

(Unofficial Translation)

Regulation

**Issued under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree
on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005)
(No. 5)**

Pursuant to the Declaration of an Emergency Situation in all areas of the Kingdom of Thailand as from 26 March B.E. 2563 (2020) and the subsequent extension of the duration of the enforcement of the aforementioned Declaration of an Emergency Situation until 31 May B.E. 2563 (2020);

In order for the various measures to remain in force to suppress the spread of the COVID-19 disease into other areas and to prevent the recurrence of the disease in areas previously under control, by virtue of Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005) and Section 11 of the State Administration Act B.E. 2534 (1991), the Prime Minister hereby issues a Regulation for the general public and guidelines for government agencies as follows:

1. Prohibition to Leave Dwelling Places: The prohibition for any person throughout the Kingdom to leave their dwelling places from the time of 22.00hrs to 04.00hrs of the following day in accordance with Regulation (No. 2) issued on 2 April B.E. 2563 (2020), and the exemptions to the prohibition to leave dwelling places in accordance with Regulation (No. 3) issued on 10 April B.E. 2563 (2020) shall remain in force.

Violators shall be liable under the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005); and if they do not comply with disease prevention measures as prescribed by the government, such as leaving dwelling places during the aforementioned time and refusing to be isolated, quarantined, or controlled for monitoring, or gathering and assembling to engage in activities that may risk spreading the disease during the aforementioned time, they may also be liable for another offence under the laws on communicable diseases; or, if committed during the aforementioned period of time, for offences under other laws such as an offence under the Penal Code, the laws on narcotics, laws on gambling, or violations of any regulations other than the prohibition to leave dwelling

places, which are simultaneously an offence under other laws, such as presenting news concerning the situation of the Coronavirus disease that is false, which is a violation of Clause 6 of Regulation (No. 1) issued on 25 March B.E. 2563 (2020) and is an offence under the laws on computer crimes, every offence shall be prosecuted according to the respective laws. The Government may consider blacklisting the names of such offenders for the consideration of requests for assistance and remediation from the Government in the future.

2. Prohibition or Limitation on Conducting or Carrying Out Certain Activities under the Emergency Decree and Other Relevant Laws

(1) It is prohibited to use the buildings and premises of all types of schools and educational institutions for the organisation of education, examinations, training or any other activities that involve a large number of participants, with the exception of remote communication or through electronic means.

(2) It is prohibited for any person to conduct activities in a manner where a large number of participants are gathered and assembled or where there are risks of close physical contact, such as meetings, seminars, the distribution of food or materials, or catering, except when conducted or permitted by competent officials and social distancing of at least one metre between all participants is observed, the place used for such activities is outdoor or not overcrowded, the period of time for such activities is short and disease prevention measures as prescribed by the government are put in place. In cases of meetings and seminars, they should be conducted in accordance with the Emergency Decree on Electronic Meetings B.E. 2563 (2020) which has come into force as from 19 April B.E. 2563 (2020).

(3) It is prohibited for any person to use airports for the take-off and landing of aircrafts except those in accordance with notifications, conditions and timeframes determined by persons having powers under the laws on air navigation.

(4) Travellers entering the Kingdom by land, water or air shall follow the conditions, timeframes and criteria determined by the Prime Minister, the Center for COVID-19 Situation Administration or persons having powers under the laws on immigration, laws on air navigation and laws on communicable diseases, which assign separate measures for foreigners and for Thai nationals to prevent the spread of the disease and to control the number of persons entering the country according to the capabilities of officers in screening and organising isolated places for the isolation, quarantine and control for monitoring of such persons.

(5) Persons who have been ordered or determined, as conditions for entry into the Kingdom, by communicable disease control officers or competent officials, to be isolated, quarantined or controlled for monitoring in an isolated place or in a place specified by the government, shall follow such order or conditions for the duration specified.

(6) The Governor of Bangkok and Provincial Governors shall, by virtue of the Communicable Diseases Act B.E. 2558 (2015), issue orders to temporarily close the following places in areas under their responsibility which are at risk of spreading the disease: theatres, places of entertainment, pubs, bars, entertainment spots, water parks, playgrounds, amusement parks, zoos, skating or rollerblading rinks or other similar recreations, snooker parlours, billiard parlours, bowling alleys or arcades, gaming centres or internet cafes, public swimming pools, cockfighting pits, department stores, shopping centres, fitness centres, plastic and cosmetic surgery clinics, exhibition centres, convention centres, exhibition halls, museums, public libraries, daycare centres, elderly care centres, boxing stadiums, martial arts schools (gyms), tattoo and piercing parlors, ballroom dance halls or academies, horse racing tracks, establishments providing shower, steaming and herbal room services, health and wellness establishments, traditional Thai massage and foot massage parlours, massage parlours , until the situation is assessed and a further regulation is issued for the relaxation of such orders.

(7) The Governor of Bangkok and Provincial Governors may consider closing, restricting or prohibiting the operation of places or ordering to refrain from carrying out other activities prone to risk in addition to those specified under (6) within areas under their responsibility in accordance with the Communicable Diseases Act B.E. 2558 (2015). However, an order permitting the operation of places or activities previously ordered to close or subject to restrictions under (1) to (5) or ordered to close under (6) and (7) cannot be issued until the situation is assessed and a further regulation is issued for the relaxation of such orders.

3. Orders or regulations under 2 (3), (4), (5), (6) and (7) are deemed as Orders under the Regulations issued under the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005).

4. The performance of religious activities or ceremonies on days of religious importance or in accordance with traditional customs at religious sites shall be at the discretion and under the responsibility of the guardian of such religious sites. In case where there are measures or recommendations of the related religious administrative organisations or of the government

related to disease prevention, all relevant persons shall follow such measures or recommendations.

5. People shall refrain from or delay cross-provincial travels, except when there is a necessity, for which the reason and evidence shall be shown to competent officials. They shall be screened and follow disease prevention measures as prescribed by the government, which may cause unusual delays and inconvenience of the journey.

This Regulation shall come into effect from 3 May B.E. 2563 (2020).

Issued on 1 May B.E. 2563 (2020)

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Prime Minister