

State of Emergency: Key business restrictions on companies

- Under the Government of Georgia Order N181 on the Approval of Measures to Prevent the Spread of the New Coronavirus in Georgia.
- The following main restrictions apply to businesses:

Restrictions on economic activities

- Supply/sale of any goods/products has been suspended within the following exceptions:
 - Retail sale of food/feed, animal, products of animal and plant origin, household chemicals and hygiene, veterinary drugs, pesticides, agrochemicals, seed and planting materials.
 - Supply of electronic communication, electricity, natural gas, water, gasoline, diesel, liquefied gas.
 - Sale of medical products, pharmaceuticals;
 - Retail/wholesale supply of goods/products if delivered by on-site delivery or if wholesale is carried out without the access to the sales space.
 - o Newsstands.
- The activities of club and entertainment recreation centers, cinemas, fitness centers, beauty salons and night clubs are suspended. The provision of gambling and lucrative gaming services is permitted only in an electronic form.

Obligations of specific companies

The Ordinance sets forth specific obligations regarding hygiene and food temperature on companies producing/processing/delivering food. The obligations regarding hygiene and social distance are imposed on companies delivering food to retail/wholesale outlet.

Restrictions on private property

Upon request of the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development, any physical and legal entities must perform the following:

- Arranging a charter flight to the requested location to bring Georgian citizens and/or transport cargo in Georgia if these physical or legal entities can carry out air transportation.
- Transportation of relevant persons to the requested location for placing them in the quarantine zone and/or transportation of cargo, if these physical or legal entities can carry out road transportation.
- Provision of hotel and/or similar accommodation facilities, and respective accommodation-related services under mandatory quarantine if these physical or legal entities own a hotel-type facility and/or can provide such services.

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Restrictions on state authorities

- The Minister of Justice will determine new rules for the activities of the Penitentiary Service, the Notary Chamber and the National Archives.
- The Ordinance restricts the activities of the National Enforcement Bureau, inter alia, enforcement proceedings regarding reclaiming immovable property from another person's possession as well as regarding demolishing of immovable property have been suspended.
- The Ordinance establishes new rules for electronic case management, administrative proceedings and issuance of public information, inter alia, the timeframe for filing and reviewing administrative complaints has been suspended.

Other restrictions

 All International passenger flights, land and sea travels has been suspended within the exceptions specified under the Ordinance.

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