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**Guidance for the Order of the Governor of the State Of Maryland:  
Expanding Child Care Access**

On March 14, 2020, Governor Hogan enacted an [emergency order](#) to expand child care access to child care for critical personnel during the state of emergency. The order provides that the State Superintendent of Schools may, upon a finding that the suspension will not endanger the public health, welfare, or safety, suspend the effect of any or all of the provisions within child care licensing regulations.

This will help ensure that child care services are available for providers of health care, emergency medical services, and law enforcement personnel while schools are closed to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Superintendent Salmon also issued [enhanced guidelines](#) for child care programs and day care facilities to follow to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

The following regulations are suspended until March 30, 2020, at which time the situation will be re-evaluated. The temporary succession of these regulations pertain to school-age children only who have been displaced from schools.

**Title 13A STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Subtitle 15 FAMILY CHILD CARE**

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Waived</b>	<b>Not Waived</b>	<b>Additional Allowance</b>
COMAR 13A.15.04 Operational Requirements	COMAR 13A.15.04.01 Hours of Care COMAR 13A.15.04.02 Age Group Enrollment COMAR 13A.15.04.03 Child Capacity COMAR 13A.15.04.04 Restriction of Operations	None	COMAR 13A.15.04.03: Programs may increase current capacity by 4 additional school-age children.
COMAR 13A.15.06 Provider Requirements	COMAR 13A.15.06.02 Training Requirements COMAR 13A.15.06.03 Provider Substitute	None	None
COMAR 13A.15.08 Child Supervision	None	COMAR 13A.15.08.01 General Supervision COMAR 13A.15.08.02 Off-Site Supervision COMAR 13A.15.08.03 Water Activity Supervision COMAR 13A.15.08.04 Overnight Care Supervision	None

**Title 13A STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Subtitle 16 CHILD CARE CENTERS**

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Waived</b>	<b>Not Waived</b>	<b>Additional Allowance</b>
COMAR 13A.16.04 Operational Requirements	COMAR 13A.16.01 Capacity COMAR 13A.16.02 Enrollment and Attendance (Subsections A, B, and D)	COMAR 13A.16.02 Enrollment and Attendance: Subsection C is not waived	None
COMAR 13A.16.06 Staff Requirements	COMAR 13A.16.06.01 Minimum Staff Age COMAR 13A.16.06.02 Staff Orientation (Subsection A, B, C, D, E, G, H, I, J, K)	COMAR 13A.16.06.02 Staff Orientation (Subsection F) COMAR 13A.16.06.04 Staff Health (Subsection B)	None

Chapter	Waived	Not Waived	Additional Allowance
	COMAR 13A.16.06.03 Suitability for Employment COMAR 13A.16.06.04 Staff Health (Subsection A) COMAR 13A.16.06.05 Directors of All Child Care Centers COMAR 13A.16.06.06 Directors of Preschool Centers COMAR 13A.16.06.07 Directors of School Age Centers COMAR 13A.16.06.08 Specific Requirements for Directors in Combined Preschool and School Age Centers COMAR 13A.16.06.09 Child Care Teachers in Preschool Centers COMAR 13A.16.06.10 Child Care Teachers in School Age Centers COMAR 13A.16.06.11 Assistant Child Care Teacher COMAR 13A.16.06.12 Aides COMAR 13A.16.06.13 Substitutes COMAR 13A.16.06.14 Support Personnel COMAR 13A.16.06.15 Volunteers		
COMAR 13A.16.08 Child Supervision	COMAR 13A.16.08.02 Supervision by Qualified Staff COMAR 13A.16.08.03 Group Size and Staffing (waived for school-age children only) COMAR 13A.16.08.04 Variations in Group Size	COMAR 13A.16.08.01 Individualized Attention and Care COMAR 13A.16.08.05 Supervision During Water Activities COMAR 13A.16.08.06 Supervision During Transportation	None

Chapter	Waived	Not Waived	Additional Allowance
		COMAR 13A.16.08.07 Playground Supervision COMAR 13A.16.08.08 Rest Time Supervision	

**Title 13A STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Subtitle 17 LETTERS OF COMPLIANCE**

Chapter	Waived	Not Waived	Additional Allowance
COMAR 13A.17.04 Operational Requirements	COMAR 13A.17.04.01 Capacity COMAR 13A.17.04.02 Enrollment and Attendance	None	None
COMAR 13A.17.06 Staff Requirements	COMAR 13A.17.06.01 Minimum Staff Age(Subsection A Only) COMAR 13A.17.06.02 Staff Orientation and Training (Subsection A, B, C, D, E, G, H, I, J, K) COMAR 13A.17.06.04 Staff Health COMAR 13A.17.06.05 Substitutes COMAR 13A.17.06.06 Support Personnel COMAR 13A.17.06.07 Volunteers	COMAR 13A.17.06.01 Minimum Staff Age (Subsection B Only) COMAR 13A.17.06.02 Staff Orientation and Training (Subsection F) COMAR 13A.17.06.03 Suitability for Employment	None
COMAR 13A.17.08 Child Supervision	COMAR 13A.17.08.02 Staff Available for Emergencies (Subsection B only) COMAR 13A.17.08.03 Group Size and Staffing COMAR 13A.17.08.04 Variations in Group Size. COMAR 13A.17.08.05 Supervision During Water Activities COMAR 13A.17.08.06 Supervision During Transportation	COMAR 13A.17.08.01 Individualized Attention and Care COMAR 13A.17.08.02 Staff Available for Emergencies (Subsection A only)	None

Chapter	Waived	Not Waived	Additional Allowance
	COMAR 13A.17.08.07 Playground Supervision COMAR 13A.17.08.08 Rest Time Supervision		

**Title 13A STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Subtitle 18 LARGE FAMILY CHILD CARE**

Chapter	Waived	Not Waived	Additional Allowance
COMAR 13A.17.04 Operational Requirements	COMAR 13A.17.04.01 Hours of Care COMAR 13A.17.04.02 Child Capacity COMAR 13A.17.04.03 Enrollment and Attendance COMAR 13A.17.04.04 Restriction of Operations	None	COMAR 13A.17.04.02 Child Capacity: Programs may increase current capacity by 4 additional school-age children.
COMAR 13A.17.06 Provider and Staff Requirements	COMAR 13A.17.06.01 Minimum Staff Age COMAR 13A.17.06.02 Staff Orientation (Subsection A, B, C, D, E, G, H, I, J, K Only) COMAR 13A.17.04.06.04 Staff Health COMAR 13A.17.06.05 Child Care Home Directors COMAR 13A.17.06.06 Family Child Care Teachers COMAR 13A.17.06.07 Aides COMAR 13A.17.06.08 Substitutes COMAR 13A.17.06.09 Support Personnel COMAR 13A.17.06.10 Volunteers	COMAR 13A.17.06.02 Staff Orientation (Subsection F Only) COMAR 13A.17.06.03 Suitability for Employment	None
COMAR 13A.17.08 Child Supervision	COMAR 13A.17.08.02 Supervision by Qualified Staff COMAR 13A.17.08.03 Group Size and Staffing (Waived for school age children only)	COMAR 13A.17.08.01 Individualized Attention and Care	None

Chapter	Waived	Not Waived	Additional Allowance
	COMAR 13A.17.08.04 Variations in Group Size	COMAR 13A.17.08.05 Supervision During Water Activities COMAR 13A.17.08.06 Supervision During Transportation COMAR 13A.17.08.07 Playground Supervision COMAR 13A.17.08 Rest Time Supervision	