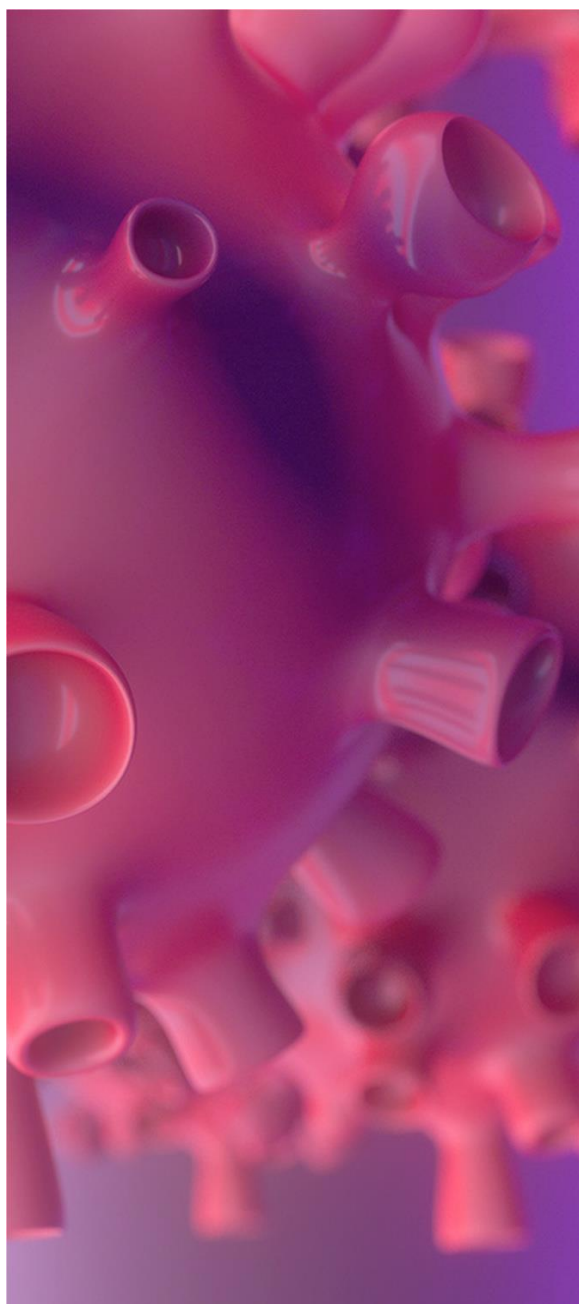

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Although the daily number of COVID-19 infections and hospitalizations has fallen after restrictive measures were strengthened from January 14, the epidemiological situation in Portugal continues to warrant maintaining the state of emergency, as infection rates, hospitalizations and deaths remain high.

Therefore, the President of the Republic renewed the state of emergency for a further 15 days, starting at midnight on February 15 and ending at 11:59 p.m. on March 1, 2021.

The government decided to maintain the rules already in place to further reduce the number of daily COVID-19 infections. Therefore, Decree 3-E/2021 of February 12 extends, until March 1, all the restrictive measures that were already in force. To read more about those measures, see our COVID-19 Legal Flash no. 40, which was updated on January 24 and is available [here](#); and our COVID-19 Legal Flash no. 42 of January 29, which is available [here](#).

You can find updated information on travel restrictions to and from Portugal in our COVID-19 Legal Flash no. 45 (International travel to and from Portugal), available [here](#).

The only new development is that supermarkets and hypermarkets are now allowed to sell books and school supplies, even though bookstores remain closed.



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