

Total Solar Eclipse 2024- Tips for Preble County Businesses



Eclipse Begins: Monday, April 8th, 2024 - 1:52pm

Eclipse Ends: Monday, April 8th, 2024 - 4:25pm

Anticipated Community Impact Days: Friday, April 5th- Tuesday, April 9th

Eye Safety:

- Must wear/use special filters or eclipse glasses. Eclipse glasses, must be this kind: **ISO 12312-2**
- Use until the sun is totally blocked AND as soon as the sun becomes unblocked again.
- Need special apps/filters to view safely or take pictures with phones, cameras, telescopes, etc.
- Consider purchasing eclipses glasses or viewers for your staff and/or visitors ahead of time.

Traffic: Traffic can become congested, especially right after the eclipse. Delaying visitors for even an hour or two can help! Also consider ingress and egress routes for larger populations.

Things to Consider:

- Shift change- Consider changing shift changes so they don't overlap the eclipse
- Appointments/meetings- Consider delaying or re-scheduling away from April 8th & early April 9th.
- Gas, Food, Water & Trash- Supplies may be limited due to high demand. Consider getting shipments in a few days before the eclipse. Also consider any additional supplies/inventory items that may be needed. Schedule these early if possible.
- Cash- If the internet gets disrupted, credit card machines may be down. Consider other ways to receive payment such as cash.

911: Know when is appropriate to dial 911 (true emergencies). If a non-emergency, please contact the non-emergency number at: 937-456-6262.

Cellular Service: Cell service could get overwhelmed (especially Monday April 8th). Consider how to operate if cell service goes down.

Reminder from Public Health: With increased visitors comes increased trash and sanitation needs. Consider how to contain trash, allow for increased bathroom use, and help keep our community clean.

Leave No Trace®: Protect our natural community, highlighting a few of the 7 Principles to consider: Plan Ahead & Prepare, Dispose of Waste Properly, Respect Wildlife, Be Considerate of Others.

More Information:

www.eclipse.aas.org/eye-safety

www.visitpreblecounty.org/2024-solar-eclipse/

ema.ohio.gov/media-publications/ohio-total-solar-eclipse