

Employer Guidance for Oklahoma's Open Up and Recover Safely Plan

Pet Care Businesses: Pet Groomers & Mobile Pet Grooming

- **May reopen for appointments only beginning April 24, 2020**
- Must adhere to strict sanitation and disinfecting protocols and social distancing guidelines

Recommended Guidelines for Temperature Checks & Employer Policies

Pet Grooming Salons and Mobile Groomers should consider use of a touchless infrared thermometer to check the temperature of employees each day. Employees with a temperature above 100.4°F are recommended to be sent home until they have no fever and no evidence of COVID-19 symptoms. Employers should consider implementing flexible sick leave and supportive policies and practices for employees and consider needs of employees older than 65 years or in other vulnerable populations.

Sanitation & Disinfecting Guidelines

- Use disinfectants and sanitation products that are EPA-registered and labeled as bactericidal, viricidal and fungicidal for tools and implements used in pet grooming salons.
- Clean tools and implements regularly with soap and water before disinfecting them.
- Replace disinfectants regularly.
- Regularly clean and sanitize surfaces that customers come into contact with such as chairs, door knobs, point of sale equipment, handles, writing implements etc.
- All salons/shops and mobile pet grooming businesses should be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected prior to reopening. Disinfect all surfaces, tools, and linens, even if they were cleaned before the salon/shop was closed.
- Employees should frequently wash their hands after the using the phones, computer, cash register and/or credit card machine. Wipe these surfaces between each use.
- Encourage the use of applications like Apple Pay that do not require any interaction between your customer and your surfaces.

Maintain Social Distancing At All Times

Spacing between persons in the grooming salon should be at least six feet, except when multiple staff need to assist with larger pets.

- If possible, maintain at least six feet between each grooming workstation.
- Consider offering curbside pick-ups and drop-offs to further maintain social distancing and minimize unnecessary physical contact.
- Consider staggering appointments so that waiting areas have minimal congestion
 - Staggering of appointments also gives adequate time to properly clean and disinfect in between clients.

- Be conscious of how many people are in your waiting area and be responsible about keeping those numbers low.
- Wash hands regularly with soap and water and consider using personal protective equipment such as gloves or face masks if coming into contact with customers.
- If wearing gloves, wash hands after removing gloves and discard used gloves.
- Consider using hand lotions to keep skin intact from frequent hand washing.

Consider providing hand sanitizer to customers.