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## STATUTORY RULES AND ORDERS NO. 70 OF 2020

THE MINISTER IN EXERCISE OF THE POWERS CONFERRED ON HIM BY SECTION 60 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, CAP 263 HEREBY MAKES THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS–

(Gazetted 15th December, 2020).

1. Citation. These Regulations may be cited as the-

PUBLIC HEALTH (COVID-19) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2020,

and shall be read as one with the Public Health (COVID-19) Regulations, 2020, SRO No. 59 of 2020 hereinafter referred to as the "principal Regulations".

**2.** Amendment of regulation 2 in principal Regulations. Regulation 2 of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting in the appropriate alphabetical order the following new definition–

"essential business" means a business, establishment, or office which provides an essential service relating to-

- (a) the Royal Grenada Police Force;
- (b) the National Disaster Management Agency, or any person authorised by the National Disaster Management Agency;
- (c) Her Majesty's Prison;
- (d) waste disposal and sanitation companies;
- (e) any hospital or health care, medical, residential care establishment or facility;
- (f) the Airports Authority and Ports Authority;
- (g) an establishment in the water sector or the electricity sector;

- (h) an establishment in the telecommunication sector or any other sector encompassing the provision of electronic communications; and
- (i) any print or electronic media house.

**3. Amendment of regulation 6 in principal Regulations.** Regulation 6 of the principal Regulations is amended as follows:-

(1) by deleting sub-regulation (1) and substituting therefor with the following:

"(1) Subject to subsection 1A, all businesses, establishments and offices may commence, continue or resume their business operations, except the businesses establishments and offices as may be prescribed from time to time by Order of the Minister".

(2) by inserting after sub-regulation (1), the following new sub-regulation-

"(1A) Except for essential businesses, no person shall keep his or her business, establishment or office open after 10 p.m.

**4. Insertion of new regulation 6A in principal Regulations.** The principal Regulations is amended by inserting after regulation 6 the following new regulation–

**"6A. Restaurant operators and food vendors.**—(1) Every food vendor and restaurant operator shall provide only drive-through and take away service to the public in accordance with the physical distancing protocols"."

**5.** Amendment of regulation 7 in principal Regulations. Regulation 7 of the principal Regulations is amended as follows: -

(a) in sub-regulation (1):-

(i) in sub-paragraph (a) by deleting the word "twenty persons" where it appears and substituting therefor with the following:-

"ten persons except where the event or gathering comprise only individuals residing in the same household";

(iii) in sub-paragraph (b) by deleting the word "seventy-five" where it appears and substituting therefor with the following:-

"ten";

(iv) in sub-paragraph (c) by deleting the word "seventy-five" where it appears and substituting therefor with the following:-

"ten";

(b) by repealing sub-regulations (2) to (8) and substituting therefor with the following:-

"(2) Notwithstanding sub-regulation (1), the Chief Medical Officer may grant written permission to a person to host an event or gathering of more than ten persons.

(3) The written permission under sub-regulation (2) may be subject to such terms and conditions as the Chief Medical Officer deems necessary.

(4) A person who wishes to be granted written permission under sub-regulation (2) must apply in writing to the Chief Medical Officer.

(5) An application under sub-regulation (3) must contain-

(a) the name of the applicant;

- (b) the proposed date of the event or gathering;
- (c) the proposed number of persons who would be attending the event or gathering;
- (d) the address of the venue where the event or gathering will be held; and
- (e) any other relevant information which may assist the Minister in determining an application

(6) A person who applies for written permission under subregulation 2 shall not host the event or gathering unless he or she receives written permission under regulation 2.

(7) A person who hosts an event or gathering in contravention of this regulation commits an offence and is liable to the penalty imposed under regulation 14.". **6. Insertion of new regulation 7A in principal Regulations.** The principal Regulations is amended by inserting after regulation 7 the following new regulation:–

**"7A. Restrictions on sporting activities.** No person shall host or attend a recreational or competitive sporting activity.".

**7. Repeal and substitution of regulation 9 of principal Regulations.** Regulation 9 of the principal Regulation is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor–

**"9. Restrictions on travel in hiring car or taxi after 10 p.m.**—(1) Subject to sub-regulation 2, no person shall operate a hiring car or taxi after ten p.m.

(2). Notwithstanding subsection (1), the Commissioner of Police in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer may grant written permission to a person to operate a hiring car or taxi after ten p.m.

(3). A person who wishes to obtain written permission under subregulation 2 must apply in writing to the Commissioner of Police.

(4). An application under sub-regulation (3) must contain-

- (a) the name of the applicant;
- (b) the proposed date of the event;
- (c) the proposed number of persons who would be attending the event;
- (d) the address of the venue where the event or gathering will be held; and
- (e) any other relevant information which may assist the Commissioner in determining an application.

Made by the Minister this 15th day of December, 2020.

## NICKOLAS STEELE Minister with responsibility for Health.

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