

Suffolk County Gym and Fitness Center Reopening FAQ's

Q: When can I open my gym/fitness center?

A: Monday, August 24th for commercial gyms/fitness centers (businesses whose main activity is generating revenue from gym/fitness operations) including martial arts, Zumba and Yoga Studios.

Hotel, office, higher education, office and residential gyms (gyms/fitness centers that serve as an amenity) will be allowed to reopen on August 31st.

Q: What businesses are included in this guidance?

A: Please refer to the guidance located [here](#), beginning on Page 1

Q: Where can I obtain a copy of the inspection checklist?

A: Sample inspection checklist is available [here](#)

Q: What is the process to have my business inspected (as required for reopening)?

A: Inspections can be completed prior to your reopening OR within 2 weeks of your reopening date. Inspections are expected to begin Monday, August 24th

- In order to get your inspection completed:
- Review the [“New York State Interim Guidance for Gyms and Fitness Centers During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency”](#)
- For each facility location, [affirm to Following the “New York State Interim Guidance for Gyms and Fitness Centers During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency”](#)
- Develop your Safety Plan, if you don't already have one
 - [New York State Safety Plan Template](#)
- Ensure facility is ready to meet the NYS Interim Guidance for Gyms and Fitness Centers
- In approximately ~3 business days from your NYS Affirmation being submitted, you will receive Inspection Email with your Inspection Date
 - If you need to reschedule, call 311
- On the day of your scheduled inspection, the inspector will call the phone number listed in NYS Affirmation to confirm your inspection and provide a more detailed time window.

Q: Can I open my gym/fitness center before inspection?

A: Yes, you will be allowed to open based on the applicable reopening dates, but will be required to be inspected within a two week time frame from reopening indoor activities

Q: How do I reschedule my inspection?

A: Business Owners can contact 311

Q: I completed my NYS Affirmation, but haven't gotten an email about my inspection, what do I do?

A: Business Owners should receive an email with a scheduled inspection date within 3 business days from submitting their NYS Affirmation. If 3 business days have passed and you have not received any correspondence from Suffolk County regarding your inspection, please call 311.

Q: How long will the inspection take?

A: Inspections are expected to be approximately 1 hour in length

Q: Can my business be operating during the inspection?

A: Yes.

Q: Must masks be worn by everyone even if socially distanced inside the facility?

A: Please refer to NYS Guidance [here](#) beginning on page 1.

Q: Is it required to prescreen all that enter the facility each time they enter?

A: Yes, all entrants should complete the COVID attestation every time they use the facility.

Q: How do meet the required HVAC system/ ventilation guidelines for reopening?

A: Guidance is available [here](#) beginning on page 9.

Q: How long will these guidelines be in place?

A: These guidelines will be in place until new guidance is provided by New York State. Please check the [NY Forward](#) website or [Suffolk County's Business Recovery Unit](#) for updated information as it becomes available.

Q: How can I contact someone with additional questions or concerns?

A: You can contact the county with additional questions by dialing 311 or emailing business.recovery@suffolkcountyny.gov