

Thursday, June 4th, 2020 – 12:15 pm

During the Governor's press conference Tuesday he announced Phase II will begin June 5th for all areas of the Commonwealth except the Northern Virginia region and the City of Richmond.

A very brief summary of the highlights of EO65 (see EO65 for complete details):

Restaurants, dining establishments, etc.

- May operate delivery, take-out, and indoor and outdoor dining.
- Occupancy may not exceed 50% of lowest occupancy and maximum occupancy is capped at 50
- Tables must be 6 foot apart
- No self-service food
- Bar seats & congregating areas must remain closed
- Thorough cleaning every 60 minutes & between patrons

Farmers markets

- On-site shopping allowed as long as physical distancing guidelines are followed.
- Employees and vendors must wear face coverings.
- Vendors must provide hand sanitizer or hand washing stations for patrons.
- Thorough cleaning and disinfecting of frequently-contacted surfaces must be conducted.

Non-Essential brick & mortar retail

- Occupancy may not exceed 50% of lowest occupancy and maximum occupancy is capped at 50

Fitness & Exercise

- Must maintain 10 foot distance during all activities
- Occupancy may not exceed 30% of lowest occupancy and maximum occupancy is capped at 50
- Hot tubs, splash splash pads, splash pools must remain closed
- Outdoor swimming pools may open for lap swimming only, no more than 3 persons per lane & 10 foot distance must be maintained
- All shared equipment must be disinfected after each use

Personal Care/Grooming Services

- Occupancy may not exceed 50% of lowest occupancy and maximum occupancy is capped at 50
- Must maintain 6 foot distance
- No more than 2 appointments per provider at a time
- Thorough cleaning every 60 minutes & between patrons

Campgrounds

- Minimum of 20 feet between lots rented for less than 14 nights
- Patrons strongly encouraged to wear masks
- Handwashing available in bath houses and sanitation stations

Indoor Shooting Ranges (see EO65 for details)

Public Beaches

- Must maintain 6 foot distance
- Gatherings of no more than 50 people
- No group sports, alcohol, groupings of umbrellas or other activities that attract gatherings
- No entertainment or programming that generate gatherings
- All common areas that encourage gatherings, such as pavilions, gazebos, playsets & picnic areas must remain closed.
- Establish, train & deploy team to educate and promote compliance
- Perform disinfection of all bathrooms every 2 hours

- Post signage at public access points & other “cluster prone” areas providing health reminders.
- Locality shall provide daily metrics to the local health department to include beach closures, complaint incidents, police reports and number of reports of non-compliance
- Locality shall require employees and contract workers to take their temperature before reporting to work and direct such employees not to report to work if they have a fever of 100.4 or over, have chills or have been feverish for 72 hours

Race tracks (see EO65 for details)

Recreational & entertainment businesses

- Outdoor performing arts venues, outdoor concert venues, outdoor sports venues, outdoor movie theaters, museums, aquariums, zoos, and botanical gardens may reopen with restrictions.
- Occupancy may not exceed 50% of lowest occupancy and maximum occupancy is capped at 50
- Install visible markers for queue lines that separate people by six feet of physical distance.
- Thorough cleaning every 60 minutes
- Provide hand washing or sanitizing stations for guests and employees.

Public & Private social clubs (see EO65 for details)

Recreational sports

- Must maintain 10 foot distance during all activities, with the exception of incidental contact between members of same household
- Competition that involves close contact with other athletes must be avoided.
- Outdoor sports - attendees may not exceed 50% of lowest occupancy and maximum occupancy is capped at 50. For sports played on fields, attendees are limited to 50 per field.
- Indoor sports - attendees may not exceed 30% of lowest occupancy and maximum occupancy is capped at 50. For sports played on fields, attendees are limited to 50 per field. No spectators allowed except parents, guardians or caretakers supervising children.

Certain other recreational and entertainment businesses must remain closed:

- Indoor theaters, Indoor performing arts centers, indoor concert venues, and other indoor entertainment centers
- Bowling alleys, skating rinks, arcades, amusement parks, trampoline parks, fairs, carnivals, arts and craft facilities, escape rooms, and other places of indoor public amusement

Public and Private Gatherings of more than **50 are prohibited**. Presence of more than 50 individuals performing functions of their employment is not a “gathering”. Restriction does not apply to gatherings of family members.

Religious services (in person)

- Religious services must be limited to no more than 50% of the lowest occupancy load on the certificate of occupancy of the room or facility in which the religious services are conducted.
- Individuals attending religious services must be at least six feet apart when seated and must practice proper physical distancing at all times. Family members may be seated together.
- Mark seating in six-foot increments and in common areas where attendees may congregate.
- Attendees shall not pass items to other attendees, who are not family members, as defined above.
- Any items used to distribute food or beverages must be disposable, used only once, and discarded.
- A thorough cleaning and disinfection of frequently-contacted surfaces must be conducted prior to and following any religious service.
- Post signage at the entrance that states that no one with a fever or symptoms of COVID-19 is permitted in the establishment.
- Post signage to provide public health reminders regarding social distancing, gatherings, options for high risk individuals, and staying home if sick.

Institutes of Higher Education (see EO65 for detail)

Overnight summer camps (see EO65 for detail)

Face coverings are generally required by employees and patrons. See EO65 for specific requirements. Basically, EO63 (requirement for face coverings) remains in effect.

Guidelines for All Business Sectors – in addition to the items listed above and others listed in EO65, businesses must also comply with the Guidelines for All Business Sectors issued at the beginning of Phase I. (I've attached a copy for your reference).

Executive Order 55 expires at 11:59pm June 4th. EO55 was the original stay at home order.

COVID-19 Business Interruption Small Business Grant – Isle of Wight County and the Towns of Smithfield and Windsor have established the COVID-19 Business Interruption Small Business Grant Program to help businesses impacted by COVID-19 recover and reopen. This grant program is fully funded by Federal CARES Act proceeds. This grant is one-time financial assistance for eligible, for-profit small businesses (fewer than 50 employees) to reimburse the costs of business interruption related to certain sections of [Governor Northam's Executive Order 53](#). Grants are available for an amount up to \$2,000 per business. There is a limited amount of funds for this program, and the application period will close when funds are depleted. Grant applications will be processed and funded on a first-come, first-served basis upon submission of a complete application and all supporting documentation. The application will go live on the COVID-19 Grant Program website at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, June 5th. Additional information is available at: <https://www.insidetheisle.com/news/covid-19-business-resources/covid-19-small-business-grant/>