

New coronavirus: gradual easing of measures

From 11 May (Phase 2)

Open or permitted



Primary and lower secondary schools



Face-to-face teaching of up to 5 students (upper secondary schools, higher education and other educational institutions)



Exams at educational institutions



Retail stores and markets



Travel agencies



Museums, libraries and archives (excl. reading rooms)



Popular sport not involving physical contact (in groups of no more than 5, no matches)



Competitive sport and professional leagues (no matches)



Restaurants for groups of 4 and families with children



Sports facilities for training



More frequent public transport services

Still applicable:



Keep your distance



Observe hygiene rules



Home office if possible

Since 27 April (Phase 1)

Open or permitted

- DIY stores, garden centres and florists
- Hairdressers and beauty salons
- Self-service facilities
- Physiotherapy and massage practices
- All procedures in all health facilities

From 8 June (Phase 3)

Expected to reopen or be permitted

- Gatherings of more than five people
- Other educational institutions
- Theatres and cinemas
- Zoos and botanic gardens
- Swimming pools
- Religious services

From 11 May

Open or permitted

- Primary and secondary schools
- Classroom teaching of up to 5 people, including the teacher (upper secondary schools, higher education and other educational institutions [driving school, language schools])
- Exams at educational institutions
- Shops and markets
- Travel agencies
- Museums, libraries, archives (excl. reading rooms)
- Recreational sports activities not involving physical contact by individuals and in groups of up to 5 people (including coach, trainer or supervisor), incl. use of sports facilities as long as precautionary measures are in place and observed.

Classroom teaching at educational institutions

The following will be allowed from 11 May:

- Classroom teaching at primary and lower secondary schools
- Classroom teaching for up to 5 people (including the teacher) at upper secondary schools, higher education and other educational institutions (driving school, language schools)

Educational institutions must draw up and put in place a set of precautionary measures to protect teaching staff, students and apprentices from infection. The educational institutions are responsible for their welfare. Further information can be found under [Recommendations for the workplace and schools](#).

Events for larger numbers of people remain prohibited. Classroom teaching at upper secondary schools, higher education and other educational institutions is expected to be possible again from 8 June. The Federal Council will take a decision on 27 May.

From 8 June

Expected to open or be permitted (pending Federal Council decision on 27 May)

- Upper secondary schools, higher education and other educational institutions
- Theatres and cinemas
- Zoos, botanical gardens, animal parks, mountain transport services
- Swimming pools (open to the public)
- Religious services
- Gatherings of more than 5 people

Rules on protection – Precautionary measures

The Federal Council has decided to ease measures for certain sectors and schools. They must comply with strict requirements to protect the health of employees, customers, teaching staff and students.

The relevant sectors and schools must draw up a set of precautionary measures to meet these requirements based on the health and worker protection principles that we have produced in conjunction with the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs SECO. These measures must be based on the principles laid down by the FOPH and State Secretariat for Economic Affairs SECO on protecting public health and workers. Schools must also cooperate with the relevant local and cantonal authorities. Businesses and schools must prepare and put in place measures to comply with social distancing and hygiene rules.

Neither the federal government nor the cantons are validate or approve these sets of precautionary measures. The businesses, institutions and schools themselves are primarily responsible for introducing these precautionary measures and not the state.

For businesses/institutions: Requirements and model sets of precautionary measures can be found on the SECO website (in [German](#), [French](#) or [Italian](#)).

For schools: 'FOPH basic principles for resuming classroom teaching at primary and lower secondary schools' (in [PDF German](#) (PDF, 204 kB, 01.05.2020), [PDF French](#) (PDF, 195 kB, 01.05.2020) or [PDF Italian](#) (PDF, 207 kB, 01.05.2020))