

Tri-State Govs Agree on Allowing Marinas Open During COVID-19 Epidemic (With Regulations)

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Marinas, boatyards and marine manufacturers in the tristate area will be allowed to open for personal use as long as strict social distancing and sanitization protocols are followed, Gov. Ned Lamont, New York Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo and New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy said in an announcement on Saturday.

— [an announcement](#) from Governor Ned Lamont's Office

Chartered watercraft services or rentals will not be allowed, and restaurant activity at these sites must be limited to take-out or delivery only, like anywhere else in the three states. This announcement aligns the policies of the three states on this particular service.

Governor Lamont explained that in Connecticut, this multi-state alignment is an affirmation of the state's current policy, and marinas and marina repair remain on the essential business list.

Governor Lamont said, “Our states share workforces, resources, public transit, and we all have share a connection on the water. This is yet another example of how our states have shared interests, which is all the more reason to collaborate on these kinds of decisions. This decision provides uniformity across our marinas.”

Governor Cuomo said, “Throughout this pandemic, we’ve worked closely with our friends in neighboring states to implement a uniform regional approach to reducing the spread of the virus. Aligning our polices in this area is another example of that strong partnership, and will help ensure there is no confusion or ‘state shopping’ when it comes to marinas and boatyards.”

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Governor Murphy said, “We’ve committed to working with our regional partners throughout this crisis to align our policies when and where appropriate. A unified approach is the most effective way to alleviate confusion for the residents of our states during the ongoing public health emergency.”