

## North Carolina Governor Extends Certain COVID-19

### COVID-19 Response Resource Center: Timely Counsel for your Business

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Today, Governor Roy Cooper issued a new Executive Order 220 extending certain COVID-19 response measures. Among other things, the new Order extends Executive Order 215, which lifted many COVID-19 restrictions, but left in place some face covering mandates. The new Order, which is effective through July 30, 2021, does not change the lifting of mass gathering and social distancing limits detailed in Order 215.

#### **What were some notable changes made under Order 215?**

- Face covering requirements were lifted in most settings.
- Capacity restrictions were lifted in all settings.
- Social distancing requirements were lifted in all settings.

#### **What notable provisions from Order 215 are extended?**

- People can continue to wear face coverings, which are recommended for unvaccinated people and for all people in large venues. Employers, business owners, and local governments may require face coverings and social distancing.
- Indoor face covering requirements from the NC Department of Health and Human Services still apply to schools, child care facilities, children's day or overnight camps, certain health care settings like long term care centers, public or private transportation regulated by the State of North Carolina and North Carolina airports, bus and train stations or stops, prisons, and establishments that are providing shelter to people experiencing homelessness.
- Local governments can implement stricter COVID-19 face covering, capacity and social distancing requirements.

#### **Some Notable FAQs about Order 215**

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FAQs for Order 215 may be accessed at [this link](#).

These FAQs provide information on a number of topics including businesses, bars, sports, concerts and outdoor events.

If you have questions, please contact Alex Elkan or Ed Turlington.

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