

City of Milwaukee, 10 neighboring municipalities close bars, restaurants to in-house patrons

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Eleven Milwaukee County municipalities have closed bars and restaurants to in-house patrons hours ahead of the St. Patrick's Day festivities that typically pack customers into those establishments.

The order allows restaurants with take-out and delivery options to continue those services while their dining rooms are temporarily closed. Liquor, beer and wine sales also will be carry-out and delivery only in the communities impacted by the order.

The move goes further than the order Gov. Tony Evers issued yesterday banning gatherings of 50 or more people. The gov's directive requires bars and restaurants to operate at 50 percent of capacity or a maximum of 50 people, whichever is less. The order also directs restaurants and bars to keep at least 6 feet between tables, bar stools and ordering counters.

The Milwaukee County communities joining in the order to close bars are: Milwaukee, South Milwaukee, St. Francis, Bayside, Brown Deer, Cudahy, Fox Point, Glendale, River Hills, Shorewood and Whitefish Bay.

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The 11 said in a statement, "We are in unprecedented times, and that calls for unprecedented actions."

Meanwhile, Milwaukee County has closed all golf courses and dog parks while asking those using the County Transit System to limit non-essential bus travel and maintain extra space between them and other riders when they must use the

system.

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