DPHSS Guidance Memo 2020-24

Re: Clarification for “Non-organized, contact physical activities and sports”

This document expands and clarifies allowable and unallowable activities for “Non-organized, contact physical activities and sports.”

All activities noted in this memorandum are approved, provided, that it does not promote, encourage, or become the following:

1. Organized competition;
2. Tournament;
3. League; and
4. An event resulting in the congregation of 26, or more, people.

“Congregation,” as defined in Executive Order 2020-16, is the meeting for a common and singular purpose of more than 1 person where the individuals are not members of a single household unit, which shall be limited to 25 persons, regardless of whether the individuals are of a single household unit. All other applicable provisions of the Governor’s Executive Orders are to be implemented and enforced, including social distancing, wearing of masks, and occupancy rate if the activity is held indoors.

The following activities are permissible:

1. Any sport, and other physical activities, whether physical contact is intentional or not.
2. Professional or amateur sports activity.
3. Martial arts class.
4. Instructions and demonstrations, whether for commercial purposes or not.
5. Practices.
7. Any other activity as determined by the Department of Public Health and Social Services

For further questions, please contact the Division of Environmental Health at 300-9579; 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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