

Ordinance 12 of 2020

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**PROTECTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH (COVID - 19)
(AMENDMENT NO. 6) ORDINANCE 2020**

An Ordinance to amend the Protection of Public Health (Covid-19) Ordinance 2020.

R. Thomson
ADMINISTRATOR

15 May 2020

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

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Protection of Public Health (Covid-19) (Amendment No.6) Ordinance 2020.

(2) this Ordinance comes into force on the day after the day on which is it made by the Administrator.

Amendment of the Protection of Public Health (Covid-19) Ordinance 2020

2.—(1) The Protection of Public Health (Covid-19) Ordinance 2020(a) is amended as follows.

(2) In section 2 (Commencement), at the end, insert “, with the exception of section 8(9) which comes into force at 6.00am on 18 May 2020”

(a) Ordinance 4/2020, amended by Ordinances 5/2020, 8/2020, 9/2020, 10/2020 and 11/2020, and extended by P.I.s 8/2020 and 11/2020.

- (3) In section 4 (Interpretation)—
- (a) before the definition of “investigating officer”, insert the following definitions—
 - ““children” includes a child treated by a person as their own;”
 - ““high-achieving athletes” means—
 - (a) athletes included in the list of the Cyprus Olympic Committee or in the High Performance Plan of the Cyprus Sports Organisation; and
 - (b) coaches of athletes in paragraphs (a);”
 - (b) after the definition of “place of residence” insert—
 - ““professional footballers” means—
 - (a) professional football players playing for football clubs taking part in the Cypriot First Division (A category); and
 - (b) the coaches of those players;”
- (4) In section 5 (Restriction on movement)—
- (a) for subsection (2)(1) substitute—
 - “(1) to exercise or to attend to the needs of a pet provided that the person is either—
 - (i) alone;
 - (ii) in the company of no-one other than any number of the person’s children under the age of 18;
 - (iii) in the company of one other person aged 18 or over;
 - (iv) in the company of one other person aged 18 or over and any number of either such person’s children under the age of 18; or
 - (v) carrying out a permitted activity in accordance with section 8(2) or (5) to (9).”
 - (b) omit subsection (2B).
- (5) In section 8 (Prohibited areas)—
- (a) in subsection (1) omit “indoor or outdoor sports grounds”.
 - (b) after subsection (1) insert—
 - “(1A) Subject to subsection (5) to (9), no person may enter an indoor or outdoor sports ground.”
 - (c) for subsection (2), after “for the purpose of swimming” insert “or for a sport listed under subsection (7)”.
 - (d) for subsection (5), substitute—
 - “(5) High-achieving athletes may train in indoors sports facilities or other relevant facilities, in groups of no more than two people, provided that they do not use the changing rooms.”
 - (e) after subsection (5) insert—
 - “(6) High-achieving athletes or professional footballers may train in outdoor sports grounds or other relevant facilities, in groups of no more than five people, provided that they do not use the changing rooms.”
- (7) Subject to subsection (8), in addition to general exercise, the following sports are permitted, provided that no person involved in such exercise makes use of any changing rooms—
- (a) tennis;
 - (b) golf;
 - (c) horse riding;
 - (d) shooting;
 - (e) archery;

- (f) underwater sports;
- (g) rock climbing or bouldering;
- (h) wind sports;
- (i) motorsports provided no more than one person is present in the vehicle; and
- (j) sailing, canoeing and kayaking, provided no more than one person is present on each vessel.

(8) The person having control of a facility used for exercise under subsection (7) must ensure that the relevant health and safety guidelines are observed.

(9) Group sports may train in open outdoor sports grounds provided that the changing rooms are not used.”.

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.6) Ordinance 2020 (“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.
2. This note should be read in conjunction with the Ordinance. It is not, and is not meant to be, a comprehensive description of the Ordinance. So, when a section or part of a section does not seem to require any explanation or comment, none is given.
3. The Ordinance makes provision to amend the Protection of Public Health (Covid-19) Ordinance 2020 (“principal Ordinance”) in order to enact further measures designed to protect public health in connection with Covid-19, and for connected purposes, in the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia.
4. The Ordinance is intended to largely mirror the measures set out in the Quarantine (Measures to prevent the spread of the coronavirus Covid-19)(No. 22) Order of 2020 of the Republic in respect of provisions on the movement of people, suspension of activities, the provision of services and prohibited areas.
5. Section 2(4) of the Ordinance amends section 5 of the principal Ordinance and clarifies allowances for people to leave their place of residence.
6. Section 2(5) of the Ordinance amends section 8 of the principal ordinance and provides exceptions to areas in which a person is prohibited from entering.

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