

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS

ANNEX III

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, Larnaka, Famagusta and Paphos as being infected with Covid-19, pursuant to article 4 of the Quarantine Law, Cap. 260; and

Whereas, although there are indications as to the 'Omicron' variant's increased transmissibility and because there is an increased risk of re-infection after recovery from COVID-19 within a timeframe of less than six months, nevertheless, an evaluation of the epidemiological data shows that the variant causes milder symptoms, and despite the increased numbers of positive cases, the numbers of hospitalised cases are stable and manageable, the following Regulations shall apply for the Districts of Nicosia, Limassol, Larnaka, Famagusta and Paphos:

Government
Gazette, Annex
III (I):
13.5.2022
20.5.2022.

1. This Decree shall be cited as the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) (Amendment) Decree (No. 22) of 2022 and shall be read together with the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decrees (No. 20) and (No. 21) of 2022 (which shall be cited from now as 'the basic decree') and the basic decree and this Decree shall be cited together as the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decrees (No. 20) until (No. 22) of 2022.

Amendment of Regulation 5 of the basic decree.

2. Paragraph (1) of Regulation 5 of the basic decree is amended as follows:

(a) By adding immediately after the word "presentation" (second line), the phrase ", for persons 6 years of age and above,",

(b) by deleting the phrase "within 24 hours" (fourth line) and replacing it with the phrase "within 48 hours".

3. Paragraph (2) of Regulation 5 of the basic decree is abolished and replaced by the following new paragraph (2):

“(2) For visits of patients and their accompanying persons to outpatient clinics, medical and diagnostic centres, it is required that persons 6 years of age and above present a valid certificate of completed vaccination or a valid certificate of recovery from COVID-19 or a negative laboratory test (PCR), with the sampling having been carried out within 72 hours, or a rapid antigen detection test for COVID-19, with the sampling having been carried out within 48 hours.”

Amendment of Regulation 6 of the basic decree.

4. The first provision of paragraph (1) of Regulation 6 of the basic decree, is abolished and replaced by the following new provision:

“Provided that a maximum of two persons per visit is allowed, with a maximum of four persons visiting per day per occupant.”.

Government Gazette, Annex III (I): 13.5.2022

5. Regulation 34 of the basic decree is abolished.

Amendment of Regulation 39 of the basic decree,

6. Regulation 39 of the basic decree is abolished and replaced by the following new Regulation:

“39. The use of protective face masks is compulsory for all employees and visitors aged 12 and over, in the indoor premises of state and private hospitals, outpatient clinics, medical and diagnostic centres, nursing homes and other care and accommodation facilities for the elderly and vulnerable groups and rehabilitation centres, as well as in public transport, except in cases specified in guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health.”.

Government Gazette, Annex III (I): 13.5.2022

7. Regulation 40 of the basic decree is abolished.

8. Paragraph (3) of Regulation 41 of the basic decree is abolished.

9. This Decree shall enter into force on 1st June 2022 at 05.00 a.m.

MICHALIS HADJIPANTELA,
Minister of Health

