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The public health (covid-19 suppression) (No.8) (amendment) order made by the governor acting on the advice of cabinet under sections 10, 11 and 12 of the public health act (cap. 14.01).

1. Citation and commencement

This Order may be cited as the Public Health (COVID-19 Suppression) (No.8) (Amendment) Order, 2021 and comes into force 9th February, 2021 at 6 a.m.

2. Interpretation

In this Order **"principal Order"** means the Public Health (COVID-19 Suppression) (No.8) Order, 2021.

3. Paragraph 2 amended

Paragraph 2 of the principal Order is amended by deleting the definition of "**essential service provider**" and substituting the following—

"essential service provider" means a person, business, organisation or Department that offers—

- (a) air traffic (including meteorological, telecommunication, security, fire and crash services connected with airports) services;
- (b) fire, prison, defence force or police services;
- (c) medical, health, hospital, infirmary or nursing home services;
- (d) telecommunications or broadcasting services;

- (e) water, electricity or sanitation services;
- (f) immigration, customs or postal services;
- (g) services connected with the loading and unloading of ships and with the storage and delivery of goods at, or from a dock, wharf or warehouse operated in connection with the dock or wharf;
- (*h*) airport, seaport, civil aviation or ferry services;
- *(i)* services connected with essential government functions as determined by the Deputy Governor; or
- (*j*) a service that is granted permission to offer the service under paragraph 17;".

4. Paragraph 3 amended

Paragraph 3 of the principal Order is deleted and substituted by the following—

"3. Curfew

Subject to paragraph 4, a person shall not leave his home at any time of the day or night commencing 9 February, 2021 at 6 a.m. until 11 February, 2021 at 6 a.m.".

5. Paragraph 4 amended

Paragraph 4 of the principal Order is deleted and substituted by the following----

"4. Exceptions to curfew

- (1) Despite paragraph 3, the following businesses and persons may operate as follows—
 - (a) a doctor's office (by appointments only);
 - (b) a pharmacy from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.;
 - (c) an undertaker; and
 - (d) a business, person or organisation that is granted permission to operate under this Order.
- (2) Despite paragraph 3, a person may leave his home during the curfew to—

- (*a*) access an essential service which has been granted a permit under this Order;
- (b) carry out functions as an essential service provider which includes travelling to or from work as an essential service provider;
- (c) assist, transport or provide an ancillary service for an essential service provider;
- (d) seek medical care or attend a scheduled clinic appointment;
- (e) visit the doctor or pharmacy, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.(except for an emergency situation or scheduled doctor's appointment outside that period);
- (*f*) disembark a vessel or airplane, provided that the person shall not be in a public place more than two hours after disembarking a vessel or airplane;
- (g) transport a person who has disembarked from a vessel or airplane, provided that the person shall not be in a public place more than two hours after transporting the person;
- (*h*) depart from Montserrat, provided that the person shall not be in a public place earlier than 6 a.m.; or
- (*i*) transport a person departing from Montserrat, provided that the person shall not be in a public place earlier than 6 a.m.; and
- (j) engage in an activity to include running, walking, swimming, alone or with one other member of the same household, each day during the hours of 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., provided that a motor vehicle is not used to get to and from the place where the activity is being done.".

6. Paragraph 6 amended

Paragraph 6(1) of the principal Order is deleted and substituted by the following—

"(1) For the avoidance of doubt the following businesses, departments, organisations, establishments or persons shall not operate during the curfew—

- (*a*) a person, business, organisation or Department that is not an essential service provider;
- (b) a bar or nightclub, or similar business;
- (c) a restaurant, to include take-away or delivery service, or similar business;
- (d) a barber shop, hair salon, spa or similar business;
- (e) a gym or other sports club or similar business;
- (f) retail store or similar business;
- (g) an insurance services provider or similar business;
- (*h*) a school to include public, private or denominational school;
- (*i*) church or other religious establishment;
- (j) a bank;
- (*k*) a gas station;
- (*l*) a bakery;
- (*m*) a grocery store, wholesale business or agricultural produce business;
- (n) a money transfer business;
- (o) a business connected with farming, fisheries; and
- (*p*) a water, electricity, telecommunications or internet service provider.".

7. Paragraph 7 amended

Paragraph 7(1) is deleted and substituted with the following—

"(1) A person shall wear a face covering at all times if he leaves his home for a purpose listed in paragraph 4(2), except for a purpose listed in paragraph 4(2)(j)."

8. Paragraph 28 amended

Paragraph 28 of the principal Order is deleted and substituted with the following—

"28. Expiry

This Order expires 11 February, 2021 at 6 a.m."

Made by the Governor acting on the advice of Cabinet this 8th day of February, 2021.

(Sgd.) Marjorie Smith CLERK OF CABINET

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