



INDEPENDENT STATE OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA
NATIONAL PANDEMIC ACT 2020

OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER
NO.9 BUSINESS AND SOCIAL MEASURES

I, Commissioner David Manning, Controller, by virtue of the powers conferred by Section 9 of the *National Pandemic Act 2020* and all other enabling powers, hereby issue the following measures:

1. Venues or parts of venues must close for the duration of the Pandemic that provide night club activities and services.
2. Venues or parts of venues that operate for the purpose of the sale and consumption of alcohol, including restaurants and gambling venues may operate subject to;
 - a) all persons on entry and exist from venues must wash their hands with soap or hand sanitiser;
 - b) follow all other hygiene standards as issued by the Controller
3. PNG Sports Foundation shall be responsible for:
 - a. approving requests for affiliated bodies to resume training;
 - b. approving requests for affiliated sporting matches;
 - c. in consultation with the National Department of Health, setting protocols and guidelines for sporting clubs, teams and matches relating to COVID-19; and
 - d. all spectators must be wearing a mask or face covering which covers their mouth, nose and chin.
4. PNG Sports Foundation shall provide a weekly report by Friday 5pm to the Emergency Controller of any request submitted and the status of the request.
5. All markets must comply with social distancing requirements and safe and hygienic practices as issued by the Controller.
6. Local religious activities may continue to operate, but must adhere to the follow restrictions:



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- a. social distancing of at least 1.5 meters between each person;
 - b. all persons on entry and exist into the place of worship must wash their hands with soap or hand sanitiser; and
 - c. follow all other hygiene standards as issued by the Controller.
7. The following religious gatherings shall not occur:
- a. Provincial church gatherings;
 - b. National church gatherings;
 - c. Crusades;
 - d. Conventions; and
 - e. Provincial or national outreach programs.
8. Licensed bookmakers may only operate:
- a. on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays; and
 - b. only at venues located in places listed in schedule 1.
9. An immediate ban is placed on gatherings of over 100 persons.
10. Non-compliance with this order is unlawful and may be penalised under the Act or other applicable laws.
11. Non-compliance with this measure should be reported to an authorised officer or the Provincial Police Commander.
12. Any Authorised Officer(s) appointed by the Controller pursuant to the Act, shall carry out and enforce the measures accordingly.
13. These Measure come into effect on 23 July 2020, except paragraph 1, which shall come into effect on 24 July 2020, and shall apply until the end of the Declaration of a pandemic under the Act, or as varied or revoked by the Controller.

Signed:

Date:

22/7/20

DAVID MANNING, MBE, DPS, QPM
CONTROLLER





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Schedule 1 – Licensed Bookmakers Venues

- Port Moresby
- Lae
- Mount Hagen
- Madang
- Goroka