LEVEL 1 LOCKDOWN RULES

BASIC RULES AND GENERAL INFORMATION

- The curfew is now from midnight until 04h00 in the morning. Essential workers with permits are exempt as are those attending to security or medical emergencies.
- All Covid-19 safety protocols must be observed, including wearing a mask in public, social distancing, and sanitising.
- The UIF benefit has been extended until the end of the National State of Disaster to support workers and companies whose income remains at risk.

GATHERINGS

- Social distancing must be maintained at all gatherings.
- Social and religious gatherings including conferences, meetings, concerts, cinemas, theatres, weddings, and political gatherings are allowed, provided the venue does not exceed 50 % of its normal capacity.
- For indoor gatherings, the venue must adhere to a limit of 250 people or less.
- For outdoor gatherings, a maximum limit of 500 people applies as long as the venue doesn't exceed 50 % of its capacity.
- Gatherings at a workplace for work purposes are allowed.
- Gatherings at casinos, hotels, lodges, bed and breakfasts, timeshare facilities, resorts and guest houses are limited to not more than 50 % of the capacity of the venue; social distancing protocols must be maintained.
- Owners and operators of indoor or outdoor facilities (including restaurants) where gatherings are hosted must display a certificate of occupancy setting out the maximum number of people the venue may hold. The certificate must be in full view of the public. View a sample certificate here.
- Social events at a place of residence must be limited to 10 people or less.

ALCOHOL SALES

- Alcohol sales at licenced liquor outlets are permitted from Monday to Friday from 09h00 until 17h00.
- Alcohol can be consumed on site at licenced establishments provided the venues comply with the curfew, which is in place from midnight until 04h00.

TOURISM SECTOR

- International travel for leisure will be allowed from 1 October 2020. This means travellers from Africa and outside the African continent with a low rate of infections and transmission will be allowed into the country.
- All commercial seaports and 18 land borders will reopen from 1 October 2020.
- Airports to be used for international travel are OR Tambo International Airport, Cape Town International Airport and King Shaka International Airport.
- Upon arrival in South Africa, travellers should present a negative Covid-19 test result not older than 72 hours from the time of their departure. Failure to do so will result in the traveller being quarantined at their own cost.

- Visitors to South Africa will be required to install the Covid-19 alert level app.
- Travelling to and from countries considered high-risk will not be permitted. A list of high-risk countries will be published in due course and reviewed every two weeks based on the World Health Organisation's guidelines. Additionally, people from high-risk counties will be allowed into South Africa if they can prove they have investments in the country or are coming for strategic work.
- Inter-provincial travel for work and leisure purposes is still allowed.

BUSINESSES

- Construction projects, financial and business services and postal services and courier services are all permitted.
- Gyms and fitness centres can increase their capacity to 50 % and must observe hygiene protocols.
- All repair and related emergency services are allowed.
- Public administration and government services are permitted.

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES:

- Night clubs remain closed.
- Night vigils cannot take place
- Sports events cannot be attended.
- Travel by cruise liners for international leisure purposes is not allowed.