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The following documents are published with and form part of this *Extraordinary Gazette*:

Statutory Instruments

- No. 86A of 2021 COVID-19 (Prevention and Control) (Physical Distancing) (No. 6) Order.
- No. 86B of 2021 COVID-19 (Prevention and Control) (Prohibition of Assembly) (No. 6) Order.
- No. 86C of 2021 COVID-19 (Prevention and Control) (Testing and Quarantine) Regulations.

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SAINT LUCIA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT, 2021, No. 86A

[28th May, 2021]

In exercise of the power conferred under section 17 of the COVID-19 (Prevention and Control) Act, No. 9 of 2020, the Minister responsible for health, makes this Order:

Citation

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the COVID-19 (Prevention and Control) (Physical Distancing) (No. 6) Order, 2021.
 - (2) This Order comes into force on the 31st day of May, 2021.

Physical distancing

2. In an effort to prevent the spread of COVID-19, a person shall distance himself or herself no less than three feet from another person.

Duty of business, establishment or office

- 3. A business, establishment or office
 - (a) shall ensure that a customer and staff maintain physical distancing in accordance with section 2 in or outside the business, establishment or office:
 - (b) shall determine the number of persons that may be permitted in the business, establishment or office at any one time by permitting one person for every nine or more square feet of space;
 - (c) may place prominent distance markers, indicating where each customer must stand on a line at a checkout point;
 and
 - (d) may place distance markers apart on the outside of the business, establishment or office, indicating where customers must stand while waiting to enter the business, establishment or office.

Operation of educational institutions

- **4.**—(1) From the 19th day of April, 2021, an educational institution shall operate within the hours specified under the Education Act, Cap. 18.01.
- (2) Without limiting the generality of subsection (1), an educational institution based on physical infrastructure and student numbers, with the written permission of the Chief Education Officer, may
 - (a) use a whole school approach; or
 - (b) use the alternate day approach with instructions supplemented using distributed learning with at least three days of face-to-face instructions per six-day cycle.
- (3) In this section, "distributed learning" means non-face-to-face communication between a student and a teacher, including, online learning, correspondence and prepared learning instruction packages.

Operation of business, establishment or office

- **5.**—(1) A business, establishment or office
 - (a) may open at minimal operation using a blended approach;
 - (b) shall cease operation at 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. on each day.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to the essential services, business, establishment or office specified in the Schedule.
- (3) Without prejudice to subsection (1)(a) and subject to section 6(2), a restaurant and other food establishments may provide dine-in service.
- (4) A business, establishment or office that is not specified in the Schedule shall close operations from 9 p.m. to 4 a.m.
- (5) In this section, "blended approach" means operations that combine
 - (a) physical attendance;
 - (b) working remotely; or
 - (c) virtual means.

Sale and disposal of intoxicating liquor

- **6.**—(1) A person with a valid licence under the Liquor Licence Act, Cap. 13.17 may
 - (a) dispose of intoxicating liquor;
 - (b) permit a person to consume intoxicating liquor on licenced premises.
- (2) Subject to subsection (1), a person with a valid liquor licence under the Liquor Licence Act, Cap. 13.17 that offers for sale or disposes of intoxicating liquor only, shall operate from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on each day.
- (3) Without prejudice to section 27 of the Liquor Licence Act, Cap. 13.17, a person with a valid liquor licence under the Liquor Licence Act, Cap.13.17 shall display in a conspicuous place at the licensed premises the liquor licence and the COVID-19 Protocols with regard to the sale and disposal of intoxicating liquor.
- (4) In this section, "licensed premises" means a building or place for which a liquor licence has been granted under the Liquor Licence Act, Cap. 13.17.

Expiry

7. This Order expires on the 30th day of June, 2021.

SCHEDULE

(Section 5(2))

PART I ESSENTIAL SERVICES

Health Services	Hospital Clinic Public and Private Pharmacies Medical Shops Dialysis Centre Diagnosis and Lab Services Private Doctor practices Veterinary Services
Police Fire Emergency Services Safety and Security Private Security	All Services
Public Transportation Services The Public Service	All Services Immigration Customs and Excise Department Department of Infrastructure Department of Transport
The National Emergency Management Organization	All Services
Sanitation and Solid Waste Management Services	Collection Disposal Cleaning operations
Air and Sea Ports	Airport operations, subject to travel restrictions Shipping Services Cargo Services Port Police Security General Administration
Customs Brokerage Courier Services Online Commerce	Operations Delivery

Broadcasting and Media	Production Operations and Information Dissemination
Postal Services	All Services
Public or private electricity, water, telecommunications and other utility services	Production Operation Repairs Maintenance
Cleaning services	All Services

PART II BUSINESS, ESTABLISHMENT OR OFFICE

Service/Activity	Component
Public Sector Construction	St. Jude's Hospital Reconstruction Project National Road Rehabilitation
	Program (Rodney Bay Roundabout Project)
Manufacturing	All Services
COVID-19 Certified Accommodation Provider	All Services
Call Centers	All Services
Farming Activities	All activities carried out by a farmer registered with the Ministry of Agriculture and who presents the identification card issued on registration
Fishing Activities	All activities carried out by a fisherman licensed under the Fisheries Act, Cap. 7.15

Made this 28th day of May, 2021.

MARY ISAAC, Minister responsible for health.

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COVID-19 (Prevention and Control) (Prohibition of Assembly) (No. 6) Order

SAINT LUCIA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT, 2021, No. 86B

[28th May, 2021]

In exercise of the power conferred under section 16 of the COVID-19 (Prevention and Control) Act, No. 9 of 2020, the Minister responsible for health, makes this Order:

Citation

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the COVID-19 (Prevention and Control) (Prohibition of Assembly) (No. 6) Order, 2021.
 - (2) This Order comes into force on the 31st day of May, 2021.

Restriction on social activities

- 2.—(1) A person shall not host or attend
 - (a) a mass crowd event;
 - (b) a competitive or high-contact sporting activity, including in-door and out-door training and local competitions;
 - (c) a social event, except
 - (i) with no more than fifty persons who are fully vaccinated,
 - (ii) in the case of a night-time boat excursion, for crewed yacht charters and family boaters, with prior notice of the excursion plan being given to the lighthouse before the journey.
 - (2) This section does not prevent
 - (a) a person from training and exercising, whether indoor or outdoor, through gym workouts, if the physical distancing protocols specified under the COVID-19 (Prevention and Control) (Physical Distancing) Order are complied with in the square footage of the gym;

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- (b) an athlete from participating in one-on-one coaching or training for contact sports, selective competitions and associated community engagements with permission from the Ministry responsible for sports;
- (c) a low or medium-contact sporting activity, excluding, spectators and crowds;
- (d) with the permission of the Ministry responsible for health, a competitive sporting activity within a controlled sporting facility with spectators who are fully vaccinated.

(3) A faith-based organization —

- (a) may hold a daily or regular religious ceremony if the physical disancing protocols specified under the COVID-19 (Prevention and Control) (Physical Distancing) Order is complied with within the square footage of the faith-based organization in keeping with a COVID-19 Response Plan approved by the Ministry of Equity, Social Justice, Local Government and Empowerment;
- (b) shall not hold special religious rites including baptisms, weddings and funerals by physical attendance, unless there are no more than fifty persons in attendance.

(4) In this section —

"fully vaccinated" means that two weeks have passed since a person received —

- (a) a single-dose vaccine, such as, Johnson & Johnson;
- (b) the second dose in a two-dose series of Astrazeneca, Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna; or
- (c) another COVID-19 vaccine approved by the Minister on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer:

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- "social event"
 - (a) includes
 - (i) a birthday celebration,
 - (ii) a retirement celebration,
 - (iii) a marriage celebration,
 - (iv) a wake,
 - (v) a beach picnic, or
 - (vi) a river party;
 - (b) does not include a chartered day-time boat excursion.

Expiry

3. This Order expires on the 30th day of June, 2021.

Made this 28th day of May, 2021.

MARY ISAAC, Minister responsible for health.

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COVID-19 (Prevention and Control) (Testing and Quarantine) Regulations

SAINT LUCIA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT, 2021, No. 86C

[28th May, 2021]

In exercise of the power conferred under section 65 of the COVID-19 (Prevention and Control) Act, No. 9 of 2020, the Minister responsible for health, makes these Regulations:

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the COVID-19 (Prevention and Control) (Testing and Quarantine) Regulations, 2021.

Interpretation

- **2.** In these Regulations
 - "Act" means the COVID-19 (Prevention and Control)
 Act, No. 9 of 2020;
 - "fully vaccinated" means that two weeks have passed since a person received —
 - (a) a single-dose vaccine, such as, Johnson & Johnson;
 - (b) the second dose in a two-dose series of Astrazeneca, Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna; or
 - (c) another COVID-19 vaccine approved by the Minister on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer.

Testing and quarantine

- **3.**—(1) Without limiting section 38 of the Act and subject to subregulation (2), the Chief Medical Officer may not place a national, resident or non-national arriving in Saint Lucia in quarantine at a quarantine facility or at his or her home, if he or she
 - (a) has a negative result for his or her polymerase chain reaction test; and
 - (b) is fully vaccinated.

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(2) The Chief Medical Officer is not prevented from placing a person under subregulation (1) in quarantine at a quarantine facility or at his or her home in order to protect the health of the person or for public health.

Expiry

4. These Regulations expire on the 30th day of June, 2021.

Made this 28th day of May, 2021.

MARY ISAAC, Minister responsible for health.

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