



ACCO Update



To provide advocacy, education, professional development and valuable services to our members and the HVACR industry.

Ohio Stay at Home Order Extended Through May 1

Ohio Governor Mike DeWine announced that Ohio's Stay at Home order has been extended until **11:59 p.m. on May 1, 2020.**

The full Stay at Home order can be found [here](#) or on [coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://www.coronavirus.ohio.gov).

Updates to the new order include:

- The creation of a dispute resolution process for situations where two local health departments have come to a different conclusion on what is or is not an essential business.
- The requirement that essential businesses determine and enforce a maximum number of customers allowed in a store at one time. These businesses must ensure that people waiting to enter the stores maintain safe social distancing.
- Direction that travelers arriving to Ohio should self-quarantine for 14 days. Exceptions include persons who live and work in trans-border areas, health care workers, public health workers, public safety workers, transportation workers and designated essential workers. Visitors are instructed not to travel to Ohio if they are displaying symptoms, excepting in certain circumstances for medical care.

- The mandate that wedding receptions be limited to no more than 10 people.
- A clarification to close campgrounds with the exception where a camper or recreational vehicle in a campground serves as a citizen's permanent residence and they are unable to secure safe alternative housing.
- The requirement that public swimming pools and swimming pools at private clubs or housing complexes close to prevent transmission of COVID-19. This does not apply to private residential pools.
- The clarification that retail garden centers can remain open but should determine and enforce a reduced capacity to keep customers and employees safe.
- The closure of day camps for children.
- The prohibition of organized youth and adult sports.
- The clarification that fishing is permitted if proper social distancing is practiced.

CORONAVIRUS.OHIO.GOV/JOBS:

Lt. Governor Jon Husted announced that the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation has developed a website specifically geared toward matching essential businesses with Ohioans who are able and willing to work as an essential employee during the COVID-19 crisis.

Both essential businesses and current job seekers can visit [**Coronavirus.Ohio.gov/JobSearch**](https://www.coronavirus.ohio.gov/JobSearch) to post and search.

"If you are an employer who performs a critical service, please go to [Coronavirus.Ohio.gov/JobSearch](https://www.coronavirus.ohio.gov/JobSearch) to post your open positions so we can help you fill them," said Lt. Governor Jon Husted.

The site features a highly-streamlined interface with only two main links – one for essential businesses, and one for job seekers.

Applicants can search through jobs in their area, their region, and the entire state.

Resources for ACCO Members - Stay Updated

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Resource Center

includes many customized resources and tips developed specifically for and by ACCO members, along with advice from experts.

Check out all of the resources, including:

- Customer Templates
- Industry News & Resources
- Workplace Guidance

CARES Act, The Small Business Administration is offering loans to businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic:

Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL)

Please take the time to review the information included in the provided linked documents. Both of these programs offer valuable, yet different ways to secure the funds you may need for your business. These programs offer funds to cover similar and different expenses within your business. You can select the program that will work best for you. You can actually select one or both of these program loans; the decision is yours based on what will best suit your business.

Paycheck Protection Program (PPP)

For the best information, contact your local bank or credit union to see if they participate in the SBA program and fill out the loan application. Your lender will require tax and payroll information to determine your maximum loan amount. If your bank does not

participate, contact your local SBA Assistance Office to find a list of eligible lenders.

To learn all that you can about the program, we have attached the SBA Guide & Checklist in this message for your review. This is an excellent resource with answers to the most commonly asked questions. Please review this and learn about the program and your eligibility.

[SBA Guide & Checklist](#)

The application for the PPP Loan has been updated to accommodate some necessary information and changes. Please click here to access the updated PPP Application.

[UPDATED PPP Loan Application](#)

Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL)

You can apply for the loan on SBA's website. Additional monies are available through the Emergency Economic Injury Grants and can be accessed rather quickly. Visit the SBA website to learn more about the program and available grants.

Since there are two SBA Loan program options available, I wanted to present you with information comparing the two program offerings. Remember, you can select one or both of these programs. Be sure to know and understand each one and how it will impact your business.

[Click here to view the SBA Loan Document](#)

There is a lot of information available to learn all that you can about these programs. Please take the time to understand each of these programs and how they can best serve you and your business.

**IF YOU START TO RECEIVE NOTICES FROM OTHER CITIES
PLEASE LET US KNOW AND WE WILL SEND THE INFO OUT TO
ALL ACCO MEMBERSHIP**

From: City of Rocky River Building department

Date: 4/3/2020

As you may be aware Governor DeWine has extended the ‘Stay at Home order ‘ for Ohio until May 1st . As you are aware from my previous email sent out March 17th it is necessary to make operational changes to our department to protect the health and safety of the City of Rocky River’s residents, contractors and employees so until further notice the building department is closed to walk in service. You may continue to mail applications, registrations and licenses but those mailed in applications will not be available or approved until **after** the current order is lifted. Below for your review is additional information regarding inspections and plan review procedures.

Phone in all questions (440) 331-0600 Ext. 2584

Permit applications

We are still accepting permit applications which are available online at the City of Rocky River website under *Departments*, drop down to *Building Department* and then the *Permit Library*. These *applications* can be filled out and mailed in with your check **but no permits or work will be and issued and approved to begin until the Governors order is lifted. If you have a situation that has a Life safety or health component please call (216) 701-3464.**

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Inspections

During this time, we will **not be** conducting inspections so please have some flexibility in your schedule to accommodate this issue and

find a safe stopping point and we will resume operations once the Governor's order is lifted. All rental inspections have been postponed and will be rescheduled once the COVID-19 concern has passed. Interior rental and property maintenance complaints will be answered only if there is a health or life safety issue.

Plan reviews

Plan reviews can be submitted electronically with the accompanying application for review. If you would like to drop off your plans for review, please call ahead.

Boards and Commissions

Land use meetings will be canceled in the coming weeks, so you are encouraged to call the building department if you have questions regarding a proposed item .

Thank you for your flexibility and patience during this time.

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ACCA NATIONAL

Take Action to Ensure CARES Act Funds Are Reserved for Small Businesses

Congress has taken historic action by allocating over \$370 billion to help keep small businesses afloat in the wake of the devastating coronavirus pandemic. However, ACCA is concerned that these funds could be used for private equity, venture capitalists (VC), and other

large corporate entities that would otherwise be able to weather this crisis—opposed to the small, mostly family-owned businesses it was intended to support. These funds were meant to be a lifeline, not a corporate handout. In fact, [Speaker Nancy Pelosi has sent letters](#) to the Secretary of the Treasury and Small Business Administrator, asking them for guidance that would allow big equity firms and VC to access SBA loans, which are critical to your survival.

HVACR contractors should not have to compete with Wall Street for SBA loans!

ACCA is demanding that policymakers exclude these types of firms from being eligible for relief funds meant for small businesses. Like individuals that will not be receiving \$1,200 checks if they make more than \$99,000, large firms that are financially stable should not be allowed to exploit taxpayer dollars in a time of crisis. The funds are there for small businesses that need to fulfill their obligations, like rent, payroll, and utilities, as soon as possible. You can get involved by [sending a letter to your representatives in government](#).

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