Exempted activities include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • health and safety activities. • care for others. • outdoor activities like fishing, biking, walking, jogging (while maintaining six-foot physical distancing).
<p>Events: <i>Lehr und Gebet</i> Communal Meals <i>Essenschuel</i> <i>Sonntagschuel</i> Choir Practices Funerals Other Gatherings</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All cherished events are affected by state orders. Please think about how these are affected. ▪ Remember, these regulations are meant to be temporary. ▪ At greatest risk are those with <i>respiratory illnesses, severe asthma, serious heart conditions, severe obesity, diabetes</i>, and other illnesses that compromise immune systems.
<p>Workplaces: Manufacturing Barns Shops</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Stay Home Orders</i> require all non-essential businesses to close. Agricultural, food-producing businesses, and health care related businesses are considered essential and remain open. ▪ State orders and CDC guidelines require that all business operations that remain open must take proactive measures to ensure compliance with social distancing requirements. Typically the following CDC based guidelines are specified: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designate six-foot distances between employees and customers. This must be clearly marked by appropriate signage, tape, or by other means. • Hand sanitizer and sanitizing products must be readily available for employees and customers. • Separate operating hours must be established for vulnerable populations such as senior, and vulnerable customers. • Online and remote access alerts should be posted online so that customers know whether a facility is open and how best to reach the facility. As much as possible, services should be continued by phone or remotely. • By extension, carefully consider shipping interactions that take place on a daily basis, such as UPS, FedEx, USPS, and Spee-Dee pick-ups, and deliveries. Develop protocols that ensure physical distancing and proper package sterilization. ▪ Communities that engage in trucking may want to consider living arrangements that minimize or eliminate the truck driver's contact with vulnerable people in their communities.
<p>Schools, Gyms, and Klanaschuel</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ To help limit the spread of COVID-19 across communities, South Dakota has suspended in-school classes until May 1. ▪ State law requires that schools will implement a variety of measures to ensure continued learning for students while in-person instruction is suspended. ▪ For the safety of our children, they should be instructed in physical distancing. ▪ Community gyms and outdoor play structures should be closed.

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