DIRECTIVE AND ORDER REGARDING COMMUNITY, RECREATIONAL, LEISURE, CULTURAL AND SPORTING GATHERINGS AND EVENTS

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-06-10-01

No. MDH 2020-06-10-02

I, Robert R. Neall, Secretary of Health, finding it necessary for the prevention and control of 2019 Novel Coronavirus (“SARS-CoV-2” or “2019-NCoV” or “COVID-19”), and for the protection of the health and safety of patients, staff, and other individuals in Maryland, hereby authorize and order the following actions for the prevention and control of this infectious and contagious disease under the Governor’s Declaration of Catastrophic Health Emergency.

1. Professional Sports Gatherings and Events

   A. All professional sports gatherings and events may resume sporting and other customary operations, but may not open to the general public as of 5:00 P.M. on June 12, 2020 for outdoor activities and 5:00 P.M. on June 19, 2020 for indoor activities.

      Note: This includes motor-cross and car racing.

   B. The total number of persons permitted in an indoor sports facility at any one time shall not exceed 50% of that indoor sports facility’s Maximum Occupancy as defined in Executive Order No. 20-06-10-01.

   C. All individuals within an indoor sports facility shall maintain six feet social distancing whenever possible.

   D. To the extent possible, individuals engaged in the sport and at the venue shall wear a face covering, especially when social distancing is not feasible.

2. Youth and Amateur Sports Gatherings and Events

   A. All youth and amateur sports gatherings and events may resume sporting and other customary operations as of 5:00 P.M. on June 12, 2020 for outdoor activities and 5:00 P.M. on June 19, 2020 for indoor activities. These sports gatherings and events may not open to the general public.

   B. The total number of persons permitted in an indoor sports facility at any one time shall not exceed 50% of that indoor sports facility’s Maximum Occupancy as defined in Executive Order No. 20-06-10-01.
C. All individuals within an indoor sports facility shall maintain six feet social distancing whenever possible.

D. To the extent possible, individuals engaged in the sport and at the venue shall wear a face covering, especially when social distancing is not feasible.

3. Community, Recreational, Leisure, and Cultural Gatherings and Events

A. Concerts, shows, and any other community, recreational, leisure and cultural gatherings may resume performances and other customary operations, but no audiences as of 5:00 P.M. on June 12, 2020 for outdoor activities and 5:00 P.M. on June 19, 2020 for indoor activities.

B. Convention events may resume operations at 50% of the facility’s Maximum Occupancy as defined in Executive Order No. 20-06-10-01 as of 5:00 P.M. on June 19, 2020.

C. Outdoor parades, festivals, fundraisers may resume with appropriate social distancing as of 5:00 P.M. on June 12, 2020.

4. Severability

If any provision of this Directive and Order or its application to any person, entity, or circumstance is held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, all other provisions or applications of this Directive and Order shall remain in effect to the extent possible without the invalid provision or application. To achieve this purpose, the provisions of this Directive and Order are severable.

THIS DIRECTIVE AND ORDER IS ISSUED UNDER MY HAND THIS 10TH DAY OF JUNE 2020 AND IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

Robert R. Neall
Secretary of Health