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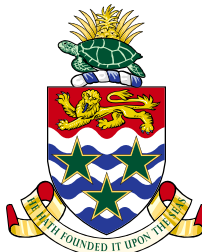
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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 34 of the Public Health Law (2002 Revision) the Cabinet makes the following Regulations —

Citation and commencement

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Prevention, Control and Suppression of Covid-19 (Partial Lifting of Restrictions) (No.2) Regulations, 2020.
- (2) These Regulations come into force on 21st June, 2020.

Definitions

2. In these Regulations —

“**festive ceremony**” means a ceremony to celebrate a locally recognised religious event or a public general holiday and includes an agricultural show;

“**public place**” means any highway, street, public park or garden, any sea beach and any public bridge, road, lane, footway, square, court, alley or passage, whether a thoroughfare or not; and includes any open space and any premises to which, for the time being, the public have or are permitted to have access, whether on payment or otherwise;

“**virus**” means the virus known as Covid-19; and

“**waters**” means the waters of the territorial seas of the Islands.

Definition of public meetings in Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac

3. (1) In these Regulations “**public meeting**” in Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac means a gathering of more than twenty-five persons in any public place for the purposes of engaging in the activities specified in paragraph (2).
- (2) The activities to which paragraph (1) relates are as follows —
- (a) leisure, recreational or spiritual activities including those organised by service clubs, faith-based organisations, community organisations, civic organisations and business organisations.
 - (b) parades and social activities related to such parades, including stage shows and parties;
 - (c) concerts;
 - (d) conventions;
 - (e) conferences;
 - (f) graduations; and
 - (g) fundraisers.
- (3) For the purposes of the definition of “public meeting”, “**person**” does not include a person employed to provide the activities specified in the definition of “public meeting”.

Public meetings - exemptions in Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac

4. (1) Subject to this regulation, the definition of “public meeting” in regulation 3 does not extend to any activity in the following public places in Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac —
- (a) establishments, institutions, businesses, organisations and offices, including cinemas and theatres; and
 - (b) any church which can accommodate more than twenty-five persons.
- (2) The owner or operator of a public place specified in paragraph (1) shall restrict the number of customers inside the place of business at any one time so that each customer is able to distance himself or herself at least six feet from any other person.
- (3) Every person who is indoors a public place specified in paragraph (1) shall wear a mask or cloth face covering in accordance with regulation 9.
- (4) Subject to regulations 7 and 13(2)(b), each person in a public place shall maintain a distance of at least six feet from another person.



- (5) A person who contravenes paragraph (2) or (4) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.

Educational institutions and facilities in Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac

5. (1) Educational institutions and facilities, including summer camps and vacation bible schools, may commence full operations on or after 5th July, 2020, including social and sporting activities.
- (2) Sporting activities at an educational institution or facility are subject to regulation 13(2)(b).

Public places and social distance in Little Cayman

6. (1) The owner or operator of a public place in Little Cayman shall restrict the number of customers inside the place of business at any one time so that each customer is able to distance himself or herself at least six feet from any other person.
- (2) Each person who is indoors a public place shall maintain a distance of at least six feet from another person.
- (3) Paragraph (2) does not apply to persons who reside at the same household.
- (4) A person who contravenes paragraph (1) or (2) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.

Restaurants and bars in Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac

7. (1) The following applies to restaurants and bars in Grand Cayman —
 - (a) from the date of commencement of these Regulations up to 11.59 p.m. on 4th July, 2020, restaurants and bars may offer services on any outside areas which form a part of the premises of the restaurant or bar, subject to the following conditions —
 - (i) each table shall be at least eight feet apart;
 - (ii) persons at a table shall be seated at least six feet apart;
 - (iii) no person shall be permitted to be seated or served at an indoor counter in a restaurant or bar;
 - (iv) servers and front of house staff shall wear masks or cloth face coverings while serving customers; and
 - (v) a restaurant or bar is permitted to operate within the hours of operation permitted by the *Liquor Licensing Law (2019 Revision)*, the *Sunday Trading Law (2014 Revision)* and the *Trade and Business Licensing Law (2019 Revision)*; and

- (b) on and after 5th July, 2020, restaurants and bars may offer indoor and outdoor services, subject to the following conditions —
- (i) each table shall be at least six feet apart;
 - (ii) persons at a table shall be seated at least three feet apart;
 - (iii) servers and front of house staff shall wear masks or cloth face coverings while serving customers; and
 - (iv) a restaurant or bar is permitted to operate within the hours of operation permitted by the *Liquor Licensing Law (2019 Revision)*, the *Sunday Trading Law (2014 Revision)* and the *Trade and Business Licensing Law (2019 Revision)*.
- (2) The following applies to restaurants and bars in Cayman Brac from the date of commencement of these Regulations —
- (a) servers and front of house staff shall wear masks or cloth face coverings while serving customers; and
 - (b) a restaurant or bar is permitted to operate within the hours of operation permitted by the *Liquor Licensing Law (2019 Revision)*, the *Sunday Trading Law (2014 Revision)* and the *Trade and Business Licensing Law (2019 Revision)*.
- (3) Up to 11:59 p.m. on 18th July, 2020, an owner or operator of a restaurant or bar in Grand Cayman or Cayman Brac shall not permit customers to engage in dancing or karaoke at the restaurant or bar.
- (4) An owner or operator of a restaurant or bar who contravenes or causes a contravention of paragraph (1), (2) or (3) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.

Nightclubs

8. (1) No person shall operate a nightclub in the Islands before 19th July, 2020.
- (2) An owner or operator of a nightclub who contravenes paragraph (1) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.

Wearing of masks in the Islands

9. (1) Any person over the age of two years old who is indoors a public place and is unable to, or does not maintain a distance of six feet from every other person, shall cover his or her mouth and nose with a mask or cloth face covering, except —
- (a) where the person is unable to wear a mask or cloth face covering due to a medical condition or the person is otherwise exempted by guidance provided by the Medical Officer of Health;



- (b) where the person is sitting or eating, without talking, at his or her desk at the person's place of employment; or
 - (c) where the person is a customer who is indoors a bar or restaurant and is sitting at a table inside of the bar or restaurant.
- (2) A person who refuses to wear a mask or cloth face covering because of a medical condition shall not be required to produce documentation verifying the condition.
 - (3) Paragraph (1) applies to all employees and customers of businesses and other organisations open to the public.
 - (4) All persons are also required to wear masks or cloth face coverings when providing or using the services of any taxi or ride-sharing, or similar public transport service or while within an enclosed or semi-enclosed waiting area for the transport service.
 - (5) The Medical Officer of Health shall issue written guidance to implement the provisions of this regulation, which shall include guidance for the use of masks or cloth face coverings by children between the ages of two and ten years old.
 - (6) The guidance under paragraph (5) shall be published in the *Gazette*, in any other official Government website or official means of communication.
 - (7) Where a customer refuses to wear a mask or cloth face covering for non-medical reasons, the owner or operator of a public place may refuse entry to the person.
 - (8) This regulation applies to all of the Islands.

Prohibition on holding of public meeting, procession or festive ceremony in Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac

- 10. (1) Subject to regulation 3(1), for the purposes of preventing, controlling and suppressing the spread of the virus, no person shall hold any public meeting, procession or festive ceremony in Grand Cayman or Cayman Brac until further notice or until such date as the Cabinet may by notice specify.
- (2) A notice under paragraph (1) shall be published in the *Gazette*, in any other official Government website or official means of communication.
- (3) A person who contravenes paragraph (1) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.

Restriction on certain activities and operations in Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac

- 11. (1) For the purposes of preventing, controlling and suppressing the spread of the virus in Grand Cayman, no person shall —
 - (a) up to 11.59 p.m. on 4th July, 2020, visit or permit entry to any person to —
 - (i) a strata gym; or

- (ii) a public gym; or
 - (b) up to 11.59 p.m. on 4th July, 2020, visit or permit entry to an educational institution, unless the person is involved in the distribution or collection of school supplies.
- (2) For the purposes of preventing, controlling and suppressing the spread of the virus in Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac, no person shall —
- (a) host or attend a wedding which hosts more than twenty-five persons other than the bride, bridegroom, official witnesses and the marriage officer; or
 - (b) host or attend a funeral where there are more than twenty-five persons other than the six pallbearers, at least one officiant and essential mortuary staff.
- (3) A person who contravenes paragraph (1) or (2) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.

Restriction on visitation in Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac

- 12.** (1) With the exception of —
- (a) the Medical Officer of Health or a person authorised by the Medical Officer of Health in the case of Grand Cayman; and
 - (b) the Director of the Sister Islands Health Services or a person authorised by the Director of the Sister Islands Health Services in the case of Cayman Brac,
- for the purposes of surveillance or management of a person in quarantine or isolation, no person shall visit or be permitted to visit a place or a person referred to in paragraph (2).
- (2) The following are the places and persons referred to in paragraph (1) —
- (a) a place or facility of quarantine or isolation;
 - (b) a detainee in a prison or place of detention; or
 - (c) a patient in a health care facility.
- (3) No person shall, except with the written permission of —
- (a) the Medical Officer of Health in the case of Grand Cayman; and
 - (b) the Director of the Sister Islands Health Services in the case of Cayman Brac,
- visit or be permitted to visit a residential home care facility.
- (4) A person who contravenes paragraph (1) or (3) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.



Exercise in Grand Cayman

- 13.** (1) On and after 21st June, 2020, a person may exercise at any time but shall be subject to the public meeting and distance requirements of these Regulations.
- (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) —
- (a) a person shall not exercise in a strata gym or public gym before 5th July, 2020; and
- (b) a person shall not engage in contact sports before 19th July, 2020.
- (3) A person who contravenes paragraph (1) or (2) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.

Public Transport in Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac

- 14.** (1) An operator of a taxi or an omnibus in Grand Cayman or Cayman Brac shall only drive such taxi or omnibus on the following conditions —
- (a) only half of the total seating capacity of the taxi or omnibus is used at any time;
- (b) seating in the taxi or omnibus is staggered in such a way that each passenger is able to distance himself or herself as far as possible from the other passenger and the driver; and
- (c) all persons, including the driver of the taxi or omnibus, shall wear masks or cloth face coverings when in the taxi or omnibus.
- (2) A person who contravenes paragraph (1)(a) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.

Scuba diving and snorkelling in Grand Cayman

- 15.** (1) Subject to paragraph (2), no person shall rent any scuba or snorkelling equipment to any customer for any scuba diving or snorkelling activity, including for any training in scuba diving or snorkelling.
- (2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to dive tanks.
- (3) A person who contravenes paragraph (1) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.

Travelling by boat for pleasure - Grand Cayman

- 16.** (1) Subject to this regulation in Grand Cayman, on and after 21st June, 2020 a person may use a boat on any day subject to the following conditions —
- (a) no more than ten persons shall be on any boat; and
- (b) no person shall travel by boat for pleasure to visit Cayman Brac or Little Cayman.

- (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), no person shall, before 19th July, 2020, operate or manoeuvre a boat so as to congregate or gather with any other person on any other boat or vessel where the number of persons gathering exceeds ten persons.
- (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), no person shall, before 19th July, 2020, congregate or conduct any boating activity in the waters in the areas specified in the Schedule.
- (4) A person who contravenes paragraph (1), (2) or (3) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.

Travelling by boat for pleasure - Cayman Brac

- 17.** (1) In Cayman Brac, a person may use a boat on any day subject to the following conditions —
- (a) no more than ten persons shall be on a boat; and
 - (b) no person shall travel by boat for pleasure to visit Grand Cayman.
- (2) A person who contravenes paragraph (1) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.

Travel between the Islands

- 18.** (1) Subject to this regulation, any person may travel between the Islands by air transport.
- (2) Persons who carry out essential services in the Islands may travel between the Islands by air transport or by boat.
- (3) Subject to paragraph (2) and this regulation, no person in Grand Cayman is permitted to travel by boat to Cayman Brac or Little Cayman except for the transport of freight to Cayman Brac or Little Cayman.
- (4) Persons travelling to Cayman Brac or Little Cayman from Grand Cayman by air transport or by boat to carry out essential services as provided in paragraph (2) are not required to be quarantined or isolated in accordance with the Law and the regulations made thereunder.
- (5) Up to 11.59 p.m. on 4th July, 2020, a person who wishes to travel from Grand Cayman to Cayman Brac or Little Cayman shall —
- (a) prior to travelling —
 - (i) notify the Medical Officer of Health of the proposed travel;
 - (ii) remain at a place of isolation as specified by the Medical Officer of Health for a period of not less than fourteen days; and
 - (iii) be tested for the virus; and
 - (b) only be permitted to travel after such test has been declared to be negative by the Medical Officer of Health.



- (6) Where a person referred to in paragraph (5) has tested negative for the virus, the person shall be transported immediately after the person has received the results to the airport for boarding, by a person assigned by the Medical Officer of Health.
- (7) On and after 5th July, 2020, a person who wishes to travel from Grand Cayman to Cayman Brac or Little Cayman shall —
 - (a) within forty-eight hours prior to travelling —
 - (i) notify the Medical Officer of Health of the proposed travel; and
 - (ii) be tested for the virus; and
 - (b) only be permitted to travel after such test has been declared to be negative by the Medical Officer of Health.
- (8) Where a person referred to in paragraph (7) has tested negative for the virus, the person shall be transported immediately after the person has received the results to the airport for boarding, by a person assigned by the Medical Officer of Health.
- (9) For the purposes of this regulation, “**essential services**” includes services provided by the following persons —
 - (a) medical personnel;
 - (b) engineers;
 - (c) crane operators;
 - (d) truck operators;
 - (e) utility workers;
 - (f) persons employed to physically deliver propane gas to premises or to otherwise deal with propane gas;
 - (g) persons engaged in the exercise of Cabinet, parliamentary or judicial duties;
 - (h) civil servants designated as essential workers by the Chief Officer of the Portfolio of the Civil Service;
 - (i) officers of the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service referred to in section 3 of the *Police Law (2017 Revision)*;
 - (j) customs and border control officers of the Customs and Border Control Service established under section 3 of the *Customs and Border Control Law, 2018*;
 - (k) officers of the Fire Brigade established under section 3 of the *Fire Brigade Law (2006 Revision)*;
 - (l) prison officers;
 - (m) persons providing security services; and
 - (n) such other persons as approved by —

- (i) the Medical Officer of Health, in the case of Grand Cayman; and
 - (ii) the Director of the Sister Islands Health Services, the District Commissioner for Cayman Brac and Little Cayman or the Deputy of the District Commissioner in the case of Cayman Brac or Little Cayman.
- (10) A person who contravenes paragraph (3), (5) or (7) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.

Repeal of the Prevention, Control and Suppression of Covid-19 (Partial Lifting of Restrictions) Regulations, 2020

- 19.** The *Prevention, Control and Suppression of Covid-19 (Partial Lifting of Restrictions) Regulations, 2020* are repealed.

Expiry

- 20.** These Regulations shall continue in force until 2nd August, 2020 or until such later date as the Cabinet may specify by notice in the *Gazette*, in any other official Government website or official means of communication.



SCHEDULE

(regulation 16(3))

Areas of Grand Cayman in which congregating and boating activities are prohibited

Persons shall not congregate or conduct any boating activity in the waters of the following areas —

1. the area known as Star Fish Point, that is to say the area within a radius of 3/4 of a mile of Latitude 19° 21.370'N Longitude 81° 17.014'W;
2. the area known as Rum Point, that is to say the area within a radius of 3/4 of a mile of Latitude 19° 22.284'N Longitude 81° 16.392'W;
3. the area known as Sandbar, that is to say the area within a radius of 3/4 of a mile of Latitude 19° 22.536'N Longitude 81° 18.295'W; and
4. the area known as Stingray City, that is to say the area within a radius of 3/4 of a mile of Latitude 19°23'18.43'N Longitude 81° 20'45'W.

Made in Cabinet the 16th day of June, 2020.

Kim Bullings
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