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## **Regional Stay-at-Home Order to Take Effect in Amador**

**Amador County, CA** – Last week, the State Health Officer signed a [regional stay-at-home order](#) for regions with less than 15% Intensive Care Unit (ICU) capacity. Today, the ICU capacity for the Greater Sacramento Region, which includes Amador County, dropped below this threshold to 14.3%, activating the Regional Stay-at-Home Order in Amador County effective 11:59 PM Thursday, December 10, 2020.

The order will be in effect for a minimum of 3 weeks. More information on the order and regional ICU capacity is updated daily on the state website: [About COVID-19 Restrictions](#). In addition to the purple tier restrictions, the following will change under this order:

- Retail – Open at 20% capacity
- Hotels and lodging – Open for critical infrastructure support only
- Restaurants – Open for take-out, pick-up only
- Wineries – closed except for retail and production
- Salons and barbershops – closed
- Personal care services – closed
- Museums – closed

The [Regional Stay-At-Home Order](#) temporarily restricts all non-essential travel statewide, but allows access to (and travel for) critical services and allows outdoor activities to preserve Californian's physical and mental health. New hospital admissions continue to escalate with current projections estimating that without additional intervention to slow the spread of COVID-19 the number of available ICU beds within the State of California will be at capacity by mid-December. Amador Public Health urges the community to stay home as much as possible. Practice consistent prevention measures to help limit the spread of COVID-19: wear face coverings, practice social distancing, and ensure frequent hand hygiene. Avoid mixing with others outside your household. Persons over age 65 and those with chronic health conditions that put them at higher risk for severe COVID-19 are encouraged to stay home as much as possible. Stay home if you are sick even with mild symptoms. If you have been directed to isolate or quarantine, please follow all instructions.

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