If you are interested in setting up a parking lot dining area, please contact the Rancho Cucamonga Fire District at RCFire@CityofRC.com or at (909) 477-2770.
# Parking Lot Dining - FAQs

## What?
State and local Health Department regulations have limited the capacity of interior dining areas in response to COVID-19. Outdoor parking lot dining areas are *temporary installations* that may be proposed by a business in order to allow for increased capacity to serve patrons normally handled in an interior dining area.

## Where?
Any parking space normally utilized by a business, with the exception of handicap spaces.

## How Big Can They Be?
Three (3) parking spaces per 1,000 square feet of total business lease area, including any dining rooms, kitchens, bathrooms, etc. For example, a 2,000 square-foot restaurant may use up to 6 parking stalls for parking lot dining.

## Does it need to be Enclosed?
All parking lot outdoor dining areas must be protected by both a vehicle barrier (to prevent cars from intruding into the space) and a visual barrier (to allow people to clearly see the space). A vehicle barrier can be a concrete wheelstop, or a K-rail. Visual barriers must be at least 36 inches high for visibility. wrought iron or vinyl fences are some of the few materials that are considered visual barriers.

**NOTE:** Temporary signs may be placed on the fence (or similar barrier) without a Temporary Sign Permit.

## Entrance and Exits?
Aside from the main entrance and exit into the space, an emergency exit with a minimum width of 36 inches is required.

## Can I put shade structures?
Any shade structures such as umbrellas or tents must be significantly anchored and fixed in place. Please contact us with your proposal.

## Is Lighting Required?
Any parking lot dining area that is used during the evening hours require lighting. Power may be obtained from a variety of sources such as running a power line from inside your business, or connecting to a parking lot light. Please contact us with your proposal.

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The City cares about the well being of your business! We understand that each space is unique and may require a unique set of solutions. If you are interested in setting up an outdoor dining area, please contact the Rancho Cucamonga Fire District at RCFire@CityofRC.us or at (909) 477-2770