

DECREE that establishes extraordinary actions to deal with the sanitary emergency caused by SARS-CoV2 virus.

**ARTICLE FIRST.** All public, social and private sectors must implement the following measures, as an extraordinary action, to deal with the sanitary emergency caused by SARS-CoV2 virus.

- I. From March 30<sup>th</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup> 2020, the immediate suspension of non-essential activities in the public, private and social sectors is ordered to mitigate the spread and transmission of the SARS-CoV-2 virus in the community, to reduce the burden of disease, the complications and deaths caused by COVID-19 in the population living in the national territory.
- II. Only the following essential activities will be able to continue operating:
  - a) Those that are necessary to attend the health emergency, such as the work activities of the medical, paramedical, administrative and support branches throughout the public and private health sectors. As well as those which participate in its services and supply chain; such as the pharmaceutical sector, both in its production and distribution (pharmacies); the manufacture of supplies, medical equipment and technologies for health care, as well as those involved in the adequate disposal of biological-infectious hazardous waste (RPBI), as well as the cleaning and sanitization of medical units at different levels of attention.
  - b) Those involved in public safety and citizen protection; in the defence of territorial integrity and national sovereignty; law enforcement, as well as legislative activity at federal and state levels.
  - c) Essential sectors for the proper functioning of the economy: financial, tax collection, distribution and sale of energy, fuel and gas stations, generation and distribution of drinking water, food and non-alcoholic beverages industry, food markets, supermarkets, self-service stores, groceries and the sale of prepared foods; passenger and cargo transportation services; agricultural and livestock production, agro-industry, chemical industry, cleaning products; hardware stores, courier services, guards in private security tasks; nurseries and children's home, nursing homes for the elderly, refugees and centers for the attention of women victims of violence and their sons and daughters; telecommunications and the media, private emergency services, funeral and burial services, storage and cold-chain of essential supplies, logistics (airports, ports and railways), as well as activities whose suspension may have irreversible effects for its continuation.
  - d) The operation of government's social programs;
  - e) The conservation and maintenance of critical infrastructure that ensures the production and distribution of essential services such as: drinking water, electricity, gas, oil, gasoline, jet fuel, basic sanitation, public transportation,

first-class hospital and medical infrastructure, among others that could be defined under this category.

- III. In all the sectors and activities defined as essential, the following actions must be applied:
  - a) no meetings or congregations of more than 50 people are allowed;
  - b) frequent hand washing;
  - c) sneezing or coughing into tissues or elbow;
  - d) distant greeting (do not greet kiss, no shaking hands or hugs), and
  - e) all other health and social distance measures issued and implemented by the federal Secretariat of Health (SS).
- IV. The entire population living in the Mexican territory is exhorted, including every person who arrives to the country from abroad, and that does not participate in essential work activities to comply with the co-responsible stay at home directives from March 30<sup>th</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The **co-responsible stay at home directives** is understood as the voluntary limitation of mobility, to stay home as much as possible.
- V. The **co-responsible stay at home directives** are strictly applied to any person over 60 years of age or with a diagnosis of hypertension, diabetes, heart or lung disease, immunosuppression (acquired or provoked), in a state of pregnancy or post—partum, regardless of whether their work activity is considered essential. The public interest's essential personnel may voluntarily report to work.
- VI. Once the suspension of non-essential activities has ended and the **co-responsible stay at home directives** have been cancelled, the Secretariat of Health (SS), in agreement with the Secretariat of Economy (SE) and the Secretariat of Labor (STPS), will issue guidelines for a phased and regionalized return to work, economic and social activities of the entire population in Mexico.
- VII. All electoral processes, censuses and surveys to be carried out in the national territory, which involve the mobilization of people and physical (face-to-face) interaction between them, should be postponed until further notice.
- VIII. All measures must be applied with strict respect and adherence to human rights.



**ARTICLE SECOND.-** , In order to attend to the sanitary emergency generated by the virus SARS-CoV2, the modification of the integration of the General Health Council, foreseen in article 3 of the Internal Regulation of the General Health Council has been established as an extraordinary action.

For the purposes of the preceding paragraph, the following persons shall be members of the General Health Council as titular members:

- a) The Head of the Secretariat of Interior;
- b) The Head of the Secretariat of Foreign Relations;
- c) The Head of the Secretariat of National Defense;
- d) The Head of the Secretariat of the Navy;
- e) The Head of the Secretariat of Security and Citizen Protection, and
- f) The Head of the Secretariat of Labor and Social Welfare.