

BERMUDA

PUBLIC HEALTH (COVID-19 EMERGENCY POWERS) AMENDMENT (NO. 6) REGULATIONS 2021

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Her Excellency the Governor, on the advice of the Minister responsible for health, and in exercise of the power conferred by section 107B of the Public Health Act 1949, makes the following Regulations:

Citation

These Regulations, which amend the Public Health (COVID-19 Emergency Powers) Regulations 2021 ("the principal Regulations"), may be cited as the Public Health (COVID-19 Emergency Powers) Amendment (No. 6) Regulations 2021.

Amends regulation 5

- 2 In regulation 5 of the principal Regulations—
 - (a) in paragraph (3), revoke subparagraphs (c) and (f);
 - (b) in paragraph (4), delete "(3)(c) and (ca)" and substitute "(3)(ca)"; and
 - (c) revoke paragraph (9).

Amends regulation 7

- 3 In regulation 7(1) of the principal Regulations, revoke subparagraph (a) and substitute—
 - "(a) subject to subparagraphs (ab) and (ac), the indoor areas of a restaurant shall be closed, and only outdoor dining is permitted;
 - (ab) access to toilets is permitted in accordance with guidance;

(ac) indoor dining is permitted in a hotel, provided such dining is restricted to guests only;".

Inserts regulation 8B to 8F

4 After regulation 8A of the principal Regulations, insert—

"Retail stores

8B The owner or operator of a retail store, including a grocery store, shall ensure that the number of customers in the store does not at any one time exceed 20% of the store's occupancy capacity, which shall be calculated in accordance with guidance.

Schools, Bermuda College etc

8C (1) The following shall be closed to students—

- (a) Bermuda College;
- (b) schools (private and public);
- (c) youth holiday camps.
- (2) In this regulation "school" has the meaning given in section 2(1) of the Education Act 1996.

Religious establishments

- 8D (1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), churches and all other religious establishments shall be closed to congregants.
- (2) Members of the clergy shall be permitted to enter a church or other religious establishment, provided appropriate physical distancing is maintained—
 - (a) for private prayer (maximum of five persons); and
 - (b) in order to broadcast a service via electronic means (maximum of ten persons in total to conduct the service and facilitate the broadcast).
- (3) Indoor funerals, and viewings of the deceased, are permitted with a maximum of ten mourners, plus the officiant and funeral home staff, provided appropriate physical distancing is maintained at all times.

Mandatory closures

8E (1) The following shall remain closed at all times—

- (a) indoor places of public entertainment including bowling alleys, cinemas, concert halls, church halls, auditoriums and theatres;
- (b) gyms and other sports clubs.

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(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1)(b), persons may use the outdoor facilities of a gym or sports club, provided appropriate physical distancing is maintained at all times and any groups do not exceed ten persons.

Remote working where reasonably practicable

- 8F (1) Where reasonably practicable, an employer shall arrange for his employees to work remotely from home using electronic means or otherwise.
- (2) Public officers may work remotely from home where reasonably practicable, subject to the direction of the Head of the Public Service.".

Made this 28th day of March 2021

Governor

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