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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 Coll., on Public Health Protection and amending certain related acts, as amended (hereinafter referred to as "Act No258/2000 Coll."), **orders** this Extraordinary Measure, proceeding pursuant to Section 69(1)(i) and (2) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., in order to protect the population and prevent the occurrence and spread of the COVID-19 disease caused by the new SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus:

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Effective from 1 September 2020 until the cancellation of this extraordinary measure, celebrations, theatre and film performances, sports and other gatherings and markets are prohibited or restricted, in that

- 1. theatre, music, film, and other artistic performances, sports, cultural, religious, association, dance, traditional, and other similar events and other gatherings, exhibitions, festivals, funfairs, shows, tastings, markets and fairs, educational events, celebrations, both public and private, attended at any one time by more than 1,000 persons if the event is held largely on outdoor premises, or 500 persons if the event is held largely in the indoor premises of buildings, are prohibited; this prohibition does not apply to:
  - a) meetings, congresses and similar events of constitutional bodies, public authorities, courts
     and other public entities, which are held on the basis of the law;
  - b) gatherings pursuant to Act No. 84/1990 Coll., on the Right to Gather, as amended:
  - c) at mass events in the indoor premises of structurally partitioned facilities (sports arenas or stadiums, theatres, congress and conference centres, fair grounds, etc.)
    - i) with a maximum indoor capacity of up to 1,000 persons, whereas
      - the indoor premises are divided into organizationally partitioned sectors with a maximum capacity of 500 persons, each sector having a separate entrance from the outdoor premises or with access to and from the individual sectors regulated at intervals so as to avoid the undesirable congregation of persons,
      - 2. a distance of 2 m must be maintained between the attendees and performers (e.g. actors, singers, lecturers, athletes), or the performers must be separated from the attendees by an impenetrable barrier to prevent the spread of droplets (e.g. plexiglass), and
      - 3. the distance between persons in neighbouring sectors must be at least 2 meters,

- ii) with a maximum indoor capacity of over 1000 persons, whereas
  - 1. the indoor premises are divided into organizationally-partitioned sectors with a maximum capacity of 500 persons, each sector having a separate entrance from the outdoor premises or with access to and from the individual sectors regulated at intervals so as to avoid the undesirable congregation of persons,
  - 2. the capacity of the premises where the event is held may be used up to the limit of 1,000 persons and the remaining capacity of the premises may be used up to a maximum of 50%, whereas the attendees are distributed evenly in each sector, if possible, so as to ensure distancing,
  - 3. during live music productions (concerts, etc.), it is prohibited to create and fill sectors reserved for standing; in other cases the sector reserved for standing may be filled to maximally 50% of its maximum capacity,
  - 4. a distance of 2 m must be maintained between the attendees and performers (e.g. actors, singers, athletes, lecturers), or the performers must be separated from the attendees by an impenetrable barrier to prevent the spread of droplets (e.g. plexiglass), and
  - 5. the distance between persons in neighbouring sectors must be at least 2 meters,
- d) at mass events in the indoor premises of structurally-partitioned facilities (sports arenas or stadiums, theatres, congress and conference centres, fair grounds, etc.) with a maximum possible capacity of 1,000 persons, whereas
  - i) the premises are divided into organizationally-partitioned sectors with a maximum capacity of 1,000 persons, each sector having a separate entrance from the outdoor premises or with access to and from the individual sectors regulated at intervals so as to avoid the undesirable congregation of persons,
  - ii) the capacity of the premises where the event is held may be used up to the limit of 1,000 persons and the remaining capacity of the premises may be used up to a maximum of 50%, whereas the attendees are distributed evenly in each sector, if possible, so as to ensure distancing,
  - iii) a sector reserved for standing may be filled up to 50% of its maximum capacity,
  - iv) a distance of 2 m must be maintained between the attendees and performers (e.g. actors, singers, athletes, lecturers), or the performers must be separated from the attendees by an impenetrable barrier to prevent the spread of droplets (e.g. plexiglass), and
  - v) the distance between persons in neighbouring sectors must be at least 2 meters,
- 2. the movement and presence of persons without protective respiratory equipment (nose, mouth), such as a respirator, face mask, mouthpiece, scarf or other equipment that prevents the spread of droplets, at large events under point 1 with more than 100 people attending at any one time, held in the indoor premises of buildings, is prohibited; this prohibition does not apply to:
  - a) children under two years of age;
  - persons with intellectual disorders, cognitive disorders or severe alterations of their mental state, whose mental capacity or current mental state does not allow them to observe this prohibition;
  - c) persons performing copyrighted works (e.g. theatre, dance or musical performances), lecturers and persons participating in the creation and production of audiovisual works or programs,
  - d) hosts, reporters and other persons appearing on radio, television and other programmes;

- e) sportsmen or exercising persons during training sessions, exercising, games, competitions, etc.,
- f) fiancées in the course of the wedding ceremony and other persons attending the ceremony, and persons declaring that they are entering into registered partnership together and other persons attending this declaration.

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Extraordinary Measure of the Ministry of Health of 24 August 2020, ref. no MZDR 20588/2020-14/MIN/KAN, is rescinded effective from 1 September 2020.

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This extraordinary measure takes effect on the date it is issued.

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