

GUIDANCE DOCUMENT #8 MUNICIPAL- EOs – June 2, 2020

The following is the list or index of Executive Orders which are pertinent to municipalities. We have tried to tie together EOs by subject matter.

Remote Open Meetings and “In-Person” Participation		
EO	EO	Title/Subject
1.	7B.1 (3.14.20)	Suspension of In-Person Open Meeting Requirements ¹
2.	7I.13 (3.21.20)	Suspension of In-Person Budget Adoption Requirements for Municipalities (See, EO 7B.1) ²
3.	7I.14 (3.21.20)	Suspension of In-Person Budget Adoption Requirements for Regional Boards of Education (EO 7B.1) ³
4.	7I.16 (3.21.20)	Suspension of In-Person Filing Requirements Related to Municipal Planning, Assessment and Taxation Provisions (EO &B.1) ⁴
5.	7S.7 (4.1.20)	<p>Allowance of Suspension of In-Person Voting Requirements for Critical and Time Sensitive Municipal Fiscal Deadlines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supplemental, additional of special appropriations; Tax anticipation notes; and Municipal general obligation bonds or notes <p>Note: Appearance of the Reduction of Risk Proviso⁵</p>
6.	7Z.7 (4.14.20)	In-Person Attendance Requirement Suspended for Assessment Appeals

¹ See, CCM/COST/CT COG Guidance #1 + # 2 (3/18 + 31/20) (“Guidance”)

² See, Guidance #2, 5 + 6 (3/31 and 5/4 + 14/20)

³ See, Guidance #2 (3/31/20)

⁴ See, Guidance #3 (4/9/20) and FAQ, p. 50.

⁵ See, Guidance #3 + 6 (4/9 + 5/14/20)

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7.	7CC.1 (4.21.20)	<p>Applicability of EO 7S.7 to Additional Critical and Time-Sensitive Municipal Fiscal Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application for grants, funding or gifts; • Approval of CBAs; • Transfer of funds to or from capital to reserve accounts; • Investment of funds in pensions, trusts, retirement programs or post-employment benefit funds; or, • Financial actions required by contract or agreement or court order⁶.
8.	7HH.1 (5.1.20)	Clarification of EO 7I.13 – Mandatory Suspension of In-Person Voting Requirements by Members of the Public on Modification of Certain Permitted and Approval Processes for Outdoor Activities Municipal Budgets ⁷ .
9.	7JJ.4 (5.1.20)	<p>Allowance of Suspension of In-Person Voting Requirement by Members of the Public or Critical and Time-Sensitive Municipal Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ordinances and resolutions; • Approval of contracts; or • Option, acquire, transfer, lease, dispose of or sale of real or personal property⁸.
10.	7OO.1 (5.14.20)	Procedures for Local Appointments and Elections Requiring In-Person Vote ⁹ .

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EO		Title/Subject
1.	7C.5 (3.15.20)	Extension of Budget Adoption Deadlines ¹⁰ .
2.	7C.6 (3.15.20)	Extension of Board of Education Budget Adoption Deadlines

⁶ See, Guidance #6 (5/14/20)

⁷ See, Guidance #5 (5/4/20)

⁸ See, Guidance #6 (5/14/20)

⁹ See, Guidance #7 (5/28/20) and FAQ, p. 52.

¹⁰ See, Guidance #2 (3/31/20)

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3.	7I.12 (3.21.20)	Extension of Budget Deadlines – Additional Municipal Bodies (See, EO 7C) ¹¹ .

Coordinated Government Response and Other Government Operations		
EO		Title/Subject
1.	7H.2 (3.20.20)	Coordinated Response Effort ¹² .
2.	7I.15 (3.21.20)	Extension of Municipal Deadlines and Waiver of Penalties Related to Municipal Planning, Assessment and Taxation Provisions ¹³ .
3.	7I.17 (3.21.20)	Extension of Deadlines and Modification of Public Hearing and Appeals Requirements for Assessment and Taxation ¹⁴ .
4.	7I.18 (3.21.20)	Extension of New Reporting Requirements on Property ¹⁵ .
5.	7I.19 (3.21.20)	Suspension and Clarification of Certain Municipal Procedural Requirements and Time Limitation Regarding Notice, Commencement and Holding of Public Hearings, Decisions and Appeals ¹⁶ .
6.	7J.2 (3.22.20)	Extension of Time Period for Fire Service Personnel Examinations
7.	7L.3 (3.24.20)	Suspension of Restrictions on Reemployment of Municipal Retirees
8.	7M.1 (3.25.20)	Tolling of Time Periods for Department of Transportation Final Determination on Permits

¹¹ See, Guidance #2 (3/31/20)

¹² See, Guidance #2 (3/31/20)

¹³ See, Guidance #3 (4/9/20); See also, Governor Ned Lamont, Frequently Asked Questions in the State of Connecticut's action related to COVID-19, updated 7:00 P.M. on May 27, 2020 re – EO 7I re – budget adoption (p. 49), land use applications (pp. 51 – 52) and taxation and assessments (pp. 50 – 51) (March 21, 2020); EO 7L re – vital records (March 24, 2020) (p. 48); EO 7S re – municipal tax deadline and collection efforts and in-person votes to approve large expenditure (April 1, 2020); EO 7OO re - local appointments and elections (p. 52) ("FAQ")

¹⁴ See, Guidance #3 (4/9/20)

¹⁵ See, Guidance #3 (4/9/20)

¹⁶ See, Guidance #3 (4/9/20); and, FAQ, p. 51

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9.	7M.2 (3.25.20)	Suspension of Mandatory Statutory Filing Requirements for Freedom of Information Act Appeals and Decisions by the Freedom of Information Commission
10.	7M.3 (3.25.20)	Authority to Extend Statutory and Regulatory Administrative Deadlines for 90 Days
11.	7R.5 (3.31.20)	Curbside Pickup of Alcoholic Beverages Permitted
12.	7S.6 (4.1.20)	Suspension and Modification of Tax Deadlines and Collection Efforts: a. Deferment Program; b. Low Interest Rate Program; c. Eligibility of Landlords; d. Escrow Payments; and e. Liens Remain Valid ¹⁷ .
13.	7S.8 (4.1.20)	Suspension of Reapplication Filing Requirement for the Homeowners' Elderly/Disabled Circuit Breaker Tax Relief Program and for the Homeowners' Elderly/Disabled Freeze Tax Relief Program
14.	7W.1 (4.9.20)	Tax Deferral and Interest Rate Reduction Provision of Re EO 7S.6 apply to "quasi-municipal organizations" ¹⁸ .
15.	7JJ.3 (5.6.20)	Tolling of Land Use and Building Permits Valid as of March 10, 2020 and covered by EO 7I.19 will not lapse and will toll during the Public Emergency
16.	7MM.1 (5.12.20)	Expedited Municipal Zoning Amendments and Suspension and Expedited Municipal Zoning Amendments and Suspension and
17.	7MM.1 (5.12.20)	<p>Modification of Certain Permitted and Approval Processes for Outdoor Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expedited Municipal Review of Outdoor Dining and Retail; • Outdoor Dining and Retail Allow During Emergency, subject to local enforcement review; • Minimum Parking Lifted to Facilitate Outdoor Activities; • Application Process; • Approval and Conditions; • Appeals; • Shared Lots and Expanded Spaces; • Sidewalks and Non-Vehicular Rights of Way; • Vehicular Rights of Way; • No Nonconformity Rights Bestowed; • No Application, Building or Related Fees

¹⁷ See, Guidance #4 (4/13/20), OPM Guidance and FAQ, p. 50..

¹⁸ See, Guidance #4 (4/13/20); OPM Guidance; and, FAQ, p. 50.

EO		Title/Subject
18.	7PP.2 (5.18.20)	Enforcement of Sector Rules Governing the Reopening of Businesses: (a) Local Health Director's and District Health Director's Authority to Enforce Sector Rules and, (b) Municipal Chief Executive Officer's Authority to Enforce Sector Rules.

Large Gatherings		
EO		Title/Subject
1.	7.1 (3.12.20)	Through April 30, 2020: Prohibitions of gatherings of 250 or more at social and recreational activities, including but not limited to community, civic, leisure or sporting events; parades; concerts; festivals; movie screenings; plays or performances; conventions; and similar activities. Violation of C.G.S. §28-22
2.	7D.1 (3.16.20)	Through April 20, 2020: Further Reduction of Large Crowds to 50 or more, as well as religious, spiritual or worship gatherings of such size (EO 7.1)
3.	7D.2 (3.16.20)	March 16 – April 20, 2020: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limits on Restaurant, Bar and Private Operations may only serve food and non-alcoholic beverages off-premises. Not including Class III and Class II Tribal Gaming enterprises. Governor will maintain a dialogue with federally recognized tribes on temporary closure of casino operations
4.	7D.3 (3.16.20)	March 16 – April 20, 2020: Closure of OTB Facility Operations
5.	7D.4 (3.16.20)	March 16 – April 20, 2020: Restriction on Gym, Sports, Fitness and Recreation Facility and Movie Theater Operations
6.	7F.1 (3.18.20)	March 19 – April 30, 2020: Closure of Large Shopping Malls (except for stores, pharmacies, restaurants or other establishments located within or connected to the mall, which have their own external entrances and exits separate from the general entrance to the mall): <p>Post Mall (Milford) Brass Mill Center (Waterbury) Crystal Mall (Waterford) Danbury Fair Mall (Danbury) Buckland Hills (Manchester) SoNo Collection (Norwalk) West farms Mall (Farmington) Westfield Mall (Meriden) Westfield Mall (Trumbull)</p>

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7.	7F.2 (3.18.20)	March 19 – April 30, 2020: Closure of Places of Public Amusement, indoor or outdoor, including, but not limited to, locations with amusement rides, carnivals, amusement parks, water parks, aquariums, zoos, arcades, fairs, funplexes, theme parks, bowling alleys and other family and children’s amusement attractions. Not applicable to public parks and open recreation areas.
8.	7G.4 (3.18.20)	Effective March 20 - Restriction on Operation of Barbershops, Hair Salons, Tattoo or Piercing Parlors and Related Public Businesses Prohibited
9.	7H.1 (3.20.20)	Restriction on Workplaces for Non-Essential Businesses
10	7N.1 (3.26.20)	Through April 30, 2020: Further Reduction of Large Crowds to 6 or more. Except for religious, spiritual or worship gatherings of which may remain limited to 50 (EO 7.1 and 7D.1)
11	7N.2 (3.26.20)	Restrictions on Restaurant Payment and Pickup Options: Sale of Food
12	7N.3 (3.26.20)	Further Restrictions on Retail Operations ¹⁹ : Social distancing and touchless payment Firearms transactions by appointment only
13	7T.1 (4.2.20)	Provision of Non-Essential Lodging Prohibited
14	7T.2 (4.2.20)	Further Clarification of Limits on Restaurants, Bars and Private Clubs (EO 7G.3), which addressed sales of alcoholic beverages by certain licensees, is modified to additionally permit holders of the following alcoholic liquor permits to deliver directly to consumers any sealed alcoholic liquor under the same conditions as Executive Order No. 7G permitted for pick-up and off premise consumption sales: Restaurant, Cafe, Tavern, Manufacturer Permit, Manufacturer Permit for Beer, Manufacturer Permit for Farm Winery, Manufacturer Permit for Farm Brewery, Manufacturer Permit for a Brew Pub, Manufacturer Permit for Beer and Brew Pub, Manufacturer Permit for a Farm Distillery.

¹⁹ 7N.4 and .5 re – suspension of tax on single use checkout bags (C.G.S. §22q-246a suspended through May 15, 2020. Employees not required to Bag Items in reusable bags through May 15, 2020.

		In addition, the holder of a Manufacturer Permit for Cider and a Manufacturer Permit for Apple Brandy and Eau-de-vie may be open for the sale of pick-up or delivery of alcoholic liquors as allowed under their permit types and consistent with the requirements set forth in Executive Order 7G for off-premise consumption sales by other manufacturers. The Commissioner of Consumer Protection may issue any implementing orders and guidance that she deems necessary to implement this order.
15	7V.1 (4.7.20)	Safe Workplaces in Essential Businesses
16	7X.3 (4.10.20)	<p>Extension of Closures, Distancing and Safety Measures Through May 20, 2020:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restaurants, Bars and Private Clubs (EO 7D.2); • On-site operations at OTB (EO 7D.3); • Gyms, Sports, Fitness and Recreation Facilities and Movie Theaters (EO 7D.4); • Closing of Large Shopping Malls (EO 7F.1); • Closing of Places of Public Amusement (EO 7F.2); • Imposing Safety and Distancing Measures for workplaces and non-essential businesses (EO 7H.1); • Social and Recreational Gatherings in excess of five people (EO 7N.1); and, • Restrictions on retail operations (EO 7N.3).
17	7BB.1 (4.17.20)	Effective April 20, 2020: Cloth Face Coverings or Higher Level of Protections Required (a) in Public Wherever Close Contact is Unavoidable (approx.. 6') and (b) when using services of any taxi, car, livery, ride-sharing or mass transit or waiting at a semi-enclosed transit stop or waiting area
18	7MM.3 (5.12.20)	Liquor Service in Connecticut with Outdoor Dining.
19	7MM.4 (5.12.20)	Further Clarification of Limits on Private Clubs. Modification of EO 7G and 7T. Permit holders are permitted to deliver food prepared on premises and sealed containers of alcoholic liquor directly to consumers and to offer the same for pick-up for the members only.
20	7PP.1 (5.18.20)	<p>Phase 1 Business Reopening Pursuant to Sector Rules of DECD:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outdoor dining (Amends and extends EO 7D.2 through June 20, 2020, Affirms 7MM; and reaffirms 7N.2);

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offices (Extends EO 7H.2 through June 20, 2020, although office may open pursuant to Sector Rules; and, EO 7J.1 superseded by Sector Rules for Offices); • Retail and malls (Repeals EO 7F.1, 7N.3, 7S.1 and 7J.1) and shall operate in accord with Sector Rules for Retail and Malls. Safe Store Rules under EO 7S.1 and 7BB.1 are superseded by Sector Rules for Retail and Malls; • Museums and zoos (EO 7H.1 and 7F.2 are amended to permit operation in accord with Sector Rules for Museums and Zoos); • Outdoor recreation and other businesses (EO 7F.2 and 7H.1 are amended to permit operation in accord with Sector Rules for General Business). The remainder of EO 7F.2 except for museums and zoos, remain in effect through June 20, 2020; • Additions to businesses permitted to reopen; • Interaction of essential business guidelines, safe workplace rules and sector rules – EO 7V.1 remains in effect
21	7PP.3 (5.18.20)	<p>Large Gatherings – Extended to June 20, 2020 (EO 7D.1 and 7N.1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “For the removal of all doubt, the prohibition on gatherings of more than five (5) people shall apply to any group seated together at any of the establishments (in EO 7PP.1(a))” and any group activity permitted by the Essential Business Guide by DECD in accord with EO 7H
22	7PP.4 (5.18.20)	<p>Extension of restrictions through June 20, 2020 on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OTB (EO 7D.3); • Gyms, Sports, Fitness and Recreation Facilities and Movie Theaters (EO 7D.4) [EO 7X]
23	7PP.5 (5.18.20)	<p>Further Clarification of Limits on Restrictions on Restaurants, Bars and Private Clubs (EOs 7G, 7T and 7MM): Modified to allow for the sale of closed or sealed containers of alcoholic beverages, including mixed drinks</p>
24	7PP.6-7 (5.18.20)	<p>Limitation on Operation of Day Camps and Enhanced Health Procedures: Commencement on June 22, 2020</p>
25	7PP.8 (5.18.20)	<p>Cancellation of Resident Camp Operations</p>
26	7PP.9 (5.18.20)	<p>Limitation on the Operations of Sumer Educational Program Operated by Local or Regional Boards of Education: Commencement on June 6, 2020</p>
27	7TT.2 (5/29/20)	<p>Effective June 1, 2020: Amended Prohibitions on Large Gatherings (EO 7D.1 and 7N.1 and 7PP.3)</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indoor Social and Recreational Gatherings (EO7D.1) are permitted up to and including 10 people (EO 7TT.2.a); • Outdoor Gatherings (EO 7D.1) are permitted up to and including 25 people subject to the following restrictions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No contact sports or sports that include shared handling of objects such as balls or frisbies (EO 7TT.2a.i) ○ Attendees shall remain 6' apart, excluding immediate family members, caretakers and house old members, and, masks shall be worn when within 6", unless dining (EO 7TT.2a.ii) ○ If an organized gathering, the organizer shall demarcate 6' of spacing in the area of the gathering to demonstrate appropriate spacing for social distancing (EO 7TT.2a.iii) • Sector Rules and Essential Business Guidance imposing 5-person limit on outdoor activities are superseded. All remaining Sector Rules, Essential Business guidance or any EO or Agency shall remain in effect (EO 7TT.2b). • Effective May, 20, 2020: Religious, spiritual and Worship gatherings raised from 49 persons to (a) 25% of building capacity or a maximum of 100 people, whichever is smaller, for indoor gatherings; and, (b) to 150 people for outdoor gathers, subject to safety and social distancing measures (EO 7TT.2c). Enclosed vehicles with 6' between such vehicles, there is no numerical attendance limit, provided other laws are complied with.
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Education		
	EO	Title/Subject
1.	7.3 (3.12.20)	Waiver of 180-Day School Year
2.	7E.1 (3.12.20)	Waiver of 180-Day School Year (EO 7.3)
3.	7L.1 (3.24.20)	Continued Cancellation of School Classes Continued Cancellation of School Classes

EO		Title/Subject
4.	7N.7 (3.26.20)	Suspension of School Testing Assessment for 2019-20 School Year
5.	7R.1 (3.31.20)	Continued Funding for Board of Education
6.	7R.2 (3.31.20)	Continued Funding for Public School Staff
7.	7R.3 (3.31.20)	Preservation of Student Transportation and Special Education Providers
8.	7X.2 (4.10.20)	Continued Cancellation of School Classes Through May 20, 2020
9.	7II.1 (5.15.20)	Cancellation of School Class for Remainder of School Year