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THE QUARANTINE LAW, CAP. 260

Decree by virtue of article 6(a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (g)

Cap. 260.
ANAK. 307
32(I) of 2003
31(I) of 2020
72(I) of 2020.

The Minister of Health, in exercising the powers conferred upon him by article 6(a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (g) of the Quarantine Law, Cap. 260 and by the Decision of the Council of Ministers dated 02 September 2021, hereby issues the following Decree:

Whereas protecting the public health and the health care system is the responsibility of the Republic and for imperative urgency arising from the epidemiological data with the aim of preventing the spread of COVID-19, protecting public health and preventing a possible collapse of the health system due to the spread of the virus, taking into consideration the requirements in human resources and logistical infrastructures necessary to cope with the rapid spread of the virus and whereas the taking of requisite measures has become imperative; and

Government
Gazette, Annex
III (I):
23.3.2020.

Whereas by Notice published in the Government Gazette of the Republic, upon authorization by the Council of Ministers, the Minister of Health has declared the local districts of Nicosia, Limassol, Larnaca, Famagusta and Paphos as being infected with Covid-19, pursuant to article 4 of the Quarantine Law, Cap. 260; and

Whereas, taking into consideration that by 6 September 2021, 79.3% of the population received the first dose of the vaccine and 75% completed the vaccination scheme, but at the same time from 1 September until 6 September 2021, 1.394 cases have been recorded with the average rate of persons hospitalized daily fluctuating between 130 and 150 patients per day, and given that during the above period 13 deaths of patients have been recorded with the COVID-19 disease being the ultimate cause of death and that the percentage of positive results from the diagnostic testing fluctuates between 0.4% and 0.6%, the following Regulations shall apply for the Districts of Nicosia, Limassol, Larnaca, Famagusta and Paphos:

Short title.

1. This Decree shall be cited as the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decree (No. 35) of 2021.

2. As of 8 September 2021 at 5.00 a.m., Regulation 12 of the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decree (No. 34) of 2021 is abolished and replaced with the following new Regulation 12:

«12. The occupancy rate in private hospitals should not exceed 80%, except for the Intensive Care Units where the occupancy rate should not exceed 70%. ».

3. As of 9 September 2021 at 05.00 a.m., paragraph (a) of Regulation 16 of the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decree (No. 34) of 2021 is abolished and replaced with the following new paragraph (a):

«(a) The operation of schools of all levels throughout the school year, including schools of special education, as well as nurseries, kindergartens and children's clubs, is governed by the health protocols of the Ministries of Health, Education, Culture, Sports and Youth, and Labour, Welfare and Social Insurance and persons aged 12 and above shall hold either a negative COVID-19 laboratory or a negative antigen rapid test performed within 72 hours, or a certificate of vaccination against COVID-19 for at least one dose and provided that three weeks have elapsed after the date of vaccination, or a certificate of recovery from COVID-19 and provided that a period of six months has not elapsed since the date of the initial positive diagnosis:

It is noted that, only for the purpose of attending school, students of public high schools and the respective classes of Private Schools of Secondary Education, who are under the age of 12, shall hold either a negative COVID-19 laboratory or a negative antigen rapid test performed within 72 hours, or a certificate of recovery from COVID-19 and provided that a period of six months has not elapsed since the date of the initial positive diagnosis:

It is also noted that, only for the purpose of attending school, students of private and public schools of primary education, who have reached 12 years of age, are not required to hold a negative COVID-19 laboratory or a negative antigen rapid test performed within 72 hours, or a certificate of vaccination against COVID-19 for at least one dose and provided that three weeks have elapsed after the date of vaccination, or a certificate of recovery from COVID-19. ».

4. As of 9 September 2021 at 05.00 a.m., paragraph (f) of Regulation 16 of the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decree (No. 34) of 2021 is abolished and replaced with the following new paragraph (f):

«(f) persons aged 12 and above who fall within the provisions of paragraphs (b) to (e) hereof, and practice sports either in indoor or outdoor sports facilities, or participate in sports events, should hold either a negative Covid-19 laboratory test or a negative antigen rapid test performed within 72 hours, or a certificate of vaccination against COVID-19 for at least one dose and provided that three weeks have elapsed after the date of vaccination or a certificate of recovery from COVID-19 and provided that a period of six months has not elapsed since the date of the initial positive diagnosis:

It is understood that the possession of the EU Digital COVID Certificate is accepted for check purposes. ».

5. This Decree shall enter into force upon its publication in the Government Gazette of the Republic.

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