



County Health Officer Confirms Tasting Rooms Can Reopen Without Previously Mandated Food Service Requirement, as of June 12

SVVGA has received confirmation from the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors and Sonoma County Health Officer Dr. Sundari Mase that effective as of 12:01 AM this Friday, June 12, Sonoma County winery tasting rooms CAN re-open WITHOUT the previously mandated food service requirement. This aligns with the state guidance released on Friday, June 5.

The California Department of Public Health, last week, released new guidance on how local jurisdictions should modify behavior and operations to reduce risk for infection. **All wineries must continue to follow and comply with all COVID-19 mitigation practices and social distancing protocols for their respective facilities as outlined in the June 5 California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Guidance for 'restaurants, bars, and wineries.'**

[CLICK HERE TO READ THE GUIDANCE](#)

Let SVVGA Know You Are Open Status

To best understand our Vintner Members' re-opening timelines, as well as address inquiries from the public and media we ask that you please update us on the status of your business by completing the new survey below. Is your Tasting Room currently open? Do you plan to open for business in the coming weeks? And if so, when? Or, are you still closed and plan to stay closed, but open for curbside pick-up, etc.?

SVVGA is working to promote a public list of our members' re-open status to consumers, media, tour companies, and concierge.

[COMPLETE THE SURVEY](#)

Sonoma County Leisure Tourism Re-Opening Guidance, Projected for June 19-20

Our partners at Sonoma County Tourism have received guidance that, barring additional spikes in key health indicators, leisure tourism will be allowed to resume the weekend of June 19 – 21. Tourism is awaiting a decision of whether the date will be June 19 or June 20 at this time and expects an official announcement based on the indicator levels on or about June 16.

Sonoma Valley Safe: Readiness to Re-Open

Sonoma Valley Safe, developed in partnership by the Sonoma Valley Chamber, Sonoma Valley Vintners and Growers and SVVB, **Sonoma Valley Safe** supports local businesses in taking the necessary steps to follow safety and health guidelines, as well as communicate to customers and the community that Sonoma Valley is committed to maintaining the highest safety standards to protect the health and welfare of employees, our community and guests. Read the official Press Release [here](#).

Upon completion of the **Sonoma Valley Safe** Self-Certification Assessment, businesses will take the next step to reopening which includes customer-facing signage to communicate guest expectations for masks and spacing.

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