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*Government Notice No. 185 of 2020*

EMERGENCY POWERS ACT  
(Cap. 22:04)

EMERGENCY POWERS (COVID-19) REGULATIONS  
(Cap. 22:04 (Sub. Leg.))

**Lifting of Road Transport Restrictions**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that His Excellency the President in accordance with regulation 30G of the Emergency Powers (COVID-19) Regulations, 2020, has authorised the lifting of transport restrictions. The following road transport services shall operate from 8th to 21st May, 2020 within a 60 kilometre radius of the place of operation —

- (a) taxis;
- (b) combis;
- (c) call cabs;
- (d) staff buses; and
- (e) own account:

Provided they adhere to the following conditions —

- (i) abide with Covid-19 protocols,
- (ii) public transport associations to certify readiness of vehicles to operate as per the Covid-19 protocols,
- (iii) clean the interior and exterior of the vehicles with water and soap or sanitize 2 to 3 times a day,
- (iv) a person shall not be allowed to use public transport without wearing a face mask,
- (v) loading capacity for mini bus shall be 70 per cent of seating capacity with social distancing,
- (vi) a mini bus licensed to carry 16 passengers is limited to carry a maximum of 10 passengers,
- (vii) loading capacity for taxi services shall be on special or 60 per cent of the seating capacity,
- (viii) a five seater vehicle is allowed to carry three passengers and a driver,
- (ix) loading capacity for a bus shall be 70 per cent of seating capacity with social distancing,
- (x) a mini bus permitted to carry a maximum of 22 passengers shall be limited to carry a maximum of 15 passengers,
- (xi) a bus permitted to carry a maximum of 65 and above passengers shall be limited to carry a maximum of 46 passengers, and
- (xii) public transport operators shall keep a register of all passengers on board which shall be open for inspection by the Director of Health Services or a law enforcement officer.

DATED this 8th day of May, 2020.

DR. MALAKI TSHIPAYAGAE,  
*Director of Health Services.*

*Statutory Instrument No. 74 of 2020*

EMERGENCY POWERS ACT  
(Cap. 22:04)

**EMERGENCY POWERS (COVID-19) (AFFIRMATION)  
(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2020**  
*(Published on 8th May, 2020)*

ARRANGEMENT OF REGULATIONS

REGULATION

1. Citation
2. Amendment of Cap. 22:04 (Sub. Leg.)

IN RECOGNITION of the risks posed by the COVID-19 pandemic and in exercise of the powers conferred on the President by section 3 of the Emergency Powers Act, the following Regulations are hereby made —

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Emergency Powers (COVID-19) Citation  
(Affirmation) (Amendment) Regulations, 2020.
2. The Emergency Powers (COVID-19) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations, Amendment of  
2020 (S.I. No. 72 of 2020) were affirmed by the National Assembly on 6th May, Cap. 22:04  
2020, with the following amendments at regulation 5 — (Sub. Leg.)
  - (a) by substituting for the words “The lockdown declared under subregulation (2) is hereby extended to 20th May, 2020 at midnight, under the following conditions —” in regulation (3), the words “The lockdown declared under subregulation (2) is hereby extended to 20th May, 2020 at midnight, and for the avoidance of doubt, a permit under regulation 7 (1) shall be required for the duration of the lockdown, and under the following conditions —”;
  - (b) by deleting the words “Part II of the Regulations shall apply, and” in subregulation (3) (a) (i); and
  - (c) by substituting for proviso (iv) in subregulation (3) (c) the following new proviso —
    - “(iv) in relation to a religious place of worship, there shall be two religious services per week, one to be held during the week and another to be held during the weekend, and the number of persons attending the service shall not exceed 50.”.

MADE this 8th day of May, 2020.

DR. MOKGWEETSI ERIC KEABETSWE MASISI,  
*President.*

**C.288**

PASSED by the National Assembly this 6th day of May, 2020.

BARBARA N. DITHAPO,  
*Clerk of the National Assembly.*