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Gov. Kemp's Newest Executive Order Changes Rules for Some Businesses

The governor, in his most recent Executive Order dated May 12, 2020, allows some businesses to expand their services, others must remain closed for now.

Restaurants may now allow 10 patrons per 300 square feet of public space and allows party sizes of up to 10 people, an increase from a maximum of six. The list of 39 rules outlined in his previous Order remain in place.

Bars, nightclubs, live performance venues and amusement parks are to remain closed through May 31.

For childcare facilities, the newest executive order now allows 20 children in a single classroom. The current ratio of staff-to-children requirement must be maintained. Day camps can resume beginning May 14 but must meet 32 mandatory criteria. Overnight camps are not allowed.

Gyms and fitness centers have a long list of rules including screening employees. Patrons using the facilities must be checked for any signs of the coronavirus and have their temperature checked at each visit. The facility must provide antibacterial wipes and hand sanitizers plus all equipment must be wiped down with every use.

The new Order renews a number of regulations including social-distancing requirements and limits on large gatherings. Residents over 65 and those deemed "medically fragile" are to shelter at home until June 12.

In his Order Gov. Kemp strongly encourages all residents and visitors to wear face coverings when they are away from home, except when eating, drinking or exercising outdoors.

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