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 the amendment to certain related acts, as amended (hereinafter referred to as “Act No. 258/2000 Coll.”), orders this Extraordinary Measure, proceeding pursuant to Section 69(1)(b) and (i) and subsection (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:

I.

Effective from 12:00 a.m. on 24 September 2020 until 11:59 p.m. on 7 October, restrictions shall be applied to

a) activities at establishments, in that their operators must observe the following rules:
   - information materials ask customers to maintain a distance of 2 meters and preferably pay with a payment card,
   - disinfectants must be placed near frequently touched objects (especially handles, railings, shopping carts), so that they are available to employees and customers of the establishment and can be used for regular disinfection,
   - ensure that customers are informed of the above rules, primarily by means of information posters at the entrance and throughout the establishment, or by stating the rules through loudspeaker announcements in the establishment,

b) sale of unpackaged bakery goods, in that their sellers must observe the following rules:
   - it must be ensured that there is no crowding together of people at the bakery product collection points,
   - the point of sale must be equipped with personal hygiene aids,

c) operation of self-service grocery stores, in that the retailers must provide disposable gloves or other similar hand protection (e.g. plastic bags) free of charge to customers,

d) operation of farmer’s markets and other outdoor markets and marketplaces, in that their operators must observe the following rules:
   - a distance of at least 2 meters must be ensured between stands, tables or other points of sale,
   - containers with disinfectants must be placed at every point of sale,

e) operation of libraries, in that their operators must observe the following rules:
   - library employees must be instructed to perform hand hygiene with increased frequency
when coming into contact with books and other similar goods,

- the customer must disinfect their hands at the entrance to the library, whereas the disinfectant product will be supplied by the library operator,

f) sale of clothing and footwear, in that their sellers must observe the following rules:
- clothing and footwear may be tried on only after the customer has disinfected their hands,
- when returning clothing as a part of a complaint, etc., the clothing must be kept separately from the other goods for 24 hours, and only then may it be offered again to customers,

g) activities of hairdresser's and barber shops, in that their operators must observe the following rules:
- if a barber or customer has a body temperature of 37°C or higher or has other symptoms of the COVID-19 disease, they will be restricted from entering the barber shop or hairdresser's,
- disinfectants for hand disinfection must be available at the barber shop or hairdresser's,
- antibacterial soap, disinfectants to disinfect the hands and disposable towels must be available in the toilets,
- before commencing and after concluding the provision of the service and when moving to another customer, the barber must always disinfect their hands using a product with virucidal effect, and if they are using gloves, they must replace them and disinfect their hands between customers,
- surface disinfection, including all used hairdressing instruments, must be carried out after providing the service to each customer,
- the floor must be disinfected at least once per day,

h) manicure, pedicure, massage, cosmetic and podiatrist salons, in that their operators must observe the following rules:
- if a person providing the service or a customer has a body temperature of 37°C or higher or has other symptoms of the COVID-19 disease, they will be restricted from entering the establishment,
- disinfectants for hand disinfection must be available at the establishment,
- antibacterial soap, disinfectants to disinfect the hands and disposable towels must be available in the toilets,
- surface disinfection, including all used instruments, must be carried out after providing the service to each customer,
- the floor must be disinfected at least once per day,
- the person providing this service must use disposable gloves (except for massages) when performing their work, which they must replace for every customer, disinfecting their hands with a product with virucidal effect in between,
- the person providing the service must disinfect their hands before and after the massage,
- before providing the service, the treatment area for the customer must be disinfected,

i) operation of theatres, cinemas, concert halls, circuses and similar facilities, in that their operators must observe the following rules:
- the operator must ensure at least one person to supervise the observance of the following rules and encourage members of the audience and other persons to observe them,
- the following instructions are communicated to members of the audience and other persons primarily through information signs, posters, on displays, screens, etc.,
- a maximum of 1,000 people are permitted in the audience,
- there must be a distance of at least 2 meters between ticket vendors,
- information materials ask customers to maintain a distance of 2 meters and preferably pay with a payment card,
- hand disinfectants must be available at the entrance and in the toilets,
- before the start of the performance, etc., the entire premises designated for members of the audience must be disinfected, cleaning must be conducted regularly even during operation (disinfecting of handles, railings, counters, etc.), daily cleaning must be performed using
disinfectant products with virucidal effects, in accordance with potential additional recommendations from the respective regional public health authority,

j) operation of catering facilities, in that their operators must observe the following rules:
- the presence of the public at establishments offering catering services, with the exception of establishments not serving the general public (e.g. staff catering, catering for healthcare and social service providers, at penal institutions) shall be prohibited between the hours of 10.00 a.m. and 6.00 a.m.; this prohibition shall not apply to sales for consumption outside of the catering establishment (e.g. fast-food establishments with a dispensing windows or take-out foods where the customer does not enter the establishment),
- customers are seated so that there is a distance of a least 1.5 meters between them, except for customers sitting at one table,
- in the case of sales from catering establishments outside of their indoor premises (e.g. service windows), the person consuming food and meals including beverages purchased here in the immediate vicinity of the establishment are obliged to maintain a distance of at least 2 meters from other persons, if these are not household members, unless they are seated on the outdoor premises of the establishment (e.g. a garden),
- the operator must not allow a greater number of customers into the indoor premises of the establishment than the number of seats available to customers in the indoor premises of the establishment; the operator is obliged to keep a written record of the current number of seats for customers,
- information materials ask customers to maintain a distance of 2 meters and preferably pay with a payment card,
- hand disinfectant must be available to customers when entering the indoor and outdoor premises of the catering facility,
- tables and chairs must be disinfected before seating every new group of customers,
- in the case of sales through a sales window, the sales window must be disinfected at least every 2 hours,
- if an employee of the establishment has a body temperature of 37°C or higher or has other symptoms of the COVID-19 disease, they will be restricted from entering the establishment,
- the operator must proceed in such a way as to encourage customers to observe all the measures,

k) operation of accommodation facilities, in that their operators must observe the following rules:
- information materials ask customers to maintain a distance of 2 meters and preferably pay with a payment card,
- hand disinfectant must be available to customers when entering the accommodation facility premises and toilets,
- surfaces which are touched by hands must be regularly disinfected,
- materials with information for customers explaining the valid anti-epidemic measures are available,
- before accommodating a new customer, all the contact surfaces, items which the guests use (e.g. telephones, TV remote controls), bathrooms and toilets must be disinfected,

l) operation of shopping centres with a sales area of more than 5,000 m², in that their operators must observe the following rules:
- the operator must ensure at least one person to supervise the observance of the following rules and encourage customers and other persons to observe them,
- the following instructions for customers are communicated to customers and other persons primarily through information signs, posters, on displays, intercom, etc.,
- the operator must ensure the visible posting of recommendations to maintain a distance of 2 meters between persons in the publicly accessible areas of the shopping centres (e.g. by means of infographics, adverts on the centre’s radio, infographics at the entrance to stores and other facilities, infographics on the floors of public areas, etc.),
- a systemic cleaning plan must be implemented, which defines the system of cleaning, disinfection, or decontamination of common areas based on expert recommendations from
the local regional public health authority,
- gathering of persons will be restricted, particularly in areas where this can be expected, e.g. in the underground garages, areas in front of elevators, escalators, travellators, bathrooms, etc.,
- hand disinfectant must be available at every entrance to the shopping centre for customers and employees,
- hand disinfectant must be available in all stores or other facilities, at least at every cash register or check-out zone,
- payment terminals must be disinfected at regular intervals,
- a visible recommendation to maintain a distance of 2 meters from others on the outlet premises must be posted at the entrance to every outlet,
- the operator must ensure the training of employees in order to ensure and verify their awareness of the measures, symptoms of the disease and prevention of contagion, including the protection of visitors and employees,
- the operator must ensure the option of disposing of personal protective equipment (face masks, gloves, etc.) into communal waste bins for visitors and other persons at the shopping centre,

m) operation of indoor sports grounds and related indoor areas of sports grounds, in that their operators must observe the following rules:
- disinfection of machines and other exercise equipment and gear after being used by every client is recommended,
- places where clients move about must be regularly disinfected,
- hand disinfectant must be ensured for staff and clients,
- clients must perform obligatory disinfection of their hands before starting and after concluding exercise,
- the time schedule must be adjusted to ensure cleaning, ventilation and disinfection of the premises between individual lessons,
- the greatest possible dispersion of people in the changing rooms must be ensured, occupy distant ends or allow access to every other locker,
- the possibility of hand disinfection must be ensured in the changing rooms,
- areas which clients pass through must be regularly decontaminated – regular cleaning and disinfection.
- the cleaning and disinfection of the insides of lockers must be ensured every day and after operating hours,
- clients must be instructed to minimise the time spent in the changing rooms,

n) facilities which conduct activities which are a trade pursuant to the Trades Act, during which the integrity of the skin is breached, in that their operators must observe the following rules:
- hand disinfection must be available to customers at the entrance to the facility,
- if there are several employees in the room at the same time, the individual workplaces must be separated by a curtain.
- the chair/recliner must be disinfected after every customer,

o) saunas, in that their operators must observe the following rules:
- the customer must disinfect their hands before entry,
- disinfectant and paper towels must be available to customers throughout the premises,
- the operator must check the saunas and observance of measures with increased frequency,
- surfaces touched by hands must be disinfected regularly,
- all linens must be disinfected by boiling (sheets, towels, face masks),
- ice wells and crystalline cooling is not in operation,
- employees must disinfect their hands regularly,
- 100% air exchange using air conditioning equipment is performed,
- intensive cleaning and disinfection using virucidal products of the entire premises must be performed every day after closing operations, beyond the scope of standard cleaning,
- a dispenser with disinfectant soap must be installed in every shower.
II.

Effective from 12:00 a.m. on 24 September 2020, the Extraordinary Measure of 17 September 2020 Ref. No. MZDR 20581/2020-10/MIN/KAN is repealed.

III.

This Extraordinary Measure shall take effect on the date of its issue.

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