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**DEPARTMENT OF BASIC EDUCATION**

NOTICE 224 OF 2021

**DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002**

**AMENDMENT OF DIRECTIONS ISSUED IN TERMS OF REGULATION 4(3), READ WITH REGULATION 69, OF THE REGULATIONS MADE UNDER THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT NO. 57 OF 2002), REGARDING THE RE-OPENING OF SCHOOLS AND MEASURES TO ADDRESS, PREVENT AND COMBAT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 IN THE NATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF BASIC EDUCATION, ALL PROVINCIAL DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION, ALL EDUCATION DISTRICT OFFICES AND ALL SCHOOLS IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

I, Angelina Matsie Motshekga, Minister of Basic Education, in terms of regulation 4(3), read with regulation 69, of the Regulations made under the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002), published under Government Notice No. R.480, in Government *Gazette* No. 43258 of 29 April 2020, as amended, hereby amend the Directions regarding the re-opening of schools and measures to address, prevent and combat the spread of COVID-19 in the National Department of Basic Education, and all Provincial Departments of Education, all education district offices and all schools in the Republic of South Africa, published under Government Notice No. 42, in Government *Gazette* No. 44154 of 12 February 2021, as amended, as set out in the Schedule.



**MRS AM MOTSHEKGA, MP**  
**MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION**  
**DATE: 22 APRIL 2021**

## SCHEDULE

### Definition

1. In this Schedule, the “Directions” means the Directions regarding the re-opening of schools and measures to address, prevent and combat the spread of COVID-19 in the National Department of Basic Education, and Provincial Departments of Education, and all schools in the Republic of South Africa, as published under Government Notice No. 42, in *Government Gazette* No. 44154 of 12 February 2021, and amended under Government Notice No. 145, published in *Government Gazette* No. 44339 of 27 March 2021.

### Amendment of direction 11 of Directions

2. Direction 11 of the Directions is hereby amended—

(a) by the substitution for sub-direction (1) of the following sub-direction:

“(1) The following activities are permitted and may resume, without any spectators, subject to compliance with hygiene and safety measures to prevent and combat the spread of COVID-19, and subject to compliance with social distancing measures pertaining to gatherings:

- (a) All school sport matches, which includes contact and non-contact sport;
- (b) physical education;
- (c) extracurricular activities; and
- (d) inter-school, district, provincial and national school sport tournaments.”;

(b) by the deletion of sub-direction (1A);

(c) by the substitution for the introductory paragraph in sub-direction (2) for the following paragraph:

“(2) The following safety measures must be adhered to when resuming the activities contemplated in sub-direction (1):”; and

(d) by the substitution in sub-direction (2) for paragraph (s) of the following paragraph:

“(s) the number of persons, including participants, referees, adjudicators, technical officials, volunteers, medical team, media or broadcasting team, and stadium workers, permitted at a venue at any one time is limited to—

(i) a maximum of 250 persons, for indoor venues; and

(ii) a maximum of 500 persons, for outdoor venues,

and if the venue is too small to hold 250 persons indoors or 500 persons outdoors, observing a distance of at least one and a 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.”.

### **Commencement**

3. These amendment directions come into operation on the date of publication thereof in the *Government Gazette*.





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