



UFCW Local 555 Recommendations
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This list presumes that grocery stores will remain open for the public good thus Grocery Workers safety is community safety.

Grocery Worker Protections

1. Grocery Workers should be treated as First Responders because of continued almost unlimited exposure to the general public. This should include testing for the public good.
2. Grocery Workers with COVID 19 should presumptively be accepted as Workers Comp.
3. Two weeks unencumbered sick leave; normal benefits are incredibly limited.
4. No retaliation for employees who express concern because immunocompromised family or themselves.
5. Employers provide protective gear to all employees.
6. No suspension of current worker protections; these protections are necessary now more than ever.
7. BAN REUSABLE BAGS.

Community Protections

1. Limit pharmacy employee exposure to public (allow for longer windows); Allow Pharmacy Techs to work from home when possible.
2. Designated sanitation worker at all times doing continual cleaning.
3. Security staff (will become more necessary as time passes).
4. Limits on number of people in stores at one time.
5. Six foot distance between individuals.
6. Space out check stands when possible (Instead of 1,2,3 open 1,3,5).
7. Close self checkouts.
8. Waive disposable bag fees.