



Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA)

Subject: Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 4)

Due to the fast-paced spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), considered to be a dangerous communicable disease by the Announcement of the Ministry of Public Health on Names and Presenting Symptoms of Dangerous Communicable Diseases (No. 3), B.E. 2563, with increasing number of patients are being found; considering the importance of Bangkok as the centre of economy, transportation and tourism and its high population density poses greater pandemic risk of the disease; therefore, timely containment of disease and limitation of public meetings are vital to avoid large scale epidemic and decrease the possible spread of the virus in high risk public places. Moreover, in compliance with the Prime Minister's declaration of emergency situation, with the approval of the Cabinet, in all areas of the whole Kingdom between 26th March 2020 and 30th April 2020, there shall be of Regulation Issued under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situation B.E. 2548 (2005) (No. 1) dated 25th March 2020 to have additional premises posing risk of disease contagion temporarily closed.

By the virtue of Section 35(1) of the Communicable Diseases Act B.E. 2558 (2015), and regulations issued under provisions of Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situation B.E. 2548 (2005) (No. 1) dated 25th March 2020, Governor of Bangkok, with the approval of the BMA Committee on the Communicable Diseases' Meeting Resolution No. 6/2563 dated 27th March 2020, shall have the previous BMA Announcements, including Announcement on Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 2) dated 21st March, 2020 and Announcement on Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 3) dated 21st March, 2020 revoked, and the following premises in the Bangkok area shall be temporarily closed:

1. Restaurants or those selling beverage, restaurants or those selling beverage located in commercial buildings, food or beverage stalls and hawkers (to be opened for delivery and takeaway food or beverage to be eaten off the premises and restaurants or those selling beverage in the hotels are available only for the hotel guests or for delivery and takeaway food or beverage to be eaten off the premises), except the restaurants and food and beverage courts at airports and canteens at hospitals;

2. Shopping malls including shopping centers and community malls, except supermarkets, drug stores, or miscellaneous stores for necessary items, restaurants (available for delivery and takeaways only) and zones for financial banks, state agencies and enterprise offices;

3. Sitting or standing areas for dining of convenience stores;

4. Markets ...

4. Markets and flea markets (with the exception of those selling fresh food, dry food, takeaway food, pet food, pharmacies, fresh flower shops and shops selling medical supplies and miscellaneous and necessary items for living;

5. Beauty salons and barber shops;

6. Tattoo and body piercing shops;

7. Skating rings, rollerblading arenas or similar venues;

8. Amusement or theme parks, bowling or gaming arcades;

9. Gaming and internet cafes;

10. Golf courses and driving ranges;

11. Swimming pools or similar venues;

12. Cockfighting rings and cockfighting exercising rings;

13. Amulet trading markets and centres;

14. Trade fair and exhibition centres, conference centres and galleries;

15. All educational institutes and tutorial schools;

16. Weight-loss centres, medical clinics for beauty service sections and cosmetic clinics;

17. Health service centres (spas and health and beauty massage outlets);

18. Pet grooming and spa shops and pet service shops;

19. Massage parlours;

20. Baths and saunas;

21. Cinemas and theatres;

22. Fitness centres;

23. Pubs, bars and similar entertainment venues;

24. Boxing stadiums and boxing training gyms;

25. Sport venues;

26. Horse racing courses;

27. All sport arenas;

28. Playgrounds;

29. Places of entertainment, public places for performances or recreation;

30. Museums, local museums and those similar museums;

31. Public libraries, community libraries, private libraries and book houses;

32. Places providing services on meeting rooms, catering rooms, catering venues and those similar places

33. Snooker and billiards arcades;

34. Nurseries, except those operated in hospitals.

All these ...

All these exempt places according to this Announcement or any other places apart from this Announcement, relating persons shall comply with the disease prevention measures prescribed by the Government and with Clause 11 of Regulation Issued under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situation B.E. 2548 (2005) (No. 1) dated 25th March 2020.

Any person who violates or fails to comply with this Order shall be guilty of an offense under Section 52 of the Communicable Diseases Act B.E. 2558 (2015) which shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or to a fine not exceeding one hundred thousand (100,000) Baht or to both and shall be guilty of an offense under Section 18 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situation B.E. 2548 (2005) which shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to a fine not exceeding forty thousand (40,000) Baht or to both.

As this is a case where there is urgent necessity and the delay of action may cause great harm to any individual or affect the public interest, litigants shall not be given the right to object under Section 30 paragraph two (1) of the Administrative Procedure Act, B.E. 2539 (1996).

Above-mentioned premises shall be temporarily closed on 28th March 2020 onwards, except those in Clause 34, which shall be temporarily closed between 31st March 2020 and 30th April 2020.

This Order shall take effect on 28th March 2020 onwards.

Announced on 27th March 2020

Pol. Gen. (Signature)
(Aswin Kwanmuang)
Governor of Bangkok