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## EXTRAORDINARY MEASURE

The Ministry of Health, as the competent administrative authority pursuant to Section 80(1)(g) of Act No 258/2000, on public health protection and amending certain related Acts, as amended (hereinafter “Act No 258/2000”), orders, in accordance with the procedure pursuant to Section 69(1)(i) and (2) of Act No 258/2000, to protect public health and to prevent the occurrence and spread of the COVID-19 disease caused by the new SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus, this extraordinary measure:

### I.

1. **With effect from 6:00 a.m. on 27 March 2020 to 6:00 a.m. on 1 April 2020, retail sales and sales of services in establishments are prohibited, with the exception of the following stores and services:**
  - food,
  - fuel,
  - propellants,
  - hygiene goods, cosmetics and other toiletries and household products,
  - pharmacies, dispensaries and medical device stores,
  - small pets,
  - animal feed and other supplies for animals,
  - glasses, contact lenses and related goods,
  - newspapers and magazines,
  - tobacco products,
  - laundry and dry cleaning services,
  - repairs of road vehicles, if there are not more than 30 persons in the establishment at the same time,
  - towing and repairing vehicles in traffic on roads,
  - sales of spare parts for vehicles and manufacturing equipment,
  - establishments enabling the collection of goods and consignments from third parties,
  - sales of gardening supplies, including seeds and seedlings,
  - over-the-counter ticket sales,
  - spa facilities, provided that only spa services covered at least in part from public health insurance are provided,
  - funeral services,
  - flower stores,
  - construction and removal of buildings, design activities in construction, geological work, surveying, testing, measurement and analysis in construction,

- sales of textile material and haberdashery,
- servicing computer and telecommunications equipment, audio and video receivers, consumer electronics, devices and other household products,
- real estate brokering and the activities of accounting advisors, accounting, keeping tax records,
- locksmithery and servicing of other household products,
- repair, maintenance and installation of household machinery and equipment,
- operation of burial grounds, embalming and preservation, incineration of human remains, including the placing of human remains into urns,
- car washes,

where the sale of the listed goods or services represents the main part of the activities of the establishment concerned. This prohibition does not apply to activities that are not trades under the Trade Licensing Act.

2. With effect from 6:00 a.m. on 27 March 2020 to 6:00 a.m. on 1 April 2020, the presence of the public in catering establishments is prohibited, with the exception of establishments not serving the public (e.g. employee catering, catering services of healthcare and social services providers, prisons); this prohibition does not apply to sales outside catering establishments (e.g. fast-food outlets with a dispensing window or takeaway food where the customer does not enter the establishment), which can take place without time restrictions.
3. With effect from 6:00 a.m. on 27 March 2020 to 6:00 a.m. on 1 April 2020, sales at catering service establishments located within shopping malls with a sales area exceeding 5,000 m<sup>2</sup> are prohibited.
4. With effect from 6:00 a.m. on 27 March 2020 to 6:00 a.m. on 1 April 2020, it is ordered that sales of unpackaged bakery products are allowed only if the following conditions are met:
  - it is ensured that there is no crowding together of people at the bakery product collection points,
  - the point of sale is equipped with personal hygiene aids.
5. With effect from 6:00 a.m. on 27 March 2020 to 6:00 a.m. on 1 April 2020, it is ordered that business owners running a self-service grocery store provide disposable gloves free of charge to customers at each entrance to such store, or another similar hand protection (e.g. microtene bags).
6. With effect from 6:00 a.m. on 27 March 2020 to 6:00 a.m. on 1 April 2020, the following are prohibited
  - gambling and casino establishments,
  - driving schools,
  - taxi services, with the exception of taxis delivering foodstuffs or persons with a taxi licence,
  - operation of self-service laundries and dry cleaners,
  - the presence of the public in stores with building materials and construction products, and in hobby markets,

- the presence of the public in the premises of service providers - indoor and outdoor sports venues.
7. With effect from 6:00 a.m. on 27 March 2020 to 6:00 a.m. on 1 April 2020, sales of accommodation services are prohibited, with the exception of persons providing accommodation in hostels, spa facilities and school accommodation facilities. This prohibition does not apply to the sale and provision of accommodation services:
- to persons for the purpose of the performance of their profession, business or other similar activity; and
  - foreigners until they leave the Czech Republic and foreigners with work permits in the Czech Republic.

## II.

With effect from 6:00 a.m. on 27 March 2020, the extraordinary measure of 23 March 2020 Ref. No MZDR 12746/2020-1/MIN/KAN is repealed.

## III

This extraordinary measure takes effect on the date of its issue.

### Justification:

This extraordinary measure has been issued in connection with the adverse development of the epidemiological situation in terms of the occurrence of the COVID-19 disease caused by the new coronavirus designated as SARS-CoV-2 in the Czech Republic.

The aim of the proposed changes following on from the *de facto* identical measures previously adopted through a government resolution is to temporarily limit social contact among people as much as possible, with the exception of retail sales of goods and services in essential areas, so as to avoid, to the greatest extent possible, the transmission of COVID-19 through the community.

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