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### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT

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#### DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002

#### AMENDMENT OF THE DIRECTIONS ISSUED IN TERMS OF REGULATION 10(7) OF THE REGULATIONS MADE IN UNDER SECTION 27(2) OF THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT NO. 57 OF 2002): MEASURES TO PREVENT AND COMBAT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 IN THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES

I, **Fikile Mbalula**, MP, Minister of Transport, hereby in terms of regulation 10(7) (b) of the Regulations issued in terms of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002) amends Government Notice No. 412 published in Government Gazette No. 43157 of 26 March 2020 as set out hereunder.

1. By the substitution of Directions (3) for the following:

"(3) Public Transport permitted to ferry essential services workers will operate from 05h00 to **10h00** and from 16h00 to 20h00."

2. By the addition of the following Directions:

(1) "6 (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of direction 6(3), public transport is provided with the following grace periods for picking up and dropping off, of passengers:

(a) Minibuses and Midibuses Public Transport is permitted to proceed to a pickup point an hour before the operating times, which is from 05h00 to 10h00 without loading passengers; and

(b) Minibuses and Midibuses Public Transport is permitted to proceed to drop off points an hour after the drop off time of 10h00 which would be 11h00.

(c) Minibuses and Midibuses Public Transport is permitted to proceed to a pick-up point without loading passengers at 15h00 in order to start picking up at 16h00 to 20h00 to finish dropping off passengers at 21h00.

- (2) "6 (6) (a) During the lock-down period and unless determined by the Minister of Transport, private institutions or companies may make arrangements for the transportation of their workers who are rendering essentials services as listed in Annexure B of Disaster Management Act 2002, Amendment Regulations issues in terms of Section 27 (2) in line with the operating shifts, work time schedules as determined by the responsible head of operations, Manager, Head of the Department or a person with responsible authority within such institution; and
- (b) The operating shifts or work schedules or time table should be stamped and signed by such person with authority as contemplated in direction 6(6) (a) above."

This amendment Notice shall come into effect on the date of publication in the *Government Gazette*.



MR F.A. MBALULA, MP

MINISTER OF TRANSPORT

DATE: 30/03/2020

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**“8. LOADING CAPACITY OF MINIBUS AND MIDIBUS**

- (1) During the lockdown period, and unless otherwise determined by the Minister of Transport, the following Public Transport vehicles must reduce their maximum licensed passenger seating capacity by 70% with no masks as follows:
  - (a) A minibus licensed to carry 10 passengers, is limited to carry a maximum of 7 passengers;
  - (b) A minibus licensed to carry 15 passengers, is limited to carry the maximum of 10 passengers;
  - (c) A midi-bus permitted to carry a maximum of 22 passengers, is limited to carry a maximum of 15 passengers.
- (2) A vehicle licenced to carry up to 4 passengers is limited to carrying 50% of their permissible passenger carrying capacity.

**OR**

- (3) During the lockdown period, all Minibus and Midibus taxi vehicles are permitted to load their maximum 100% passenger loading capacity as provided in the operating license on condition that all passengers are wearing masks.

(4) For the purpose of these Directions the masks must be of the following categories:

- (a) Surgical masks;
- (b) N95 respiratory masks.

(5) All public transport operators must put measures in place to adhere to social distancing to curb the spread of the virus. "

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**MR F.A. MBALULA, MP**

**MINISTER OF TRANSPORT**

**DATE:** 30/03/2020