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The Massachusetts Gaming Commission Votes to Temporarily Suspend Operations at Encore Boston Harbor, MGM Springfield and Plainridge Park Casino

Today the Massachusetts Gaming Commission voted unanimously to temporarily suspend operation at the state's three casino properties, including Encore Boston Harbor, MGM Springfield and Plainridge Park Casino.

In response to the coronavirus pandemic, the decision was made in collaboration and cooperation with our licensees to safeguard the health and well-being of casino guests, employees, and regulators.

As we all continue to navigate this unprecedented and rapidly evolving situation, our agency and our licensees will remain in close consultation with public health authorities and government officials to determine safe protocols for resuming operation. As we develop the appropriate course of action, we will keep you informed of next steps. This decision will be re-assessed in two weeks, while an orderly shutdown process is actively underway. It is anticipated that the gaming floor will close to patrons at 5:59am on March 15, 2020.

We are all doing our best to appropriately and thoughtfully respond to this highly complex and unprecedented set of circumstances and uncertainties. United in a shared goal of preventing the spread of infection, the MGC and our licensees view this immediate mitigation measure as our social responsibility to prioritize the health and safety of one another above all else.

We encourage you to visit [massgaming.com/covid19](https://www.massgaming.com/covid19) for the latest information as we continue to determine a path forward. Thank you for your understanding.



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