



Guidance FAQs

Outdoor Entertainment Establishments

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Overview

Below are answers to frequently asked questions (FAQ) about the Oregon Health Authority's (OHA) [Sector Guidance for Outdoor Entertainment Establishments](#). OHA provides and may intermittently update this FAQ to help the public understand the guidance, respond to stakeholder questions, and clarify how the guidance may apply in specific scenarios. The FAQ is not intended to take the place of the guidance but to help interpret, supplement and help fill in the details of the guidance.

Q1: [Are outdoor amusement parks allowed to operate under the Sector Guidance for Outdoor Entertainment Establishments? What are the guidelines for cleaning an amusement park?](#)

A1: Yes, outdoor amusement parks are considered outdoor entertainment establishments and are required to follow the [Sector Guidance for Outdoor Entertainment Establishments](#). Amusement park operators must comply with the maximum capacity limits for outdoor entertainment establishments based on the [designated risk level](#) for the county where the amusement park is located. Refer to [Sector Guidance for Outdoor Entertainment Establishments](#) for specific cleaning requirements. Any indoor operations at an amusement park, such as an indoor skating rink or indoor ride, must follow the [Sector Guidance for Indoor Entertainment Establishments](#). Indoor operations at an amusement park may be prohibited depending on the designated risk level for the county where the amusement park is located and the indoor areas must comply with the maximum capacity limits for indoor entertainment establishments.

Q2: [Should jet boats operate under the Sector Guidance for Outdoor Entertainment Establishments?](#)

A2: Yes, jet boats are considered outdoor entertainment and operators of jet boats are required to follow the [Sector Guidance for Outdoor Entertainment Establishments](#). Operators must comply with the maximum capacity limits for outdoor entertainment establishments based on the [designated risk level](#) for the county where the jet boat is located. If a jet boat is enclosed or does not meet the definition for "outdoor" then the jet boat would be considered indoor entertainment and must comply with the [requirements and guidance for indoor operations](#).

Q3: My business is thinking about moving indoor operations outdoors to open sooner based on the designated risk level of the county where my establishment is located. What qualifies as an “outdoor space” if my business wants to operate under the [Sector Guidance for Outdoor Entertainment Establishments](#)?

A3: In the [Sector Guidance for Outdoor Entertainment Establishments](#), “outdoor” means an open-air space which may have a temporary or fixed cover, such as an awning or roof, so long as the space has at least 75% of the square footage of its sides open for airflow. Operators may only operate outdoor entertainment using the [Sector Guidance for Outdoor Entertainment Establishments](#) if they ensure that any outside spaces created or used for services or operations meet the definition for “outdoor”. If the space does not meet the definition of outdoor, then the services or operations are considered indoor and therefore must comply with the [requirements and guidance for indoor operations](#).

Q4: If an indoor facility is not allowed to be open, can I move the activity outdoors and be allowed to operate? For example, can I put up a tent and chairs and operate like a movie theater outdoors?

A4: Indoor entertainment operations may be moved outside and operate using the [Sector Guidance for Outdoor Entertainment Establishments](#) only if the operator ensures that any outside spaces created or used for services or operations meet the definition for “outdoor”. If the space does not meet the definition of outdoor, then the services or operations are considered indoor and therefore must comply with the [requirements and guidance for indoor operations](#).

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