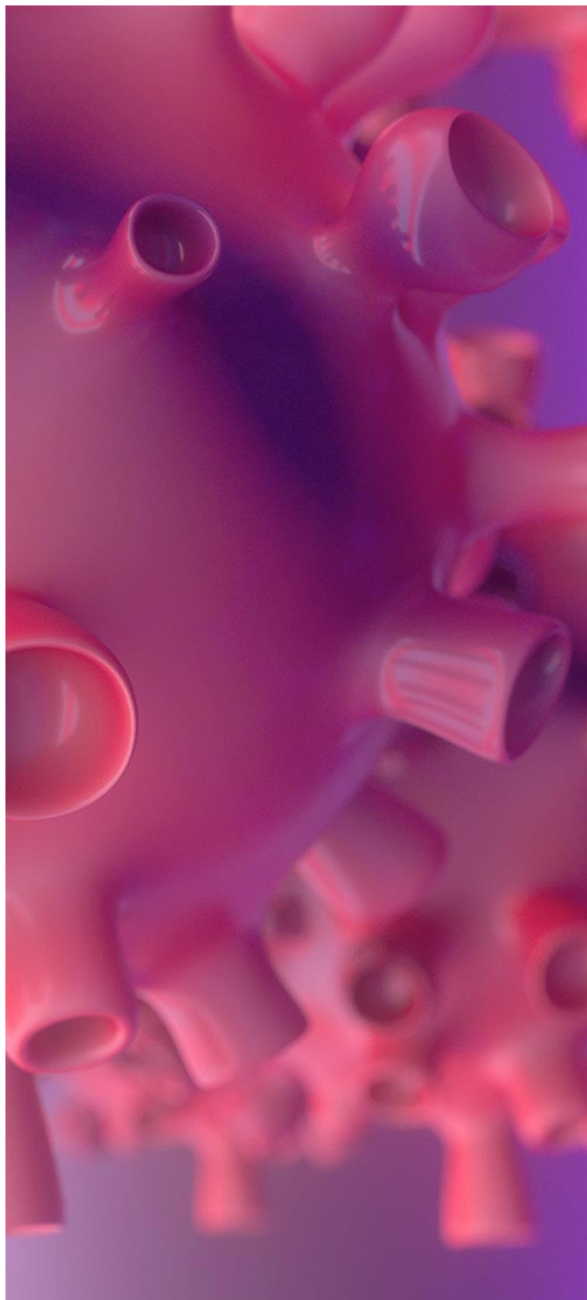


---

# COVID-19 (No. 21)

Legal Flash | Portugal

June 15, 2020



- 
- **Third extension of the situation of calamity and new deconfinement measures - Council of Ministers Resolution 43-B/2020, of June 12**



---

## Third extension of the situation of calamity and new deconfinement measures

Despite the positive evolution of the pandemic, the government believes that it is necessary to further extend the situation of calamity, which was approved by Council of Ministers Resolution 43-B/2020, of June 12. This resolution provides continuity to the gradual lifting of suspensions and prohibitions decreed during the state of emergency and pushes towards a gradual return to business as-normal.

The third extension of the situation of calamity declaration will take effect between 00:00 on June 15 to 23:59 on June 28, 2020, regardless of its extension or modification, as necessary, depending on how the pandemic evolves.

It should be highlighted that the special restrictions applicable to the Lisbon Metropolitan Area have been cancelled in this phase. These had been effective during the previous deconfinement phase with regards to gatherings, the reopening of shops and the provision of services.

### MEASURES APPLICABLE TO PEOPLE

The measures applying to people are practically the same that those of phase three, which are available [here](#).

Only COVID-19 patients and people being actively monitored will continue to be subject to confinement; freedom of movement is unrestricted for all others.

Gatherings within the Lisbon Metropolitan Area will be limited to 20 people (except for religious ceremonies, family and corporate events, which are governed by their own rules defined by the DGS) as in the rest of the country and not only to 10, as has been the case until now.

On the other hand, the restriction on riding in private vehicles for more than five people, which applied to the Lisbon Metropolitan Area, has been extended nationwide. This means these vehicles may only travel with two thirds of their capacity, and occupants must wear a face mask or visor, unless all occupants are members of the same household.

### MEASURES APPLICABLE TO COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES

This new phase removes the special limitations on reopening stores and providing services that applied to the Lisbon Metropolitan Area during the previous deconfinement phase. Therefore,



all stores and service providers **nationwide** can **now open, including establishments larger than 400 m<sup>2</sup>, as well as those located in retail centres**, with the following exceptions:

- **Leisure, recreational and entertainment activities:** dance or entertainment halls, amusement parks and recreational halls for children, other outlets and similar facilities;
- **Cultural activities:** national, regional and municipal caves, both public and private (regardless of worker access for maintenance) and squares, outlets and bullfighting facilities;
- **Sports activities** (except those for federated sports people in training): pavilions or indoor premises, except those for practicing individual contactless sports, indoor soccer, basketball, handball, volleyball, roller skating, indoor skating and ice hockey rinks, boxing rings, martial arts and similar sports and indoor athletics tracks;
- **Activities in open spaces and public streets:** parades, public festivities and folklore or any other kind of events;
- **Gaming and gambling spaces:** gaming and recreational halls;
- **Drinks establishments:** bars and similar establishments, with or without dance floors, except those that are part of tourism and local accommodation establishments exclusively for their guests;
- Hot springs and spas or similar establishments, as well as solariums.

Teaching centres and language schools, which have remained closed until now, can now open.

### Rules applicable to business activities and commercial establishments open to the public

- > The following rules remain substantially the same to those in effect during prior deconfinement phases: **occupation, permanence and physical distancing, hygiene, availability of disinfectant solutions, priority care and customer information.**
- > The **operating hours** rule that establishments resuming activities may **not open before 10:00 a. m. under any circumstances** remains in effect. However, establishments with their normal opening hours affected by this limitation may postpone their closing time for an equivalent period of time. Already in previous deconfinement phases, these rules did not apply to hairdressers, barbers, beauty salons, restaurants, cafés, tea parlours and similar establishments, driving schools and technical vehicle inspection centres. **Gyms and academies now join** this list of establishments that can open sooner.



## MEASURES APPLICABLE TO PUBLIC SERVICES

- After removing the special limitations that applied to the Lisbon Metropolitan Area during the previous deconfinement phase, the Citizen's Bureaus (*Lojas do Cidadão*) of this Area also return to operation, under the rules already in effect for public services in general:
  - Possibility of face-to-face service by appointment, and service provision through digital means and citizen and company contact centres;
  - Application of hygiene measures and support hours applicable to establishments open to the public.



---

## Contact

Cuatrecasas, Gonçalves Pereira & Associados,  
Sociedade de Advogados, SP, RL  
Sociedade profissional de responsabilidade limitada

### Lisbon

Praça Marquês de Pombal, 2 (e 1-8º) | 1250-160 Lisboa | Portugal  
Tel. (351) 21 355 3800 | Fax (351) 21 353 2362  
cuatrecasasportugal@cuatrecasas.com | www.cuatrecasas.com

### Oporto

Avenida da Boavista, 3265 - 5.1 | 4100-137 Oporto | Portugal  
Tel. (351) 22 616 6920 | Fax (351) 22 616 6949  
cuatrecasasporto@cuatrecasas.com | www.cuatrecasas.com

---

Cuatrecasas has set up a Coronavirus Task Force, a multidisciplinary team that constantly analyses the situation emerging from the COVID-19 pandemic. For additional information, please contact our taskforce by email [TFcoronavirusPT@cuatrecasas.com](mailto:TFcoronavirusPT@cuatrecasas.com) or through your usual contact at Cuatrecasas. You can read our publications or attend our webinars on our [website](#).

© Cuatrecasas, Gonçalves Pereira & Associados, Sociedade de Advogados, SP, RL 2020.

The total or partial reproduction is forbidden. All rights reserved. This communication is a selection of the news and legislation considered to be relevant on reference topics and it is not intended to be an exhaustive compilation of all the news of the reporting period. The information contained on this page does not constitute legal advice in any field of our professional activity.

### Information about the processing of your personal data

**Data Controller:** Cuatrecasas, Gonçalves Pereira & Associados, Sociedade de Advogados, SP, RL ("Cuatrecasas Portugal").

**Purposes:** management of the use of the website, of the applications and/or of your relationship with Cuatrecasas Portugal, including the sending of information on legislative news and events promoted by Cuatrecasas Portugal.

**Legitimacy:** the legitimate interest of Cuatrecasas Portugal and/or, where applicable, the consent of the data subject.

**Recipients:** third parties to whom Cuatrecasas Portugal is contractually or legally obliged to communicate data, as well as to companies in its group.

**Rights:** access, rectify, erase, oppose, request the portability of your data and/or restrict its processing, as described in the additional information.

For more detailed information on how we process your data, please go to our [data protection policy](#).

If you have any questions about how we process your data, or if you do not wish to continue receiving communications from Cuatrecasas Portugal, please send a message to the following email address [data.protection.officer@cuatrecasas.com](mailto:data.protection.officer@cuatrecasas.com).