

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

No. 1332 of 14 December 2020 **Adopting an Emergency Measure**

In relation to Government Resolution No. 957 of 30 September 2020, whereby the Government, in line with Articles 5 and 6 of Constitutional Act No. 110/1998 Coll., on the Security of the Czech Republic, declared a state of emergency for the Czech Republic, due to the health risks related to the proven incidence of the coronavirus (identified as SARS-CoV-2) in the Czech Republic, and in line with Section 5(a) to (e) and Section 6 of Act No. 240/2000 Coll., on Crisis Management and amending certain acts (the Crisis Act), as amended, to address the current emergency situation, the Government has decided to adopt emergency measures, pursuant to Section 5(e) and Section 6(1)(b) of the Crisis Act.

Effective from 12:00 a.m. of 18 December 2020 to 11:59 p.m. of 23 December 2020, the **Government** hereby

I. prohibits

- 1. prohibition of the public's presence at catering establishment facilities (e.g. restaurants, pubs and bars), with the exception of:
 - a) facilities which do not serve the public (e.g. employee dining facilities, dining facilities for healthcare service and social service providers, at prison facilities),
 - b) school catering facilities for employees present on the workplace and children, pupils and students participating in in-person learning,
 - c) facilities at accommodation establishments under the condition that they provide meals only to accommodated persons, and only between 5:00 a.m. and 10:59 p.m.,
 - this prohibition does not apply to the sale of catering services outside of the establishment (e.g. fast food establishments with a service window or the sale of take-away food), whereas sales to customers at the location of the establishment (e.g. service window) is prohibited between 11:00 p.m. and 4:59 a.m.

2. as well as:

- a) concerts and other musical, theatre, film and other artistic performances including circuses and variety shows with an audience present, where
 - i) protective respiratory equipment for performers can be taken off only in the place of performance of the production itself and only for the time of such a production,
 - ii) if a scene includes singing, the number of performers on the stage or in rehearsal is limited in such a manner that the total number of performers cannot be higher than the number of square metres of total floor area of the stage or rehearsal area divided by four.
 - iii) in the case of musicians in all instrument groups, it is necessary to comply with distancing of at least 1.2 metres and every musician playing a string instrument should use a separate music stand, if allowed by the spatial conditions,
- the collective singing of more than 5 persons in the indoor spaces of buildings, except for their domicile, even if this involves the performance of work or business activities, unless it concerns a case in accordance with para. a) and except for preschools and children's groups;
- c) fairs and similar traditional events,

- d) congresses, educational events and in-person examinations, with the exception of practical instruction and training pursuant to Act No. 95/2004 Coll., on the Conditions of Acquiring and Recognizing Professional Qualifications and Specialized Qualifications to Perform the Medical Occupation of Physician, Dentist or Pharmacist, as amended, and pursuant to Act No. 96/2004 Coll., on the Conditions of Acquiring and Recognizing Qualifications to Perform Non-Medical Healthcare Occupations and to Perform Activities Related to the Provision of Healthcare and on the amendment of certain related laws (Act on Non-Medical Healthcare Occupations), as amended, the professional education of members of fire brigades and members of the Czech Republic Fire Rescue Brigade, and examinations, the passing of which is a condition stipulated by legal regulations to perform certain activities, provided these are not examinations which are a part of education pursuant to Act No. 561/2004 Coll., on Preschool, Primary, Secondary, Higher Vocation and other Education (the Schools Act), as amended, or Act No. 111/1998 Coll., on Universities and on the amendment and supplementation of other laws (the Universities Act), as amended; the presence of more than 10 persons at one time is prohibited, whereas if the examination is public pursuant to legal regulations, the presence of more than 3 additional members of the public is prohibited.
- e) trade fairs,
- f) gaming rooms, casinos and betting shops;
- g) the operation and use of sports grounds in the indoor premises of buildings (e.g. gyms, playgrounds, arenas, courts, rings, bowling alleys or pool halls, training equipment) and indoor premises of outdoor sports grounds, dance studios, gyms and fitness centers, sports activities at schools and educational facilities and universities, where permitted by the crisis measures, and except for sports training conducted by persons as a part of their occupation, performance of business or others similar activity as preparation for sporting events held within competitions organised by sports leagues, and sporting events which are not prohibited,
- h) the operation and use of artificial swimming areas (swimming pools, bathing pools, pools for babies and toddlers, paddling pools), wellness facilities including saunas, solariums and salt caves, if this does not involve the provision of healthcare services by a healthcare service provider,
- i) visits to and tours of zoological gardens and botanical gardens,
- j) visits and tours of museums, galleries, exhibition halls, castles, chateaux and similar historical and cultural facilities, observatories and planetariums,
- k) operation of facilities or provision of services to persons aged between 6 and 18 years specialising in activities similar to informal education pursuant to Section 2 of Decree No. 74/2005 Coll., such as particularly informal, pedagogic, recreational or educational activities, including preparation for schooling;
- 3. the provision of accommodation services, with the exception of the provision of accommodation services to:
 - a) persons engaged in the performance of an occupation, business or other similar activity.
 - b) persons who were ordered to carry out work duties according to the Crisis Act,
 - c) to foreigners until they leave the Czech Republic and foreigners with a work permit in the Czech Republic,
 - d) persons who were ordered to isolate or quarantine,
 - e) persons whose accommodation was arranged by the government, local governments or subjects established by these, for the purpose of freeing the capacities of providers of healthcare services or the providers of social services, or for assuring accommodation of homeless persons.
 - f) persons for the purpose of completing the provisioning of accommodation commencing before this Government Resolution came into effect,
- 4. the drinking of alcoholic beverages in publicly accessible places; this does not affect the possibility of drinking alcoholic beverage on the indoor premises of catering

establishments,

- 5. retail sales and the sales and provision of services in shops on public holidays and other holidays for the whole day and other days from 11:00 p.m. to 4:59 a.m., where this prohibition does not apply to activities that are not trades in accordance with the Trades Licensing Act or to the operation
 - a) of petrol stations selling fuels and lubricants;
 - b) pharmacies;
 - c) shops in places with a high concentration of passengers at airports, railway stations and bus stations:
 - d) shops at healthcare facilities;
 - e) outlets for catering services to an extent in accordance with item I/2;

II. restricts

- 1. the operation of catering establishments, where the presence of the public in the establishment is not prohibited under point I/1, in that their operators must adhere to the following rules:
 - a) customers are seated so that there is a distance of a least 1.5 metres between them, except for customers sitting at one table,
 - b) there may be a maximum of 4 customers seated at one table, except for members of the same household; if the table is long, more customers may be seated at it, so that there is a distance of at least 2 metres between groups of a maximum 4 customers, except members of the same household,
 - d) the operator must not allow a greater number of customers into the indoor premises of the establishment than the number of seats available to customers in the indoor premises of the establishment; the operator is obliged to keep a written record of the current number of seats for customers,
 - e) prohibition of live music and dance productions.
 - f) the option of wireless internet connection for the public will not be provided,
- 2. the operation of catering establishments so that in the case of sales from catering establishments outside of their indoor premises (e.g. dispensing windows), the person consuming food and meals including beverages purchased here (with the exception of alcoholic beverages, the drinking of which in public is prohibited) in the immediate vicinity of the establishment are obliged to maintain a distance of at least 2 meters from other persons, if these are not household members;
- 3. the operation of musical, dance, acting and similar social clubs and discotheques, in that public presence at these venues is prohibited,
- 4. the operations of shopping centres with a sales area exceeding 5,000 m², in that:
 - a) the use of rest areas (chairs, lounges, benches, etc.) will be restricted so that people do not gather in these places.
 - b) the option of a wireless internet connection for the public will not be provided;
 - c) the operator must ensure at least one person to supervise the observance of the following rules and encourage customers and other persons to observe them,
 - d) the following instructions for customers are disclosed to customers and other persons primarily through information signs, posters, on displays, intercoms, etc.,
 - e) the operator will ensure the visible posting of instructions to maintain a distance of 2 metres between persons in the publicly accessible areas of the shopping centre (e.g. by means of infographics, commercials on the centre's radio, infographics at the entrance to stores and other facilities, infographics on the floors of public areas, etc.),
 - f) gathering of persons will be restricted, particularly in areas where this can be expected, e.g. in the underground garages, areas in front of elevators, escalators, travellators, bathrooms, etc.,
 - g) the operation of children's corners is prohibited,
 - h) the operator will ensure maximum possible air circulation with the intake of outdoor air

(ventilation or air-conditioning) without air recirculation in the building,

- i) promotional activities where there is a person present to ensure their progress are prohibited at stores,
- j) sales from catering service establishments located in a shopping centre are only possible through a service hatch or as takeaway,
- 5. operation of farmer's markets and other outdoor markets and marketplaces, whose activity is not prohibited under point I/5, in that their operators must observe the following rules:
 - a) a distance of a least 4 metres must be ensured between stands, tables or other points of sale.
 - b) there must be no more than 1 person on 15 m² of the area of the farmer's market at any one time.
 - c) containers with disinfectants must be placed at every point of sale,
 - d) the operation of catering services and serving of meals including beverages for direct consumption is prohibited; this does not affect the option of the free provision of meals within pre-Christmas or Christmas charitable events,
 - e) there is a prohibition against tables and places to sit,
- 6. the operation of libraries, in that dispensing of other than pre-ordered loans and their returning via a service window or by other contactless means is prohibited;
- 7. operation of hair salons, establishments for cosmetics services, massages, pedicures and manicures in such a manner that an establishment cannot contain more than 1 customer per 15 m² of the establishment's space that is accessible to the public, where children of up to 15 are not included in the number of customers, and the customers maintain distances of at least 2 metres between themselves.
- 8. operations in retail establishments and the sale and provision of services in such a manner that the operator complies with the following rules:
 - a) they will not allow the presence of more customers than 1 customer per 15 m² of sales area in an establishment; in the case of establishments with a sales area of less than 15 m², this restriction does not apply to a child under 15 years of age accompanying a customer or a person accompanying a customer who holds a medical disability pass; in the case of other establishments, this restriction does not apply to a child under 6 years of age accompanying a customer,
 - b) they will actively prevent customers from coming closer than 2 metres to each other, unless these are persons from the same household;
 - c) they will ensure the management of queues of waiting customers, both inside and outside the store, particularly by marking the waiting area and placing symbols indicating the minimum distance between customers (minimum distance of 2 m), whereas a customer who holds a medical disability pass has a priority right to shop,
 - d) they will provide disinfectant products by frequently touched items (particularly door handles,
 - handrails, shopping trolleys) so that these are available to employees and customers of the establishment and can be used for regular disinfection,
- e) assure the provision of information to customersabout the aforementioned rules, particularly
 - by means of informative posters at the entrance to the establishment or by stating the rules through loudspeaker announcements in the establishment,
 - f) the operator will ensure maximum possible air circulation with the intake of outdoor air (ventilation or air-conditioning) without air recirculation in the building,
 - g) promotional activities where there is a person present to ensure their course are prohibited at stores,
 - h) in the case of a person pushing a pram with a child, the operator must not oblige them to use a shopping cart to shop, and the child in the pram is not included in the total number of persons permitted to be in the sales area,

whereas the sales area refers to the part of the business premises designated for the sale

and displaying of goods, i.e. the total area accessible to customers, including dressing rooms, the area taken up by tills and displays, the area behind the tills used by the sales staff; the sales area does not include offices, warehouses and preparation areas, workshops, stairs, changing rooms and other social facilities;

- 9. operation at ski resorts, in that the operator must adhere to the following rules:
 - a) the ski lift or cable car operator will ensure queue management so that customers are sorted into separate corridors with one-way traffic, one behind another with a distance of at least 2 meters between persons, with the exception of household members; the distance between both corridors must be at least 2 meters,
 - b) the ski lift or cable car operator will ensure that chairlifts with covers are mechanically secured against closing the cover, and that the cable cars have their windows open throughout the period of operation;
- **III. cancels** Government Resolution No. 1290 of 7 December 2020, promulgated under No. 511/2020 Coll., as amended by Government Resolution No. 1295 of 10 December 2020, promulgated under No. 522/2020 Coll.

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