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I, Dr Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, hereby, in terms of section 27(2)(f) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 ([Act No. 57 of 2002](#)), after consultation with the Ministers of Police and Transport, issue directions in the Schedule hereto relating to the movement of persons and goods.

Dr Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, MP

Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs

1. Definitions

In these Directions a word or expression bears the meaning assigned to it in the Regulations and unless the context otherwise indicates—

"**Regulations**" means the Regulations made in terms of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 ([Act No. 57 of 2002](#)) and published in Government Gazette No. 43258, Government Notice No. R. 480 of 29 April 2020.

2. Purpose

- (1) The purpose of these Directions is to facilitate the movement of persons and goods across provincial, metropolitan or district boundaries during the period of Alert level 4.
- (2) (a) The movement of persons and goods, where—
 - (i) a person is relocating to a new place of residence;
 - (ii) the movement is necessitated due to domestic violence; or
 - (iii) a business is relocating to a new premises,
requires a change in place of residence or business, including the transport of related goods to a new place of residence or business, within the Republic.
- (b) The circumstances in subparagraph (a)(i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) require the once-off movement of persons who are relocating to their new place of residence, as permitted in terms of regulation 16(5); and
- (c) The transport of goods within the Republic is permitted in terms of regulation 22(1)(f).

3. The once-off movement of persons and transportation of goods

- (a) A person who needs to travel to his or her new place of residence or business and to transport goods which are limited to household or office furniture and effects, as required by the circumstances in paragraph 2 of these Directions, is permitted to do so during Alert level 4.

- (b) A person referred to in subparagraph (a) must—
- (i) obtain a permit to travel across provincial, metropolitan or district boundaries from the head of court or a person designated by him or her, or the station commander of a police station or a person designated by him or her. The permit must correspond with Form 1 to these Directions;
 - (ii) indicate the persons who are part of the household who will be required to move; and
 - (iii) have in his or her possession the relevant lease agreements indicating the date of expiry of the old lease or the date of commencement of the new lease, or the proof of purchase of residence and occupation date, or the transfer documents attesting to the change of ownership of property, or a domestic violence order, or proof of change or new occupation of business premises.

4. Public and private transport

A person referred to in paragraph 3 who makes use of public or private transport must adhere to the relevant Directions issued by the Minister of Transport.

5. Repeal and transitional provisions

- (1) The Directions published by [Government Notice No. 513 of 7 May 2020](#), is hereby repealed.
- (2) Despite the repeal the direction referred to in paragraph (1), permits already granted, remain in force as if the direction had not been repealed.

6. Short title

These Directions are called the Directions on the once-off movement of persons and the transportation of goods for purposes of relocation.

Form 1 (Direction 3(b))

Permit to travel to another province, metropolitan area or district for purposes of relocation

Note:

- This permit must be issued to the persons or businesses relocating
- This permit and any form of identification must be in the possession of the person to whom this permit is issued

I,

Full names	
Surname	
Identity number	
Court /Station	

*Station Commander/Head of court/designated person

hereby issue a permit for *relocation/ transportation of persons, household furniture and effects/ business furniture, equipment, and inventory related to the business to: Full names	
Surname	
Identity number	
Names of additional people travelling and requiring authority to return(Limited to number of people per vehicle, as per directions of Minister of Transport)	
Address of residence/	

business relocating from						
Province relocating from						
Registration number/s of vehicles for movement and return						
Contact details	Cell nr		Tel No (h)		e-mail address	
Address of residence/business relocating to						
Province relocating to (if different from current province)						
Date/s of travel						

I have verified that the person requesting the permit* produced the relevant lease agreements, indicating the date of expiry of the old lease or the commencement date of the new lease/produced proof of purchase of residence and occupation date/produced the transfer documents attesting to the change of ownership of property/domestic violence order/produced proof of change or new occupation of business premises.

Signed at _____ this ____ day of _____ 20__.

Official stamp

*Station Commander/Head of Court/designated person

*Delete which is not applicable.