

Dear Liquor Licence Holders,

Attached is the Government Gazette and the accompanying Regulations that were published on 18 March 2020.

Please refer to Section 8 of these attached Regulations. You are requested to comply with these Regulations. An extract of section 8 follows below:

Limitation on the sale, dispensing or transportation of liquor

8. (1) All on-consumption premises selling liquor, including taverns, restaurants and clubs, must be closed with immediate effect, **or** must accommodate no more than 50 persons at any time: Provided that adequate space is available and that all directions in respect of hygienic conditions and limitation of exposure to persons with COVID-19, are adhered to.

(2) All premises selling liquor which provide accommodation must implement measures to stop the spread of COVID-19: Provided that adequate space is available and that all directions in respect of hygienic conditions and limitation of exposure to persons with COVID-19 are adhered to.

(3) No special or events liquor licenses may be considered for approval during the duration of the national state of disaster.

(4) All on-consumption premises selling liquor referred to in sub regulation (1) must be closed —

- (i) between 18:00 and 09:00 the next morning on weekdays and Saturdays; and
- (ii) from 13:00 on Sundays and public holidays.

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- (ii) from 13:00 on Sundays and public holidays.

Please also refer to section 3; and extract of it follows below:

Prevention and prohibition of gatherings

3. (1) In order to contain the spread of COVID-19, a gathering is prohibited.

(2) An enforcement officer must, where a gathering takes place—

- (a) order the persons at the gathering to disperse immediately; and
- (b) if they refuse to disperse, take appropriate action, which may, subject to the Criminal Procedure Act, include arrest and detention.

(3) The assembly of more than 50 persons at premises where liquor is sold and consumed is prohibited.

Regards,

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