



Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA)

Subject: Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 50)

Reference is made to the Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) on Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 49) dated 8th January 2022.

The Regulation Issued under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005) (No. 42) dated 21st January 2022 was later promulgated. The Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), especially the Omicron variant, is a COVID-19 virus mutation which quickly spreads and causes easier infection than other variants, and in Thailand, it has been inspected and found that the number of infected cases with such variant has been scattering at different areas nationwide. However, with the cooperation of public sectors in complying with the efficient disease prevention and control measures, and the serious action of local competent officials and relating agencies on public health, public administration, and public security sectors has brought the situation of the spread of COVID-19 under control. However, it is still necessary to tighten the surveillance and closely follow up the situation for controlling the spread in some risky areas where the spread in clusters is found, especially in communities or premises prone to public gathering. Therefore, it is appropriate to improve integrated control measures to be suitable and consistent with the situation so that economic and social activities can be continuously proceeded together with public health measures.

Therefore, in order to improve the measures under the Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) on Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 49) dated 8th January 2022 in compliance with the said Regulation, by the virtue of Section 34 (6) and 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. 30) dated 1st August 2021, (No. 36) dated 21st October 2021, (No. 37) dated 30th October 2021, (No. 41) dated 8th January 2022, and (No. 42) dated 21st January 2022, Governor of Bangkok, with the approval of the BMA Communicable Diseases Committee as stated in the Meeting Resolution No. 2/2565 dated 21st January 2022, shall have the order as follows:

1. Consumption of liquor and alcoholic drinks at shops selling food or beverage is allowed until 11.00 p.m. only at the venues that have passed the test and assessment according to the Amazing Thailand Safety & Health Administration at the SHA PLUS level of the Ministry of Tourism and Sports prescribed by the Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) or the COVID-19 prevention safety standard called “Thai Stop COVID 2 Plus” prescribed by Department of Health.

2. Entertainment ...

2. Entertainment venues, any establishments providing similar services to those of entertainment venues, amusement places, pubs, bars, karaoke shops where business owners or responsible persons have been in preparedness to comply with public health measures and desire to adjust the form of such venues for providing services as shops selling food or beverage, shall request for permission from the district office in charge of the area for inspecting and assessing the preparedness of premises, personnel, and management under the prescribed disease prevention and control measures before opening for services under the close supervision and follow-up of local competent officials.

Consumption of liquor and alcoholic drinks at the venues permitted to be opened for operations in the form of shops selling food or beverage under Paragraph 1, or under the Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) on Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 49) dated 8th January 2022, shall comply with measures prescribed in Clause 1.

3. Any cases apart from this Announcement, premise owners, business owners, service users, attendees and other relating persons shall still comply with the Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) on Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 49) dated 8th January 2022.

Any persons who violate or fail to comply with this Order shall be guilty of an offense under Section 51 of the Communicable Diseases Act B.E. 2558 (2015) which shall be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty thousand Baht or Section 52 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, as the case may be, 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 24th January 2022 onwards.

Announced on 22nd January 2022.

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