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DREYER ANNOUNCES FURTHER EASING

Bus Tours and Choir Practices will be authorized again in Rhineland-Palatinate effective June 10

Effective June 10 a new corona ordinance will go into effect with further loosening of restrictions: bus tours and meetings of up to ten people will be allowed again and choirs will be authorized to practice again.

This is what State Prime Minister Malu Dreyer (SPD) announced on Tuesday after a meeting with representatives of the head organizations of the communities in Rhineland-Palatinate. The ordinance will go into effect June 10 and will allow bus tours and ship cruises; besides that wellness areas in hotels and vocational resorts will open again – under observance of hygiene provisions. "Everything related to tourism will be open by that time", said Dreyer.

Meetings of up to ten Persons will be possible

Meetings of up to ten persons will also be possible again in public regardless from what households. Previously only meetings of members of two households were authorized. Another topic which Dreyer referred to is the fact that choirs may practice again effective June 10, but they must comply with strict provisions. The choir association also put forth a strict plan said the prime minister. A distance of three meter must be observed between singers. Music for brass instruments will

also be possible again, added Fritz Bechtel, second alternate chairman of the county congress.

Alternate Chairman of the County Conference: our goal is to have regular Instructions after the Summer Recess

In a discussion with SWR Brechtel said their goal is that schools and CDC return to regular operation as quickly as possible. Schools should resume normal operations after the summer recess if possible. He announced that communities would see to it that outings for the youth should be arranged for. However, prerequisite for all these measures is a positive trend with infection numbers

Public Houses may open until midnight

The next step of easing brings something new for gastronomy businesses: operating hours can be extended until midnight. Currently restaurants and pubs must close at 10.30 p.m. Besides that the requirement to make reservations will cease. Further the rule that one person will be allowed per every 10 square meter will not be driven by the size of the location of the event any more.



On Tuesday Malu Dreyer (SPD) announced further easing of restrictions in the state chancellery

During the coming weeks planned easing for events will be on the agenda. Since May 27 outdoor events of up to 100 people have been authorized under observance of strict restrictions; this rule will be extended up to 250 people. Effective that date indoor events of up to 75 people will be authorized again.

Acclaim for Cooperation between Federation, State and Communities

Positive infection numbers were the reason for further scheduled easing said Dreyer. "We only had one new case today." Dreyer highlighted that the pandemic is well under control; this is because all levels execute their responsibilities: the federation, the states and the communities. "This will only work out because we cooperate with each other very well." And this is what we want to stick to.

As of June 2, 8.48 p.m.