

Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) Subject: Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 36)

Reference is made to the announcement of promulgation of the Regulation Issued under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005) (No. 27) dated 10th June 2021 from 12th July 2021 onwards, whereas it is necessary to increase the intensity of measures and serious enforcement to have the urgent situation quickly solved and improved. Measures focusing on the decrease and limit of movement and travel of persons to reduce contact between each individual are set up and used in the target areas to quickly inhibit and control the spread. The said measures are similar to those enforced in April 2020, but they are adjusted to better suit the present situation. These measures also emphasize on the limit of movement and mass gathering, and acceleration of measures on disease prevention and control, medical care, and vaccination to reduce severity of illness. At the same time, the measures are considered on account of the ability to continue the operations of basic economic system. All these measures require utmost collaboration from all sectors to overcome this crisis together.

Therefore, in order to comply with the said Regulation, 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. 27) dated 10th July 2021, Governor of Bangkok, with the approval of the BMA Communicable Diseases Committee as stated in the Meeting Resolution No. 21/2564 dated 9th July 2021, shall have the order as follows:

- 1. Premise owners and business owners shall strictly comply with the Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) on Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 34) dated 27th June 2021, and (No. 35) dated 5th July 2021, except matters which are contrary or inconsistent with this Announcement, this Announcement shall have overriding effects;
- 2. Selling food or beverage, shops selling food or beverage, including those located in shopping malls, shopping centers, community malls, trade fair centers, convention centers or exhibition halls, hotels, airports, railway stations, bus terminals, convenience stores, pushcarts, hawkers, stalls, or any other establishments with selling of food or beverage, can be opened for operations only for takeaway service until 08.00 p.m., while consuming food or beverage at the said shops is still not allowed;
- 3. Shopping malls, shopping centers, community malls, or other similar establishments can be opened for operations until 08.00 p.m., and only services on selling necessary consumer goods can be opened for operations, as well as medicine and medical supplies, supermarkets, tools and building materials, banks, financial institutes or financial securities corporation, telecommunication business, post and parcels, services on repair and maintenance, services on vaccination or other medicine and public health, and offices of the Government or private sectors;

- 4. Convenience stores, flea markets, all-night markets and walking streets can be opened for operations until 08.00 p.m. Regular hours for services of convenience stores, which generally provide services during night time, shall be limited, and the said convenience stores shall be closed for services between 08.00 p.m. and 04.00 a.m. of the next days;
- 5. Public parks, sport fields, sport venues or places for exercises located in the open can be opened for operations until 08.00 p.m.;
- 6. Establishments for Thai traditional massage (including foot massage services), spas, cosmetic clinics for beauty service, and health related establishments shall be closed for operations.

Beauty salons and barber shops can still be opened for operations under previously announced conditions and shall strictly comply with disease prevention measures prescribed by the Government;

7. Organizing activities with gathering of total attendees over 5 persons is prohibited, and shall be in accordance with prohibitions and exceptions under the Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) on Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 34) dated 27th June 2021.

For activities with gathering of attendees which were granted permission to organize by competent officials under previous announcements, in case where the activities are intended to be organized during this period, responsible persons of the said activities shall submit the request for permission from competent officials for inspection and review of disease prevention measures for organizing activities to suit the changing time and situations, and shall comply with guidelines prescribed by the Operation Center of CCSA;

8. Schools, educational or training institutes shall comply with measures previously announced.

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.

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 from 12th July 2021 onwards.

Announced on 10th July 2021.

Pol. Gen. (Signature)

(Aswin Kwanmuang)

Governor of Bangkok

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