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### COVID-19 (TEMPORARY MEASURES) ACT 2020 (ACT 14 OF 2020)

#### COVID-19 (TEMPORARY MEASURES) (CONTROL ORDER) (AMENDMENT NO. 3) REGULATIONS 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 34(1) of the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Act 2020, the Minister for Health makes the following Regulations:

#### **Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations are the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 2020 and come into operation on 15 April 2020.

#### **Amendment of regulation 2**

2. Regulation 2(1) of the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) Regulations 2020 (G.N. No. S 254/2020) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended —

(a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “management corporation”, the following definition:

““mask” includes any paper, textile or plastic covering designed or made to be worn over the nose and mouth to provide the wearer protection against infections or air pollution;”;

(b) by inserting, immediately after the word “vehicle” in the definition of “permitted premises”, the words “or aircraft”;

(c) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “public path”, the following definition:

““room” means any area within a building that is fully enclosed on all sides;”;

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- (d) by inserting, immediately after the words “backpackers’ hostel” in the definition of “specified hostel”, the words “, boarding house or guest house”; and
- (e) by deleting the full-stop at the end of the definition of “subdivided building” and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following definition:

““symptomatic case” means an individual who is febrile or shows any specified symptom.”.

### **Amendment of regulation 3**

3. Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately after the word “body” in paragraph (a), the words “, save where provided expressly”.

### **New Part 1A**

4. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 3, the following Part:

“PART 1A

#### **BASELINE RESTRICTION**

#### **Masks must be worn when outside**

3A.—(1) Every individual —

- (a) must wear a mask over the individual’s nose and mouth at all times when the individual is not in his or her ordinary place of residence; and
- (b) must ensure that every child of 2 years of age and above and who is escorted by the individual, wears a mask over the child’s nose and mouth at all times, when not in the child’s or individual’s ordinary place of residence.

(2) However, paragraph (1) does not apply —

- (a) when the individual or child is engaging in any strenuous physical exercise;

*Examples of strenuous exercise*

Jogging or running but not walking.

- (b) when lawfully directed by a person to remove the mask in order to ascertain the identity of the individual or child;
- (c) when travelling in a motor car or van alone or where the driver and every other passenger in the motor car or van ordinarily lives with the individual in the same place of residence; or
- (d) when carrying out, in the course of employment, an activity that requires that no mask may be worn, or that it must be removed in order that other equipment may be worn or used, to carry out that activity.

*Examples*

Welding or diving.”.

**Amendment of heading to Part 2**

5. Part 2 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE” in the Part heading and substituting the word “INDIVIDUALS”.

**Amendment of regulation 4**

6. Regulation 4 of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the words “Subject to paragraph (3)” in paragraph (2), the words “and regulation 5”;
- (b) by deleting the words “paragraphs (3A) and (3B)” in paragraph (3) and substituting the words “paragraph (3A)”;
- (c) by deleting sub-paragraph (d) of paragraph (3) and substituting the following sub-paragraphs:
  - “(ca) if any of the following circumstances exist, to bring the individual’s child daily to and from the individual’s place of residence to

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the place of residence of any of the child's grandparents, for the care of the child:

- (i) the individual and the other parent or guardian of the child each works for or with a person mentioned in sub-paragraph (a);
  - (ii) the individual or the individual's spouse (if the spouse ordinarily resides in the same place of residence) is a healthcare worker;
  - (iii) the individual or the individual's spouse works for or with a person mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) and the child is below 3 years of age;
- (cb) if any of the following circumstances exist, to go to the place of residence of the individual's grandchild to care for the child:
- (i) the child's parents or guardian each works for or with a person mentioned in sub-paragraph (a);
  - (ii) one of the child's parents or the child's guardian is a healthcare worker;
  - (iii) one of the child's parents or the child's guardian works for or with a person mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) and the child is below 3 years of age;
- (cc) where sub-paragraph (ca) or (cb) does not apply, to bring the individual's child to another place of residence where the child is to be cared for, or to move to the child's place of residence to care for the child;

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- (d) to walk, run, cycle or engage in other similar exercise at any of the following places, either alone or with any other individual living in the same place of residence as the individual:
- (i) on a length of path that is a public path;
  - (ii) in a green or an open space that is managed or maintained by the Government or a public body and is accessible to the general public without payment of any fee;”;
- (d) by deleting sub-paragraph (f) of paragraph (3) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:
- “(f) to assist an individual in activities of daily living where no alternative care arrangements for that individual are available, being an individual with disability, or who is 60 years of age and above;”;
- (e) by deleting the words “to the extent necessary” in paragraph (3)(i);
- (f) by deleting sub-paragraph (k) of paragraph (3) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:
- “(k) to move from the individual’s ordinary place of residence to stay in another accommodation in substitution of the firstmentioned place of residence as the individual’s ordinary place of residence;”;
- (g) by deleting paragraphs (3A) and (3B) and substituting the following paragraphs:
- “(3A) Where the individual’s ordinary place of residence is a specified dormitory or specified hostel, paragraph (3) applies subject to any

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measures implemented by the person operating or managing the specified dormitory or specified hostel in accordance with the requirements in regulation 13 or 13A, as the case may be.

(3B) Where any child has been brought from a place of residence to another place of residence under paragraph (3)(cc), an individual must not bring the child back to the firstmentioned place of residence or to any other place of residence.

(3C) Where any individual has moved from the individual's place of residence to another place of residence to care for any child in that place under paragraph (3)(cc), the individual must not move back to the firstmentioned place of residence or to any other place of residence.”; and

(h) by deleting “(3)(e)” in paragraph (4)(b) and substituting “(3)(ca), (cb), (cc), (e)”.

### **Amendment of regulation 6**

7. Regulation 6 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “a person” and substituting the words “an individual”.

### **Amendment of regulation 7**

8. Regulation 7 of the principal Regulations is amended —

(a) by deleting the words “Where an individual leaves his or her place of residence for one of the permitted purposes in regulation 4(3), the” in paragraph (1) and substituting the word “Every”;

(b) by deleting the words “public transport” in paragraph (1)(c) and substituting the words “public passenger transport services by road or rail”; and

(c) by deleting the words “or (c)” in paragraph (2).

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**Amendment of regulation 8**

9. Regulation 8 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “which is the individual’s ordinary place of residence” in paragraph (a).

**Amendment of regulation 10B**

10. Regulation 10B of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the words “as far as” in paragraph (a), the word “is”;
- (b) by inserting, immediately before the word “take” in paragraph (b), the words “as far as is reasonably practicable,”;
- (c) by deleting the words “febrile and to visually ascertain whether the individual displays any specified symptom” in paragraph (b) and substituting the words “a symptomatic case”;
- (d) by inserting, immediately before the word “obtain” in paragraph (c), the words “as far as is reasonably practicable,”;
- (e) by deleting the words “who is febrile or who exhibits any specified symptom” in paragraph (d) and substituting the words “whom the occupier knows or has reason to believe is a symptomatic case”;
- (f) by deleting the words “febrile or to display any specified symptom —” in paragraph (e) and substituting the words “a symptomatic case, do any of the following as far as is reasonably practicable:”;
- (g) by deleting the words “as far as reasonably practicable,” in paragraph (e)(i);
- (h) by deleting the word “or” at the end of paragraph (e)(ii);  
and
- (i) by inserting, immediately before the word “refuse” in paragraph (g), the words “as far as is reasonably practicable,”.

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**Amendment of regulation 11**

11. Regulation 11 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “or work from” and substituting the words “or work in”.

**Amendment of regulation 13**

12. Regulation 13 of the principal Regulations is amended —

(a) by deleting paragraph (c) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(c) that the following are applied to every individual before entering or leaving the specified dormitory:

(i) the body temperature of the individual is taken in order to determine whether the individual is febrile;

(ii) the individual is examined without physical contact to visually ascertain whether the individual shows any specified symptom;”;

(b) by deleting the words “febrile or exhibiting a specified symptom” in paragraphs (e) and (f) and substituting in each case the words “a symptomatic case”; and

(c) by deleting the words “febrile or exhibiting any specified symptom” in paragraph (e)(ii) and substituting the words “symptomatic cases”.

**Amendment of regulation 13A**

13. Regulation 13A of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “febrile or exhibiting a specified symptom” in paragraphs (d) and (e) and substituting in each case the words “a symptomatic case”.

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**New regulation 13DA**

14. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 13D, the following regulation:

**“No cross-deployment of essential service workers, etc.**

**13DA.—**(1) This regulation applies in relation to —

- (a) every essential service provider providing goods or services from 2 or more fixed permitted premises but not if the movement of its essential service workers is integral to the provision of those goods or services (such as a transporter of goods or a public passenger transport service provider); and
- (b) every individual who is authorised by an essential service provider in sub-paragraph (a) to have control or management of any permitted premises (called in this regulation a branch manager).

(2) An essential service provider, and a branch manager of an essential service provider, must not deploy, transfer or otherwise post, or cause or allow to be deployed, transferred or posted, any relevant essential service worker of the essential service provider to work in any permitted premises of the essential service provider at which the worker was not, immediately before 15 April 2020, working.

(3) In this regulation, “relevant essential service worker”, in relation to an essential service provider, means any individual —

- (a) who works with or for the essential service provider; and
- (b) whose nature of work does not require the individual to transport goods or to perform a service between different permitted premises.”.

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**Amendment of regulation 13E**

**15.** Regulation 13E(1) of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “at work at the permitted premises” in paragraph (1) and substituting the words “of the essential service provider when at work”;
- (b) by inserting, immediately after the words “as far as” in sub-paragraphs (a) and (b), the word “is”;
- (c) by deleting the words “at the permitted premises” in sub-paragraph (a); and
- (d) by inserting, immediately after sub-paragraph (a), the following sub-paragraphs:

“(aa) as far as is reasonably practicable, physical interaction between essential service workers working in the permitted premises is minimised;

(ab) as far as is reasonably practicable, every essential service worker at work wears a mask, except where regulation 3A(2)(b) or (d) applies;”.

**Amendment of regulation 13G**

**16.** Regulation 13G of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the words “as far as”, the word “is”; and
- (b) by inserting, immediately after “13D,” in paragraph (a), “13DA,”.

**Deletion and substitution of regulation 13I**

**17.** Regulation 13I of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

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**“Safe distancing requirement for transport of essential service workers**

**13I.—(1)** An employer who —

- (a) is an essential service provider; and
- (b) provides or arranges to be provided private transport by any motor vehicle for the employees who are essential service workers of the employer,

must take all reasonable steps to ensure that every such worker, when carried in that motor vehicle, is seated or standing at least one metre away from another seated or standing passenger in that motor vehicle during transport to or from their workplaces or when at work or to or from any other place permitted under regulation 4(3).

(2) The following persons must take all reasonable steps to ensure that every essential service worker, when carried in a motor vehicle, is seated or standing at least one metre away from another seated or standing passenger in the motor vehicle during transport in that motor vehicle:

- (a) a person who provides private transport by that motor vehicle for essential service workers pursuant to an arrangement with an employer of those essential service workers mentioned in paragraph (1);
- (b) a driver of that motor vehicle used to transport essential service workers pursuant to an arrangement mentioned in sub-paragraph (a).”.

**Amendment of regulation 13J**

**18.** Regulation 13J of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after “13D,” in paragraph (b), “13DA,”; and
- (b) by inserting, immediately after the words “as far as”, the word “is”.

Made on 15 April 2020.

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