

REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO

ORDER no. 2 - year 2020

Urgent measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

The Minister of Health and Social Security,

Acknowledging Congress of State Decision no. 1 of 23 February 2020, which approves the text of this Order and mandates the Minister of Health and Social Security to issue it;

Acknowledging the spread of the COVID-19 epidemic and the significant increase in cases and deaths notified to the World Health Organization;

Given the size of the epidemic phenomenon and the involvement of several areas on the Italian territory;

Having regard to the extraordinary and urgent Order issued on 23 February 2020 by the Italian Minister of Health in agreement with the President of the Emilia-Romagna Region; Taking into account previous Order no. 1/2020 and confirming the provisions contained therein; in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the territory of the Republic of San Marino; therefore, given the conditions of need and urgency,

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Art. 1

to adopt the following measures:

- A) to suspend any events or initiatives and all forms of meeting in public or private places, including cultural, recreational, sporting activities, etc., held in places both closed and open to the public;
- B) to suspend socio-educational services for early childhood, both public and private, and schools of all levels, as well as attendance of school activities and higher education, professional courses, Vocational Training Centre, San Marino Musical Institute and University, except for distance learning activities;
- C) to suspend all school excursions both in the territory and abroad;
- D) to suspend the opening of museums and other cultural institutions and places (libraries, cinemas, theatres, etc.) to the public;
- E) The following hygiene measures for respiratory diseases shall be adopted:

- 1. Wash hands frequently: in this regard, it is recommended to make available alcohol-based hand rubs in all public places, gyms, supermarkets, pharmacies and other meeting places;
- 2. Avoid close contact with people suffering from acute respiratory infections;
- 3. Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth with hands;
- 4. When coughing and sneezing, cover mouth and nose with flexed elbow or a disposable handkerchief;
- 5. Do not take antiviral drugs or antibiotics unless prescribed by the doctor;
- 6. Clean surfaces with chlorine or alcohol-based disinfectants;
- 7. Use the mask if you suspect that you are sick or are assisting sick people;
- 8. Made in China products and packages received from China are not dangerous;
- 9. Pets do not spread the new Coronavirus;
- F) The Management of the Hospital Department shall set up restrictions on visitors' access to the hospital areas, preferably one person per patient per day;
- G) Also residential social-health facilities for dependent persons shall limit access of visitors to patients;
- H) Healthcare personnel shall strictly comply with the prevention measures for the spread of respiratory infections, as well as with the strict application of the indications for sanitation and disinfection of premises, on the basis of the instructions given by the Coordination Group for Health Emergencies.

Art. 2

All the administrative staff of the facilities subject to the provisions above shall regularly go to the workplace for caretaking, cleaning, sanitation and ordinary administrative activities.

Art. 3

This Order shall be immediately in force until midnight on 1 March 2020. Failure to comply with the measures provided for herein shall constitute a violation of this Order punishable under Article 259 of the Criminal Code, unless it constitutes a more serious offence.

San Marino, 23 February 2020

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SECURITY

Signed by Roberto Ciavatta