



LANDSCAPING SERVICES LIMITED TO MAINTENANCE AND PEST CONTROL OPERATIONS ONLY

Pursuant Executive Order 202.8, all non-essential businesses in NY State are required to reduce their in-person work force by 100%. The Executive Order gave Empire State Development (esd.ny.gov) the sole authority to determine which types of businesses and activities are considered “essential”.

Regarding landscaping services, Empire State Development advised that only maintenance and pest control work are considered “essential.” Cosmetic work – for example new planting – is considered non-essential

Per the Empire State Development Guidance Maintenance are those items that promote safety and sanitation.

Permitted

Lawn Mowing

Spring Cleanup

Hedge Trimming

Not Permitted

New Plantings

Mulching

Removal of Plants (non-safety related)

Landscape maintenance crews are required to maintain social distancing standards of Six Feet (6’).

Visit <https://esd.ny.gov/guidance-executive-order-2026> to view the latest guidance from Empire State Development on essential businesses.

E-mail covid19faq@westchetsergov.com if you have questions on COVID-19. Responses can be sent in both English and Spanish.