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Garfield County Public Health  
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## COMMUNITY NOTICE

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### Governor asks CDPHE to move all counties in the Red Level on the COVID Dial into Orange, effective January 4

GARFIELD COUNTY, CO – On December 30, the Governor's office [announced on Twitter](#) that it is asking Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) to move all counties currently under the Level Red to Level Orange on the state's COVID-19 dial. This would become effective Monday, January 4, 2021. The governor is making this move in response to a 13-day downward trend in cases statewide, and a plea from counties that are suffering economically.

This move would allow counties to reopen restaurants for indoor dining at 25% capacity (or 50 people) and gatherings would increase to no more than 10 people from two different households. Gyms would also see a capacity increase from 10% to 25% capacity.

According to the directive given by Garfield County Board of County Commissioners, Garfield County is currently enforcing up to Level Orange on the COVID-19 dial with variances in place.

The Garfield County variances in [English](#) and [Spanish](#) are listed on the [COVID orders/resources page](#) on the Garfield County [website](#).

Guidance for Garfield County Businesses:

- Please verify the current policies in the municipality of your location.

- Individual businesses may choose to continue to follow the Level Red guidelines as set forth in the State Public Health Order 20-36 third amended.
- By opting to continue to operate under Level Orange, your business will be required to display signage provided by Garfield County Public Health stating such until January 4. Signage can be found on the [orders](#) and [flyers](#) page.
- Businesses may also consult with private attorneys about individual risks in continuing to operate under orange restrictions prior to January 4.

### **How can I stay up to date on Garfield County COVID testing, vaccine information and data?**

Garfield County Public Health is posting frequent updates in the news media, on Facebook [@garfieldhealth](#), and on our [website](#) on the [COVID & Public Health page](#). To navigate to the COVID & Public Health page from the main Garfield County site, click the red COVID & Public Health rectangle at the top of the page. Sign up to be notified about Garfield County COVID news at [garfieldcounty.net](#).

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