

## MINISTRY OF HEALTH

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## **EMERGENCY MEASURE**

The Ministry of Health as an administrative authority competent pursuant to Section 80 (1) letter g) of the Act No. 258/2000 Coll., on Protection of Public Health, and on change of certain related acts, as amended (the "Act No. 258/2000 Coll."), adopts within procedure pursuant to Section 69 (1) letter i) and (2) of the Act No. 258/2000 Coll., in order to protect the population and to prevent danger of outbreak and spread of the COVID-19 disease caused by the new coronavirus SARS-CoV-2, this emergency measure:

I.

- 1. With effect as of March 24, 2020, 06:00 a.m. until April 1, 2020, 06:00 a.m., retail sale of goods and services in establishments is forbidden, with exceptions of the sales stores of:
  - grocery
  - fuels
  - combustibles
  - sanitary (hygienic) goods, cosmetics and other drug-store products
  - pharmacies, dispensaries and shops of medical devices
  - small pets
  - feed and other supplies for animals
  - glasses, contact lenses and related goods
  - newspapers and magazines
  - tobacco products
  - laundry and dry cleaning services
  - repair of road vehicles, if there are not more than 30 persons in the establishment at the same time
  - towing and repairing of road vehicles at the road traffic
  - sale of spare parts to road vehicles and manufacturing technologies
  - establishments allowing pick-up of goods and shipments from a third party
  - sale of garden goods including seeds
  - cash sale of tickets
  - spa facilities, provided that they provide only spa services, which are at least partially covered by public health insurance

- provision of funeral services
- florist shops
- construction and removal of buildings, design works in construction, geological works, geodetic works, testing, measuring and analysis for the construction
- dispensing and sale of medical devices
- sale of textile material and textile haberdashery
- service of computing and telecommunications equipment, audio and video receivers, consumer electronics, appliances and other household products
- real estate agency and activities of accounting advisors, bookkeeping, keeping tax records

if such goods or services are mostly sold or offered in such an establishment. This restriction shall not apply to activities that are not activities under the Trade License Act.

- 2. With effect as of March 24, 2020, 06:00 a.m., until April 1, 2020, 06:00 a.m., presence of the public in restaurant facilities, except for the establishments which are not used for the public (e.g. employee canteens, medical facility canteens, social service canteens, penitentiary facility canteens) is forbidden; such a restriction shall not apply to sales outside establishments (such as fast food restaurants with take-away windows or sale of take-away food without entering the establishment), which can be pursued without any time limitation.
- 3. With effect as of March 24, 2020, 06:00 a.m., until April 1, 2020, 06:00 a.m., operation of restaurant facilities situated within shopping malls with sales area exceeding 5000 m<sup>2</sup> shall be forbidden.
- 4. With effect as of March 24, 2020, 06:00 a.m., until April 1, 2020, 06:00 a.m., the sales of unpackaged pastry shall be permitted only if the following conditions are met:
  - It is ensured that there will not be concentration of persons in the places where pastry is picked up,
  - sales point is equipped with personal hygienic tools.
- 5. With effect as of March 24, 2020, 06:00 a.m., until April 1, 2020, 06:00 a.m., the entrepreneurs of food retail stores with self-service sale shall provide the customers with disposable gloves free of charge at each entrance to the store.
- 6. With effect as of March 24, 2020, 06:00 a.m., until April 1, 2020, 06:00 a.m., the following shall be forbidden:
  - operation of game rooms and casinos,
  - operation of driving license schools,
  - provision of taxi services, with the exception of taxi services delivering food or persons with the taxi driver license,
  - presence of the public in the self-service laundries dry-cleaning services,
  - presence of public in the sales shops of building materials, building products and hobby markets,
  - presence of the public in establishment of service providers inside and outside sports fields.

7. With effect as of March 24, 2020, 06:00 a.m., until April 1, 2020, 06:00 a.m., sale of accommodation services, with the exception of providers of accommodation services in dormitories, spa facilities and school accommodation facilities, shall be forbidden. This shall not apply to sale and provision of accommodation services to the foreigners until leaving the territory of the Czech Republic and to foreigners with work permit for territory of the Czech Republic.

II.

This emergency measure is effective on the day of its issuance.

## Rationale:

The extraordinary measure is adopted in relation to the adverse development of the epidemiologic situation of the COVID-19 disease caused by the new coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 in the Czech Republic.

The aim of the proposed changes in relation to de facto identical limitations adopted earlier by the Governmental Resolution is the effort to temporarily limit social contacts between persons to the maximum extent, with the exception of retail sales of goods and services in necessary areas, so that the community transfer of COVID-19 disease is restricted to the maximum extent.

Signature

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