



Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA)
Subject: Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 41)

Reference is made to the promulgation of the Regulation Issued under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005) (No. 32) dated 28th August 2021. The present situation of the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) was assessed by public health agencies and found that it is quite stable and tended to subside and become better. Although the number of patients with severe symptoms has still been at high level owing to the accumulation of infected cases from the past period, the number of new daily infected cases has gradually been decreasing and the number of patients who were treated and recovered has also been increasing. Such results have been derived from the integration and collaboration of agencies relating to public health, administration, security, volunteers and the public from all sectors in mobilizing all efforts for providing assistance and disease prevention to citizens. Operations like acceleration of vaccination among people at high risk of exposure, active case finding, providing advice and follow-up for caring infected persons, dissemination of necessary medicine and medical supplies, and coordination for referring infected cases and patients for treatment have also been implemented. Therefore, competent officials and responsible agencies have had evaluation and appropriateness of enforcement for measures under the previously announced Regulation and submitted them to the Center for COVID-19 Situation Administration (CCSA) for considering the improvement of enforcement for some measures to suit the changing situation. The BMA Communicable Diseases Committee or the Provincial Communicable Diseases Committee, as the case may be, shall supervise and follow up the operations of premises, businesses, or activities in the situational area designated as the maximum and strict control area of which measures have been adjusted in compliance with the Regulation so that the said premises, businesses, or activities can be opened for operations, and shall be operated under conditions, time clause, systematic arrangement and regulations and disease prevention measures prescribed by the Government as well as measures under laws on communicable diseases specially enacted by responsible persons;

Therefore, in order to comply with the said Regulation, by the virtue of Section 35 (1) of the Communicable Diseases Act B.E. 2558 (2015), and Regulation Issued under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005) (No. 28) dated 17th July 2021, (No. 30) dated 1st August 2021, and (No. 32) dated 28th August 2021, Governor of Bangkok, with the approval of the BMA Communicable Diseases Committee as stated in the Meeting Resolution No. 25/2564 dated 27th August 2021, shall have the order as follows:

1. Premises shall be temporarily closed and any operations must comply with the Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) on Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 32) dated 14th June 2021, (No. 34) dated 27th June 2021, (No. 35) dated 5th July 2021, and (No. 38) dated 21st July 2021 so long as they are not contrary to or inconsistent with this Announcement.

2. Following...

2. Following premises can be opened for operations or implementation of some activities, which shall comply with disease prevention and control measures for inhibiting the disease spread, disease prevention measures prescribed by the Government, and measures under laws on communicable diseases specially enacted by responsible persons:

2.1 Schools or all types of educational institutes; the buildings or places can be used for learning, teaching, examination, training, or organizing any activities with large number of attendees. Representatives from the Ministry of Education, Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation, or other relating agencies in the responsible area and the BMA Communicable Diseases Committee, shall together consider the necessity and implementation in compliance with disease prevention measures prescribed by the Government as well as the appropriateness for the state of the said area and situation in the responsible area. The said necessity and implementation shall comply with the criteria prescribed by the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation and the Ministry of Public Health;

2.2 Shops selling food or beverage; these venues can be opened for operation, and consuming food and beverage is allowed until 08.00 p.m., and consumption of liquor and alcoholic drinks at the said venues is prohibited. These venues shall limit the number of persons consuming food and beverage. In terms of consumption in air-conditioned rooms, the number of persons shall limit to 50% for the number of regular seats. However, in terms of consumption in the open with good ventilation, such as small restaurants, hawkers, stalls, pushcarts, the number of persons shall be limited to 75% for the number of regular seats. These measures shall also be enforced with shops selling food or beverage which are located in shopping malls, shopping centers, community malls or similar establishments;

2.3 Medical clinics for beauty service, beauty salons and barber shops can be opened for operations;

2.4 Health related establishments, or establishments for Thai traditional massage can be opened for operations only for foot massage;

2.5 Fresh markets and flea markets can be opened for operations by their regular time until 08.00 p.m. only for selling consumer goods;

2.6 Shopping malls, shopping centers, community malls or similar establishments can be opened for operations by their regular time until 08.00 p.m., except some types of business or activities of which conditions relating to control of providing services were designated, or operations shall have been temporarily closed;

A. Cosmetic clinics and medical clinics for beauty service can be opened for operations and services by making an appointment. Beauty salons and barber shops can be opened for operations by making an appointment, and the service time for each person shall limit not to exceed one hour;

B. Health related establishments, or establishments for Thai traditional massage can be opened for operations by making an appointment, and limit the service only to foot massage;

C. Tutorial schools, theaters, amusement parks, water parks, swimming pools, fitness centers, game machine arcades, play equipment, gaming centers, banquets or meetings shall still be temporarily closed for operations;

2.7 Public parks...

2.7 Public parks (used for exercises only), sport fields, sport venues, pools for sports or marine activities for recreation, or public swimming pools, or outdoor places for exercises or those located in the open, indoor sport venues or places for exercises with good ventilation can be opened for operations until 08.00 p.m., and organize sport competitions without spectators (except public parks or sports venues used for medical and public health services provided by the Government shall be opened for operations for such purposes);

The use of all types of sports venues as training places of national athletes without spectators can be operated by the Ministry of Tourism and Sports, the Sports Authority of Thailand, or relating agencies, and such operations shall be informed to the BMA Communicable Diseases Committee, and shall strictly comply with disease prevention measures prescribed by the Government;

2.8 Nurseries (only those operated in hospitals with admission for overnight stay as regularity);

2.9 Elderly care centers (except admission for overnight stay as regularity); and

2.10 Convenience stores, which generally provide services during night time, can be opened for operations until 08.00 p.m. and the service time shall be limited. The said convenience stores shall be closed for services between 08.00 p.m. and 04.00 a.m. of the next days.

3. Hospitals, health facilities, medical clinics, drugstores, general shops, factories, financial securities corporation, money transaction, banks, Automatic Teller Machines, telecommunication business, post and parcels, pet food shops, drugstores and medical supplies, shops selling tools and building materials, shops selling necessary miscellaneous goods, venues selling cooking gas, fuel, petrol stations, gas stations, hotels (activities relating to meetings, seminars or banquets are refrained), insurance business, assistance and rescue service units, vehicle service centers or repair shops, battery shops, infrastructure system inspection and maintenance service units, drainage systems, oil and natural gas pipeline systems, persons collecting and disposing garbage as well as product transportation services and online food delivery services can be opened for operations as necessity, and relating persons shall strictly comply with prevention measures for disease spread prescribed by the Government.

4. Areas or venues for construction, modification or demolition of buildings, temporary residential venues for construction workers, and travel and movement of workers, which have been enforced under the announcements or orders to temporarily close the premises or stop the operations under the Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) on Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 34) dated 27th June 2021, or have been granted relaxation of measures with conditions under the Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) on Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 35) dated 5th July 2021 but later were able to control disease spread under the public health standard, or have improved the sanitation of premises, can be opened or operated under criteria, measures and guidelines in supervision, follow-up and evaluation prescribed by the Ministry of Public Health or the Government. This includes implementation of “Bubble and Seal”, the disease prevention and control measure in the specific areas, to prevent the spread among construction workers. In the case where the spread occurs in the areas, intensity of measures shall be adjusted. At any rate, the business operations can still be allowed under measures of

travel and movement between residential venues and working areas with the sealed route control and supervision. Separation of infected persons, persons with close contact, persons who are not infected, and vulnerable groups shall be managed and medical and public health services are provided. Daily sustenance and other assistance prescribed by the Ministry of Public Health shall be strictly arranged. The district office in charge of the area shall notify the owners whose business is allowed for operations.

5. Organizing activities with public gathering of total attendees over twenty five persons is prohibited, and shall be in accordance with prohibitions and exceptions under the Announcement of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) on Order of Temporary Closure of Premises (No. 33) dated 20th June 2021, (No. 34) dated 27th June 2021, and the Regulation Issued under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005) (No. 30) dated 1st August 2021.

Any persons who violate or fail to comply with this Order shall be guilty of an offense under Section 52 of the Communicable Diseases Act B.E. 2558 (2015) which shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or to a fine not exceeding one hundred thousand Baht or to both and shall be guilty of an offense under Section 18 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situation B.E. 2548 (2005) which shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to a fine not exceeding forty thousand Baht or to both.

As this is a case where there is urgent necessity and the delay of action may cause great harm to any individual or affect the public interest, litigants shall not be given the right to object under section 30 paragraph two (1) of the Administrative Procedure Act, B.E. 2539 (1996).

This Order shall take effect between 1st September 2021 and 30th September 2021 or until further notice.

Announced on 29th August 2021.

Pol.Gen. (Signature)
(Aswin Kwanmuang)
Governor of Bangkok