Regulations for the lockdown in Baden-Württemberg

Starting on February 14, 2021

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Contact restrictions
Private meetings in public or private areas only within your own household plus no more than one other individual who is not part of your household. Children in both households up to and including the age of 14 are not counted. The purpose of this regulation is to cover special hardship cases.

Regulation for child care: children from a maximum of two households may be cared for together in a permanent, family-related or neighborhood-based support community.

Compulsory mask-wearing
A medical mask must be worn in the following areas:
- In public transportation
- In stores and shops
- In the workplace, including field work
- During provision of permitted close-proximity services
- In medical practices, hospitals, and care facilities. Exception: Personnel not in direct contact with patients or residents are not required to wear FFP2/KN95/N95 masks.
- During events associated with religious practice

A medical face mask (surgical mask)
- Reduces droplets and splashes when speaking, coughing or sneezing
- External protection, no reliable self-protection
- Disposable product (disposal in residual waste)
- Labeling: DIN EN 14683: 2019-10

Respirator (FFP2 or KN95/N95)
- Protection from inhaling very fine particles and droplets
- External and self-protection
- Disposable product (disposal in residual waste)
  May be used several times under certain circumstances.
- Labeling: DIN EN 149:2001, KN95/N95

Movement restrictions
All Baden-Württemberg-wide movement restrictions are repealed. Municipalities and administrative districts are instructed to impose an overnight curfew (9:00 PM to 5:00 AM) by general disposition if the seven-day rate of new coronavirus infections from diffuse incidents is 50 or more per 100,000 residents for seven days in a row.

Education and care
- It is anticipated that day care centers will open for regular operation under pandemic conditions starting on February 22.
- Elementary schools will begin in-person instruction in alternating half-class groups starting on February 22. Mandatory attendance remains suspended.
- Remote instruction will continue at all secondary and vocational schools.
- Exceptions can be made for classes preparing for final exams that will be held in the spring and summer. These exceptions will be determined individually.
- Emergency child care remains available up to Grade 7 and for all grades at all special needs educational and counseling centers. The points of contact for this care are the local schools and day care centers.
- Music, art, and youth art schools will be closed to public traffic, but online instruction will be available.
- Adult education centers and similar institutions will close.
- Driving schools will be closed. Online instruction will be available.

Travel
Please refrain from private trips and excursions to tourist destinations.
Increased monitoring and access restrictions to everyday tourist hotspots by the local authorities

Not permitted:
- Tourist bus trips
- Tourist overnight accommodation (including camping sites)

Still possible:
- Business trips
- Travel and overnight accommodation in special cases of hardship

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**Work**
- Employers are legally obliged to provide health care to their employees.
- Work from home, if possible.
- Meetings in the context of work, services and business operations
- Legally prescribed further training, unless it can also be carried out online as well as face-to-face.
- Masks must be worn at the workplace, if the minimum distance of 1.5 meters to your co-workers cannot be maintained (including outdoors).
- Hygiene facilities to be adapted to the company's operations

**Health and social**
- Protective measures in hospitals, nursing homes, facilities for seniors and the disabled.
- No isolation of those affected.
- Acceptance of costs of regular SARS-CoV2 rapid tests for patients and visitors.
- Regular, mandatory tests of nursing staff in aged care and nursing homes.

**Retail trade**
The retail trade remains closed.

**Only stores with products for daily needs will remain open:**
- Baby stores
- Bakeries and pastry shops
- Banks
- Butchers
- Drugstores
- Dry cleaners and laundromats
- Food banks
- Gas stations
- Grocery stores
- Health food stores
- Hearing aid acousticians
- Liquor stores
- Magazine and newspaper kiosks
- Medical supply stores
- Motor vehicle and bicycle workshops as well as spare parts sales
- Opticians
- Orthopedic shoe technicians
- Phone shops for repairs, replacements and troubleshooting
- Post offices and parcel shippers but without selling other goods
- Specialty baby stores
- Travel and customer centers for public transport
- Weekly markets
- Wholesalers

**Specifics:**
- Closed retail stores may provide delivery services.
- Closed retailers may provide pickup services (click & collect). As such, fixed time slots must be agreed for pickups. Hygiene regulations on site must be adhered to and waiting lines avoided.
- Handicraft businesses that do not provide any services in close physical proximity may continue to operate.
- Stores with a mixed range of goods may sell all their merchandise if their products are more than 60% for daily use. If the range of prohibited goods is predominant, the store must separate them spatially and may only sell its items for daily use.

**Regulations for open stores:**
- Stores with less than 10sqm sales area: a maximum of one customer.
- Stores with up to 800sqm: one customer per 10sqm of sales area.
- The following applies to any area beyond this: one customer per 20sqm (does not apply to food retailers).
- Masks must be worn in front of stores and in parking lots.
- Controlled access.
- Avoid waiting in lines.
Services
Closed:
- ✗ Brothels
- ✗ Cosmetic pedicure salons
- ✗ Cosmetic studios
- ✗ Massage parlors and spas
- ✗ Nail studios
- ✗ Piercing studios
- ✗ Tanning salons
- ✗ Tattoo parlors

Medically necessary services are open (even without prescription) in these areas:
- ✔ Foot care / podiatry
- ✔ Nail care
- ✔ Occupational therapy
- ✔ Physiotherapy
- ✔ Rehab exercise
- ✔ Speech therapy

Also open:
- ✔ Dog parlors and similar animal care facilities. They must be handed over with minimum physical contact and within a defined timeframe.

Starting on March 1:
Barbers and hairdressers will be able to open if the rate of infections allows. Customers must make an appointment ahead of time and reserve a time window.

Gastronomy
Restaurants, bars, clubs and pubs of all kinds will remain shut.
- ✗ Except for food to be picked up or for home delivery.
- ✗ No serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages in public spaces.
- ✗ Sales of alcoholic beverages allowed in closed containers.

Canteens must close wherever work procedures allow. Take-out food is permitted.

Events
No meetings and events in public spaces.
Exceptions:
- ✔ Court hearings.
- ✔ Meetings that serve public safety and order.
- ✔ Employee meetings.
- ✔ Exams and preparing for them.
- ✔ Weddings.
- ✔ Events that serve social welfare (e.g. child and youth assistance).
- ✔ Nomination and election campaign events, as well as associated collections of signatures.

Religious practice
Religious services and funerals (subject to hygiene requirements).
- ✔ Social distancing, hygiene measures, and mask-wearing (Germany’s “AHA” measures) remain in force throughout.
- ✔ Medical masks will be worn.
- ✔ Events involving more than ten persons must be reported to the responsible local authority at least two work days in advance. This reporting requirement does not apply to funerals.
- ✔ No congregational singing.

AHA rules:
- Keep your distance
- Practise hygiene
- Wearing a medicinal mask
- Use the Corona App
- Air regularly
Cultural and leisure activities
Cultural and leisure facilities remain closed.

Closed:
× Closed:
× Amusement parks and indoor playgrounds
× Artists’ workshops (open to the public)
× Betting offices
× Boats for excursions
× Camping and caravan sites
× Casinos
× Cinemas and drive-ins
× Circuses
× Climbing parks (inside and outside)
× Concerts and cultural centers
× Discotheques and clubs
× Folk festivals or similar
× Libraries and archives (pickups are possible)
× Museums and exhibitions
× Opera houses
× Petting zoos
× Theaters
× Toddler groups
× Trade shows
× Zoological and botanical gardens

Open:
✓ Hiking and walking
✓ Outdoor playgrounds

Sport
The following rule applies to sport and exercise in public spaces: one household plus one other person who does not belong to your household. Children up to the age of 14 are not counted.

Sport on extensive public or private sports facilities, however, is only possible either alone, in pairs or with members of your own household.

All other public and private sports facilities are closed to the public:
× Club sport facilities
× Competitive, team and contact sports facilities
× Dance and ballet schools
× Gyms of all kinds
× Swimming pools
× Thermal baths and saunas
× Yoga studios

Facilities for school sports and study may be opened.

Extensive outdoor facilities open:
✓ Dog racing grounds
✓ Equestrian facilities
✓ Golf courses
✓ Tennis courts
✓ Model airfields
The use of changing rooms or common rooms is not permitted.

Training and events of top or professional sportsmen without spectators is allowed.