



Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA)

Subject: Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 14)

Reference is made to the Announcement on the Extension of Duration of the Declaration of an Emergency Situation in All Areas of the Kingdom of Thailand (8th Extension) dated 23rd November 2020 with the extension of enforcement for Duration of the Declaration of an Emergency Situation in All Areas of the Kingdom of Thailand until 15 January 2021, and the Announcement of Regulation Issued under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005) (No. 15) dated 25th December 2020.

The new spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is currently found in some districts of the Bangkok Metropolis and its nearby provinces. Therefore, in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and comply implementation with the said Regulations, considered as the protection of Thailand's security and safety upon public health and prevention of the uncontrollably wider spread, by the virtue of Section 35 (1) of the Communicable Diseases Act B.E. 2558 (2015), and Regulation Issued under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005) (No. 15) dated 25th December 2020, Governor of Bangkok, with the approval of the BMA Committee on the Communicable Diseases as stated in the Meeting Resolution No. 20/2563 dated 28th December 2020, shall have the premises prone to the disease incidence temporarily closed and surveillance and control measures for the disease spread prescribed as follows:

1. Temporarily closed premises prone to disease incidence:
 - 1.1 Horse racing courses;
 - 1.2 Cockfighting rings and cockfighting exercising rings;
 - 1.3 Bullrings, fish fighting rings or other similar sport arenas;
 - 1.4 Massage parlors; and
 - 1.5 Entertainment venues or any establishments providing similar services to those of entertainment venues.
2. The following premises shall strictly comply with disease prevention and control measures for inhibiting the spread of disease annexed to this Announcement:
 - 2.1 Cinemas, theatres, and playhouses; and
 - 2.2 Premises selling food, alcoholic beverage or other beverages providing music performances or other shows for entertainment.

Any persons who violate or fail 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 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 Baht or to both, and in the case where any persons violate or fail to comply with Clause 2, premises shall be ordered to be temporarily closed.

All people are kindly requested to wear sanitary face masks or fabric masks while leaving houses.

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).

This Order shall take effect between 29th December 2020 and 4th January 2021 or until further notice.

Announced on 28th December 2020

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

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Businesses/Activities	Surveillance, Prevention and Control Measures
Cinemas, theatres and playhouses	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Clean the high touch surfaces frequently both before and after providing services and all waste must be disposed every day. 2) Business owners, service staff, and service users always wear surgical or fabric face masks. 3) Provide adequate handwashing stations with soap or alcohol-based hand sanitizer gel or disinfectants. 4) Apply social distancing of at least 1 meter while sitting or leave one empty seat between each individual, except for those who come together. 5) Limit the number of participants in each activity/event to prevent overcrowding and refrain from organizing all of sales promotion activities or other activities/events that may provide opportunity for public gathering and the state of disorder. 6) Premise owners or business owners shall register and confirm actions in accordance with the disease prevention measures specified by the Government. 7) Control all entrances and exits, provide queuing system for each round of showtime, register before and after entering the premise, and add measure on using mobile application as prescribed by the Government. 8) Have measure for basic COVID-19 symptom screening such as fever, cough, shortness of breath, sneeze or cold for business owners, service staff, and customers/service users before entering the cinema. Screening symbols shall be provided for those who pass the screening. Separate room must be provided in case that service users have symptoms and data collection and follow-up system must be set up to track all service users. At any rate, responsible government agency must be informed in case any persons who meet

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	<p>with the criteria of being “Patient Under Investigation” are found according to the specified guidelines.</p> <p>9) Arrange suitable indoor ventilation, including toilets. Anyhow, the air conditioners must be frequently cleaned and sanitized.</p> <p>10) Apply social distancing measure in queuing area of at least 1 meter while sitting or standing and provide symbol that can clearly be seen. Arrange good system before allowing service users enter or exit the cinema in order to prevent overcrowding and the state of disorder.</p> <p>11) Provide advice for service users, as well as thoroughly inspect and control service provision to avoid and reduce mass gathering.</p> <p>12) Consider developing innovation for registration before entering and leaving any premises, enter and exit system that reduce overcrowding in the premise and online booking and ticketing system in order to provide a new format of services in a long run.</p>
<p>Premises selling food, alcoholic beverage or other beverages providing music performances or other shows for entertainment</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Clean all high touch surfaces such as a microphone and toilets, both before and after services provision and all waste must be disposed every day. 2) Business owners, service staff, and service users always wear surgical or fabric face masks, except when having meals or drinking. 3) Provide adequate handwashing stations with soap or alcohol-based hand sanitizer gel or disinfectants. 4) Maintain physical distancing while seating or standing of at least 1 meter, distancing between tables of at least 2 meter or provide a minimum 1.5 meter high partitions between tables and distancing between stage and tables of at least 2 meters or provide screen instead.

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<p>Premises selling food, alcoholic beverage or other beverages providing music performances or other shows for entertainment (continued)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5) Control the number of customers/service users to prevent overcrowding, calculated based on the number of service users and room size, using the criteria of no less than 4 sq.m.² per one customer/service user. They can sit or stand in a group of not exceeding 5 persons and do not share tables with other groups of people. At any rate, the practice of avoiding contact with others must be applied, for example, service staff are prohibited to sit with customers/service users, service staff are prohibited to perform singing with customers/service users, and dancing is prohibited or allowed except the performance of singers and dancers on the stage. 6) Arrange good ventilation and air circulation in the air-conditioned entertainment venues or business establishments, including toilets. Moreover, air conditioners and air filters must be cleaned regularly. 7) Provide advice to staff and service users as well as monitor, control and supervise the provision and the use of services to strictly comply with the main control measures and, at any rate, consider not to provide service to customers/service users who do not follow disease prevention measures specified by the Government. 8) Business owners shall register and confirm actions in accordance with disease prevention measures as prescribed by the Government as well as specify capacity of customers/service users and be ready for investigation when open for service by highlighting the system to inspect the number of customers/service users as prescribed by regulations. 9) Provide a registration before and after entering the premises and add measure on using mobile application as prescribed by the Government.
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<p>Premises selling food, alcoholic beverage or other beverages providing music performances or other shows for entertainment (continued)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10) Provide screening measure for age, fever, cough, shortness of breath, sneeze or cold for business owners, service staff and service users before entering the premise. At any rate, responsible government agency must be informed in case any persons who meet with the criteria of being “Patient Under Investigation” are found according to the specified guidelines. Additionally, COVID-19 laboratory tests may be provided among the groups of staff at regular intervals as recommended by the Government. 11) Provide queuing system and waiting areas where sitting and standing line have at least 1-meter physical distance. 12) Provide a system to collect data and track all service users in case any patients or persons who meet with the criteria of being “Patient Under Investigation” is found after using the service. 13) Refrain from sitting and singing with the customers/service users, from dancing or agreeing to dance with the customers/service users and from dancing away from the table or seating area of the customers. In addition, microphone cover must be changed every time before using. 14) Consider installing a CCTV camera to record the provision and the use of services covering the whole area of the premise in order to monitor the compliance of the disease prevention measures by recording pictures and data for a minimum of 1 month. 15) Consider developing innovation for registration before entering and leaving any premises and online queue or reservation systems in order to provide a new format of services in a long run. 16) Business owners shall report the compliance result of the specified disease prevention measures to the responsible authorities in each area, based on manual and criteria for practices to create cooperation for effective disease prevention.
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