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DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS, ARTS AND CULTURE

NO. 1985

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AMENDMENT OF DIRECTIONS ISSUED IN TERMS OF REGULATION 4(10) OF THE REGULATIONS MADE UNDER SECTION 27(2) OF THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT NO.57 OF 2002): MEASURES TO PREVENT AND COMBAT THE SPREAD OF COVID – 19: SPORT, ARTS AND CULTURE

I, Emmanuel Nkosingithi Mthethwa, Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture, hereby, in terms of regulation 1915 read with regulation 67 (2) (3) (4) and regulation (69)(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)(6) of the Regulations made under section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002) and published in Government Notice No.R493 of 11 June 2021 as amended by Government Notices No. R.608 of 28 May 2020, R. 714 of 25 June 2020, R. 763 of 12 July 2020, R. 846 of 31 July 2020, R. 891 of 17 August 2020, R. 999 of 18 September 2020, R.1011 of 20 September 2020, R. 1053 of 1 October 2020, R.477 of 30 May 2021, R. 493 of 11 June 2021, R. 565 of 27 June 2021, R. 610 of 11 July 2021, R. 650 of 25 July 2021, R. 868 of 12 September 2021, R. 959 of 30 September 2021, R. 1024 of 11 October 2021, R. 1598 of 10 December 2021, R. 1659 of 30 December 2021, R. 1875 of 14 March 2022, R. 1915 of 22 March 2022 issue the Directions in the Schedule.



E.N MTHETHWA, MP**MINISTER OF SPORT, ARTS AND CULTURE****DATE: 2022|03|28**

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SCHEDULE

DEFINITIONS

1. In these Directions, a word or expression bears the meaning assigned to it in the Regulations made under section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 and promulgated in Government Gazette No. 43258, Government Notice No. R 480 of 29 April 2020 as amended by Government Notices No. R.608 of 28 May 2020, R.714 of 25 June 2020, R.763 of 12 July 2020, R.846 of 31 July 2020, R.891 of 17 August 2020, R. 999 of 18 September 2020, R.1011 of 20 September 2020, R. 1053 of 1 October 2020 and R. 1423 of 29 December 2020, R 477 of 30 May 2021, R 530 of 15 June 2021, R. 565 of 27 June 2021, R. 610 of 11 July 2021, R. 650 of 25 July 2021, R. 868 of 12 September 2021, R. 960 of 30 September 2021, R. 1024 of 11 October 2021, R. 1598 of 10 December 2021, R. 1659 of 30 December 2021, R. 1875 of 14 March 2022 and unless the context otherwise indicates—

“Directions” means the Directions published in Government Notice No. 461, Government Gazette No. 43226 of 09 April 2020 as amended by Government Notice No. 669, Government Gazette No. 43434 of 11 June 2020, Government Notice No.751, Government Gazette No. 43507 of 6 July 2020, Government Notice No. 852, Government Gazette No. 43584 of 6 August 2020 and Government Notice No. 943, Government Gazette No. 43667 of 28 August 2020 and Government Gazette No. No. 43776 of 7 October 2020, Government Gazette No. 477 of 31 May 2021, Government Gazette No. 530 of 15 June 2021, Government Gazette No 565 of 27 June 2021, Government Gazette No. 44838 of 11 July 2021, Government Gazette No. 44895 of 25 July 2021, Government Gazette No. 45156 of 12 September 2021, Government Gazette No. 45253 of 30 September 2021, Government Gazette No. 45297 of 11 October 2021, Government Gazette No. 45715 of 30 December 2021, Government Gazette No. 46078 of 22 March 2022.

Amendment of paragraph 1 of the Directions

2. Paragraph 1 of the Directions is hereby amended by –

(a) The substitution for the definition of “the Regulations” of the following definition:

“The Regulations” means the Regulations published in Government Gazette No. 43258, Government Notice No. R.480. of 29 April 2020 as amended by Government Notice No. R.608 of 28 May 2020, Government Notice No. R.714 of 25 June 2020, Government Notice No. R.763 of 12 July 2020, Government Notice No. R.846 of 31 July 2020, Government Notice No. R. 891 of 17 August 2020, Government Notice No. R.999 of 18 September 2020, Government Notice No. R.1011 of 20 September 2020, Government Notice No. R. 1053 of 1 October 2020 and Government Notice No. R. 1423 of 29 December 2020, Government Notice No. R. 477 of 30 May 2021, Government Notice No. R. 530 of 15 June 2021, Government Notice No. R. 565 of 27 June 2021, Government Notice No. R. 610 of 11 July 2021, Government Notice No. R. 650 of 25 July 2021, Government Notice No. R. 868 of 12 September 2021, Government Notice No. R. 959 of 30 September 2021, R. 1024 of 11 October 2021, R. 1659 of 30 December 2021, R. 1875 of 14 March 2022, R. 1915 of 22 March 2022.

Insertion of Direction 3

- 3.1 A Compliance Officer or Event Safety Officer as per SASREA of a sport or recreational body must, include all health protocols including Spectator Risk Assessment Plans and measures in the safety plan that is submitted to the SAPS and copy the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture as part of the SASREA application for consideration and approval.
- 3.2 A sport and recreation body must submit to the Department their events schedule on a monthly basis at least 1 month ahead of event delivery for the purpose of effecting a monitoring programme.
- 3.3 Reports of each event must be available on request at least 2 weeks after event delivery.

3.4 Such proposal must be made in strict compliance with Protocols made by a Cabinet Member responsible for Health and in keeping with international best practice and provisions of SASREA Act 2 of 2010.

3.5 The Department may, after consideration of the proposal make additional requirements if any.

3.6 The Department must, if satisfied with the proposal made in terms of paragraph 3.1 above, issue a compliance letter.

Repeal of regulation 66 of the Regulations

4. Regulation 66 of the Regulations is hereby repealed.

5. **Amendment of regulation 67 of the Regulations is hereby amended by:**

(a) the substitution for sub-regulations (2)(3) and (4) of the sub-regulations:

(2) The wearing of mask is mandatory for every person when in an indoor public place, excluding a child under the age of six years, and any person who fails to comply with a verbal instruction by an enforcement officer to wear a mask, commits an offence and is, on conviction, liable to a fine or a period of imprisonment not exceeding six months, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

(3) A person not wearing a mask will not be allowed to –

(a) use, operate, perform any service on any form of public transport; or

(b) enter or be in a building, place or premises, including government buildings, places or premises, used by the public to obtain goods or services.

(4)(a) All persons in an open public space need not wear a mask but must maintain a distance of at least one metre from another person.

(b)....

Substitution of regulation 69 of the Regulations

6. Regulation 69 of the regulations is hereby substituted of the following regulation:

Gatherings

- 69 (1) All gatherings, including faith-based or religious, social, political and cultural, gatherings at restaurants, bars, shebeens and taverns; gatherings at conferencing, exhibitions, dining, gyms, fitness centres, casinos and entertainment facilities, gatherings at venues hosting auctions including agricultural auctions, sporting activities, where persons who are-**
- (a) fully vaccinated and in possession of a valid vaccination certificate; or**
 - (b) unvaccinated but in possession of a valid certificate of a COVID-19 negative test, recognised by the World Health Organisation, which was obtained not more than 72 hours before the date of the gathering,**
are allowed at up to 50% of the capacity of the venue: provided that the entry to the venue is conditional upon production of a valid certificate as referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) and subject to strict adherence to all health protocols and social distancing measures.
 - c) Children under the age of 12 are exempted from a) and b) requirements.**
 - d) Gatherings even within school premises must comply with the SASREA requirements especially with spectators more than 2000.**
- (2) All gatherings, including faith-based or religious, social, political and cultural, gatherings at restaurants, bars, shebeens and taverns; gatherings at conferencing, exhibitions, dining, gyms, fitness centres, casinos and entertainment facilities, gatherings at venues hosting auctions including agricultural auctions, sporting activities, where persons who are-**
- (a) not fully vaccinated or in possession of a valid certificate;**
 - (b) unvaccinated and not in possession of valid certificate of a negative COVID-19 test, recognised by the World Health Organisation, which was obtained not more than 72 hours before the date of gathering,**
Are allowed but limited to 1000 persons or less for indoor venues and 2000 persons or less for outdoor venues, and if the venue is too small to hold the prescribed number of persons observing at a distance of at least one and half metres from each other, then not more than 50 percent of the capacity of the venue may be used, subject to strict adherence to all health protocols and social distancing measures.
- (3) An owner or operator of any indoor or outdoor facility where gatherings are held must display the certificates of occupancy, which sets out the maximum number of persons the facility may hold.**
- (4) An owner or operator of any indoor or outdoor facility where gatherings are held and who fails to display the certificate of occupancy as contemplated in sub regulation (3) is guilty of an offence and is, on conviction, liable to a fine or**

imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months or to both such fine and imprisonment.

- (5) A convener of a gathering who fails to comply with sub-regulation (1) and (2), commits an offence and is, on conviction, liable to a fine or imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months or to both such fine and imprisonment.
- (6) Gatherings at a workplace for work purposes are allowed, subject to strict adherence to all health protocols and social distancing measure

7. Sale, dispensing of alcohol at venues hosting sporting and cultural events

- (1) The sale of liquor for on- or off-site consumption is permitted during licenced trading hours, subject to the laws governing such licenses.
- (2) The consumption of liquor in public spaces, except in licensed on-site consumption premises, is not permitted.
- (3) The consumption of liquor in contravention of sub-regulation (2) is an offence.

8. Paragraph 6J of the Directions is hereby deleted.

9. Short title and commencement

These Directions are relating to sport, arts and culture activities and will come into effect on the date of publication in the Government Gazette.

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