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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 17 February 2022, 88.1% of the adult population received at least one dose of the vaccine and 84.8% completed the vaccination scheme, but at the same time from 9 until 16 February 2022, 17.843 cases have been recorded, while the average rate of persons hospitalized daily is around 170 patients per day, and from 9 until 16 February 2022 28 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):
18.2.2022.

1. This Decree shall be cited as the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) (Amendment) Decree (**No. 11**) of 2022 and will be read together with the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread

of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decree (No. 10) of 2022 (which will now be cited as 'the basic decree' and the basic decree and the present Decree will be cited together as the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decrees (No.10) until (No.11) of 2022.

Amendment of Regulation 30 of the basic decree.

2. Regulation 30 of the basic decree is amended by deleting the second proviso and replacing it with the following new proviso:

"Provided further that, in respect of catering establishments within hotels and for holding events in the venues/premises governed by this Regulation, the provisions of Regulations 9 and 31 shall be complied with mutatis mutandis."

Replacement of Regulation 31 of the basic decree.

3. Regulation 31 of the basic decree is deleted and replaced by the following new Regulation 31:

"31. The operation of catering establishments (restaurants, taverns, cafes, cafeterias, pubs, snack bars and bars, coffee shops, catering establishments in shopping centres, hotels and tourist accommodation, canteens, as well as any other catering establishments serving the public in other premises, and/or sports clubs, cultural clubs, associations, clubs, etc.), shall be governed by the guidelines of the Ministry of Health, with a maximum number of 500 persons in total, either indoors or outdoors, subject to the distancing measures laid down in the health protocols and subject to the following conditions:

(a) For catering establishments with a capacity of 150 persons or more, which include a dance floor, the following shall be observed:

(i) by presenting, for persons 12 years of age or older, of a negative laboratory test (PCR) or rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, with sampling having been carried out within 15 hours,

(ii) by presenting, for persons aged 6 to 11 years, of a negative laboratory test (PCR) or rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, with sampling having been carried out within 7 days:

Provided that for persons under 6 years of age, the presentation of a negative laboratory test (PCR) or rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, is not required,

(b) for all other catering establishments, regardless of capacity, the following shall be observed:

(i) presentation of a valid certificate of completed vaccination for COVID-19, or a valid certificate of recovery from COVID-19; or

(ii) presentation, for persons aged 6 to 11 years, of a negative laboratory test (PCR) or rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, with sampling having been carried out within 7 days; or

(iii) presentation, for persons who cannot be vaccinated due to a medical condition, of the medical certificate issued by the Ministry of Health and a negative laboratory test (PCR) for COVID-19 or a rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, with sampling having been carried out within 7 days; or

(iv) presentation, for persons aged 12 years and over, of a negative laboratory test (PCR) or rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, with sampling having been carried out within 24 hours:

Provided that for persons under 6 years of age, the presentation of a negative laboratory test (PCR) or rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, is not required,

(c) the maximum number of persons per table is twelve (12) persons,

(d) the provisions of Regulation 9 shall be complied with for the carrying out of events in the venues/premises governed by this Regulation."

Replacement of Regulation 32 of the basic decree.

4. Regulation 32 of the basic decree is deleted and replaced by the following new Regulation 32:

“32. The operation of night clubs, banquet halls, including banquet halls within hotels and tourist accommodation, discotheques, entertainment venues and music and dance halls, shall be governed by the guidelines of the Ministry of Health, with a maximum number of 500 persons in total, either indoors or outdoors, subject to the distancing measures laid down in the health protocols and subject to the following conditions:

(a) For venues/premises governed by this Regulation, with a capacity of 150 persons or more, the following shall be observed:

(i) by presenting, for persons 12 years of age or older, of a negative laboratory test (PCR) or rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, with sampling having been carried out within 15 hours,

(ii) by presenting, for persons aged 6 to 11 years, of a negative laboratory test (PCR) or rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, with sampling having been carried out within 7 days:

Provided that for persons under 6 years of age, the presentation of a negative laboratory test (PCR) or rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, is not required,

(b) for venues/premises governed by this Regulation, with a capacity of less than 150 persons, the following shall be observed:

(i) presentation of a valid certificate of completed vaccination for COVID-19, or a valid certificate of recovery from COVID-19; or

(ii) presentation, for persons aged 6 to 11 years, of a negative laboratory test (PCR) or rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, with sampling having been carried out within 7 days; or

(iii) presentation, for persons who cannot be vaccinated due to a medical condition, of the medical certificate issued by the Ministry of Health and a negative laboratory test (PCR) for COVID-19 or a rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, with sampling having been carried out within 7 days; or

(iv) presentation, for persons aged 12 years and over, of a negative laboratory test (PCR) or rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, with sampling having been carried out within 24 hours:

Provided that for persons under 6 years of age, the presentation of a negative laboratory test (PCR) or rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, is not required,

(c) the maximum number of persons per table is twelve (12) persons,

(d) the provisions of Regulation 9 shall be complied with for the carrying out of events in the venues/premises governed by this Regulation."

Amendment of
Regulation 83 of
the basic
decree.

5. The second proviso of Regulation 83 of the basic decree is deleted and replaced by the following new proviso:

“Provided further that the checks falling under the provisions of Regulations 9, 10(2) and 11 shall not be carried out through the electronic application "CovScanCyprus".”

6. The present Decree shall take effect on 24 February at 10.00 a.m.

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