

# Athens-Clarke County Business Categories for 2nd Declaration of Local Emergency Order on March 19, 2020

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**“Businesses” includes for-profit, non-profit, and private educational institutions**

## Not Considered Essential

*Minimum Basic Operations only, meaning:*

- *The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business’s inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.*
- *The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.*

*These businesses can continue to mail goods and products to customers*

- Barber Shops (at store locations)
- Bars
- Beauty Supply Stores
- Call Centers (unless providing support for an essential service)
- Event Facilities
- Fitness Centers / Gyms
- Flower Stores
- Furniture Stores
- Hair Salons (at store locations)
- Martial Arts Studios
- Music Venues
- Nail Salons
- Pet Groomers (at store locations)
- Retail Clothing Store
- Tobacco/Vape Stores

## Essential Businesses

*Social distancing is required, meaning maintaining at least six-foot social distancing from other individuals, washing hands with soap and water for at least twenty seconds as frequently as possible or using hand sanitizer, covering coughs or sneezes (into the sleeve or elbow, not hands), regularly cleaning high-touch surfaces, and not shaking hands.*

- Airlines
- Apartment Leasing Offices
- Attorneys
- Automobile-related (gas stations, parts, repair, sales/dealerships, service, supplies)
- Banks
- Call Centers (supporting essential services)
- Cell Phone Stores
- Childcare Providers (specific requirements)
- Churches / Religious Institutions (Constitutionally protected, strongly encouraged to hold video or online services and to follow White House directives of less than 10 people together)
- Coffee Shop (delivery or carry-out only)
- Construction Services
- Convenience Stores
- Delivery Services (businesses that deliver or ship groceries, food, goods, or services directly to home)
- Dentists
- Drycleaners
- Educational Institutions, including private K-12, colleges, and universities (for facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions)
- Electricians

- Exterminators
- Farmer's Markets
- Financial Institutions
- Food Banks
- Food Cultivation Stores (including farming, livestock, and fishing)
- Funeral Homes
- Funeral Services (strongly encouraged to follow White House directives of less than 10 people together)
- Garden Centers
- Gas Stations
- Grocery Stores (includes stores that sell groceries and products necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences)
- Gun Stores
- Hardware Stores
- Healthcare Operations (doctors, dentists, vision services, dermatology, etc.)
- Home Services (services that allow for the safe and clean operation of homes and businesses)
- Home-based Personal Care (for adults, children, pets, or seniors)
- Hotels/Motels
- Infrastructure (public works construction, construction and all related activities, airport operations, water, sewer, gas, electrical, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste collection and removal, internet, and telecommunications systems)
- Insurance Companies, Adjusters, Agents, and Related Personnel
- Janitorial Services
- Laundromats
- Laundry Service Providers
- Lawn Maintenance Services
- Mail & Shipping Services (including post office boxes)
- Manufacturers
- Media Services (newspaper, print, radio, television)
- Office Supply Stores (businesses that supply essential support or materials to work from home)
- Package Stores (drive-thru or parking lot or curbside delivery only)
- Pawn Shops
- Pet Stores
- Plumbers
- Professional Services (accounting, legal, real estate services, etc)
- Real Estate Companies
- Residential Facilities (shared rental units and similar facilities and shelters for adults, children and seniors)
- Restaurants (delivery or carry-out only)
- Ride-hailing / Delivery Services (Lyft, Taxi, Uber)
- Security Companies
- Social Services (business providing food, shelter, and other necessities for those in need)
- Sporting Goods Stores
- Staffing Companies
- Thrift Stores
- Vitamin Stores