
**PROTECTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH (COVID-19)
(AMENDMENT) (NO.5) ORDINANCE 2022**

An Ordinance to amend the Protection of Public Health (COVID-19) Ordinance 2022

R. Thomson
ADMINISTRATOR

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BE it enacted by the Administrator of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia as follows:—

Short title and commencement

1.—(1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Protection of Public Health (COVID-19) (Amendment) (No.5) Ordinance 2022.

(2) This Ordinance comes into force on 20 June 2022.

Amendment of the Protection of Public Health (COVID-19) Ordinance 2022

2.—(1) The Protection of Public Health (COVID-19) Ordinance 2022(a) is amended as follows.

(2) In section 4 (relevant health and safety guidelines) —

- (a) after “must ensure that” insert “, where the Republic have issued”;
- (b) after “health and safety guidelines” insert “in relation to any such undertaking or operation, they”.

(a) Ordinance 04/2022, as amended by Ordinances 08/2022, 09/2022, 17/2022 and 18/2022.

- (3) Omit section 14 (folk festivals).
- (4) In section 15 (sporting events) omit subsections (1)(a), (3) and (4).
- (5) In section 18 (catering premises) omit subsection (1)(a).
- (6) In section 19 (nightclubs, reception halls, discos, music and dance venues etc) omit subsection (1)(a).
- (7) In section 21 (signage)—
 - (a) in subsection (1)(b) omit “relevant health and safety guidelines and”;
 - (b) in subsection (2)(b) omit “relevant health and safety guidelines and ”.
- (8) In section 22 (open air markets) omit subsection (a).
- (9) Omit section 23 (cinemas, theatres etc.).
- (10) In section 24 (casinos), omit “,betting shop or gambling establishment”
- (11) Omit section 36 (relevant health and safety guidelines for operating a ferry etc.).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Ordinance)

1. This explanatory note relates to the Protection of Public Health (COVID-19) (Amendment) (No.5) Ordinance 2022 (the “Ordinance”). It has been prepared by the Office of the Attorney General and Legal Adviser in order to assist the reader of the Ordinance. It does not form part of the Ordinance and is not intended to be a comprehensive description of the Ordinance.

2. Section 2 amends the Protection of Public Health (COVID-19) Ordinance 2022 (the “principal Ordinance”) and broadly relaxes or removes restriction relating to COVID-19, reflecting the changes introduced in the Republic by the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Order (No. 23) of 2022 (P.I 216/2022).

3. The Ordinance removes the obligation to comply with certain health and safety guidelines which are no longer in force in the Republic. These include the revocation of the requirement to comply with health and safety guidelines when displaying the maximum number of persons permitted to enter the premises at the entry of retail premises or premises for public service. It also removes the requirement to ensure compliance with health and safety guidelines for persons operating or in charge of the following: an open air market, catering establishment, night club, event venue, disco, club, dancing venue, cinema, theatre, amphitheatre, performance venue, ferry, amateur fishing vessel, a vessel being used for the purpose of diving or other water sports, or a stadium or sports installation, including a football ground. The requirement to ensure compliance with relevant health and safety guidelines for persons organising social sporting events and horse races has also been removed.

4. The Ordinance removed the restriction on the maximum number of people permitted to be present betting shops and gambling establishments.

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