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PART I

REGULATORY ADMINISTRATIVE ACTS

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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 3 March 2022, 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 2 March 2022, 88.3% of the adult population received at least one dose of the vaccine and 85.0% completed the vaccination scheme, but at the same time from 17 February until 02 March 2022, 24.751 cases have been recorded, while the average rate of persons hospitalized daily is around 150 patients per day, and from 17 February until 02 March 2022 42 deaths of patients have been recorded with COVID-19 being the ultimate cause of death, and because there are indications as to the 'Omicron' variant's increased transmissibility and until the full evaluation of the variant's epidemiological data on an international level and because there is an increased risk of re-infection after recovery from COVID-19 within a timeframe of less than six months, the following Regulations shall apply for the Districts of Nicosia, Limassol, Larnaca, Famagusta and Paphos:

Government
Gazette, Annex
III (I):
4.3.2022.

1. This Decree shall be cited as the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) (Amendment) Decree (No. 14) of 2022 and it will be read in tandem with the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the

Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decree (No. 13) of 2022 (which shall be cited henceforth as “the basic decree”) and the basic decree and this Decree will be jointly cited as the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decrees (No. 13) and (No. 14) of 2022.

Amendment of Regulation 18 of the basic decree.

2. Paragraph (3) of Regulation 18 of the basic decree shall be amended by adding right before the word ‘supermarkets’ (first line), the word ‘pharmacies’ and a comma.

Amendment of Regulation 35 of the basic decree.

3. Paragraph (d) of Regulation 35 of the basic decree shall be amended by deleting number ‘3’ (third line) and replacing it with number ‘4’.

Amendment of Regulation 61 of the basic decree.

4. Regulation 61 of the basic decree shall be amended as follows:

(a) by adding, in paragraph (3)(b) thereof, right after the word ‘hold’ (first line), of the phrase ‘a valid’, and

(b) by adding, right after the end of paragraph (3) thereof, of the following new paragraph (4):

« (4) Subject to the guidelines of the Ministries of Health and Education, Culture, Sports and Youth, for teachers of private and public primary schools and public and private secondary schools and who are close contacts of confirmed positive cases, who:

(a) Are required by the health protocols of the Ministry of Health to remain in mandatory self-confinement, may undergo daily for a period of seven consecutive days from the date of the close contact, a rapid antigen detection test and, if the test result is negative, go to the school facility:

Provided that, if they choose to remain in mandatory self-confinement, their days of absence shall be counted as regular leave of absence,

(b) hold a valid certificate of completed vaccination for COVID-19 or a valid certificate of recovery from COVID-19, shall undergo a rapid antigen detection test on the third and fifth days from the date of close contact:

Provided that persons who have received a booster dose of the vaccine are excluded from the provisions of this subparagraph.”

Amendment of Regulation 79 of the basic decree

5. Paragraph (4) of Regulation 79 of the basic decree shall be amended by adding, right after the word ‘supermarkets’ (third line), the word ‘pharmacies’ and a comma.

6. This Decree shall enter into force immediately upon its publication in the Government Gazette of the Republic, except Regulation 4(b), which shall enter into force as of 14th March 2022.

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Minister of Health

