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### **MEETING OF STATE PRIME MINISTERS WITH CHANCELLOR**

**Contact Restrictions will further apply – large Gatherings not authorized**

**Large gatherings will be forbidden until the end of October with exceptions. This is what the state prime ministers agreed upon in their meeting with the chancellor in Berlin. Contact and hygiene restrictions will also remain valid.**

The state prime ministers want to stick to proven measures in the fight against spreading of corona virus. Contact and hygiene restrictions as well as rules for physical distancing still apply.

### **No Fairs, no Festivals featuring shooting Matches, no ‘Wine Festivals’**

Besides that, large events are not authorized for the time being. The state prime ministers want to develop joint procedures concerning school operations and intend to return to regular school lessons after summer recess to the widest extent possible. This is what was agreed upon during their first personal meeting with Chancellor Angela Merkel (CDU) after the beginning of corona crisis.

"We are able to effect easing, but we must not decide head over heels", said the Prime Minister of Bavaria, Markus Soeder (CSU).

### **A joint Course after many Controversies**

Prime Minister of the State of Bavaria, Markus Soeder said after the meeting that he sees the federation and the states sailing together on a good course. General rules and the basic philosophy are supported by all. During the past weeks and months there have often been controversies among prime ministers about easing of restrictions.

### **The most important decisions:**

#### **Contact restrictions are imposed henceforth**

A minimum distance of 1.5 meter, heightened hygiene provisions as well as the requirement to wear face coverings in certain public areas will still continue. Contact restrictions also will stay in effect.

#### **No large events until the End of October**

Large events will not be authorized until the end of October, but there will be exceptions, e.g. when contact tracking and compliance with hygiene rules will be possible.

#### **Regular School Operation after Summer Recess**

All schools should return to regular operations after summer recess. This will be applied provided that development of infections remains to be continuously positive.

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