



Information for Wedding Venues

– Per Governor’s and MD Department of Health’s Orders 6.10.2020

Inside Places of Worship

Weddings may take place inside places of worship and must limit the number of people in the facility to 50% of maximum occupancy with recommended best health and safety practices including physical distancing and the use of facial coverings.

Not at Religious Facility

Wedding ceremonies and receptions that are held at a venue that is not a religious facility (e.g. a wedding ceremony outdoors at an orchard or vineyard) are allowed.

- If indoors, 50% maximum occupancy must be followed and social distancing and face coverings required.
- If outdoors, the large-gathering limit of 10 people has been rescinded, however, the Governor strongly urges the practice of social distancing and use of face coverings.

Provision of Food

Wedding venues providing food must adhere to the food establishment guidelines (found in the MDH 6.10.20 Order) including the following:

- For indoor dining, 50 % maximum occupancy must be followed and social distancing and face coverings are required.
- The following applies to both indoor dining and outside dining:
 - Attendees must be seated at least 6 feet away from each other, except for households or a group seated together. No more than six people may be seated at a table
 - Food may not be served in a buffet format
 - All venue and food serving staff must wear face coverings unless it is not safe to do so
 - Attendees over the age of nine must wear face coverings indoors except during the consumption of food and drink

Governor’s Executive Order – 6.10.2020

<https://governor.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Gatherings-NINTH-AMENDED-6.10.20.pdf>

MD Department of Health Order – 6.10.2020

<https://phpa.health.maryland.gov/Documents/20.20.06.10.01%20-%20MDH%20Order%20-%20Food%20Service%20Establishments.pdf>

For further guidance and questions, please contact the Governor’s Office of Legal Counsel at 410-974-3901 or use this online form: <https://governor.maryland.gov/contact-the-governor/>.