SUMMARY OF EXECUTIVE ORDER - 2021-026

The governor announced new Executive Order OE-2021-026 in effect from April 9, 2021 until May 9, 2021.

The following is a summary of key points in the executive order:

1. Curfew - from 10 pm to 5 am

2. Quarantine Order - any person with reasonable suspicion that they have been exposed to COVID-19, whether or not they present signs or symptoms of contagion, and with the purpose of preventing or limiting the transmission and spread of the virus, is ordered to remain in quarantine for a period of fourteen (14) days.

3. Isolation Order - any person infected by the virus is ordered to be in physical isolation for a minimum of ten (10) days from the onset of their symptoms, with the possibility of spreading according to the process of investigation of COVID-19 cases.

4. Individual Precautionary Measures - wear a mask to cover mouth and nose; maintain a minimum space of 6 feet from each other; wash your hands regularly; do not go in groups to authorized establishments; stay the least time possible in authorized places; follow any other health measures recommended by health authorities.

5. Government Operations - The agencies will continue to operate and provide services to the citizens, without unduly compromising the safety and health of public employees. Those employees who cannot report to work for any justified reason and contemplated in any state or federal law, and who cannot carry out their work through remote work, as determined by each head of the agenda, if they have available balances, they will be they will charge the absences to the corresponding license in accordance with the applicable legal provisions.

6. Private Operations - They may operate all commercial, industrial, manufacturing, construction, sales, health or medical, funeral, recreational, agricultural, agricultural, sports, horse riding, casino, cinematographic, financial, community services, consumer services, professionals, non-professionals, care centers, religious, and others that are not expressly prohibited in this Executive Order. These private operations may be carried out at the established time of 5 am to 9 pm and with a maximum capacity of fifty par one hundred (50%) of the place, in cases where the establishment is in a closed mode. The outdoor spaces may operate without the limitation of the percentage of capacity. However, at all times the physical distance of 6 feet should be maintained between people who are not from the same family unit. The agglomeration of people is prohibited at all times.

Restaurants, including fast food and "food courts", may operate during the established hours of 5 am to 9 pm with a maximum capacity of fifty percent (50%) of the place, and maintaining a physical distance of 6 feet between diners at different tables. It is recommended to limit tables to no more than 6 people per table.

Outdoor restaurants may operate without limiting the percentage of capacity, but guaranteeing physical distance, which must be 6 feet between diners at different tables.

Theaters and amphitheaters are allowed to open, but for now the coliseums and activity centers are excluded. These permitted places may operate during the established hours of 5 am to 9 pm with a maximum capacity of thirty percent (30%) of the place.

In closed format shopping centers, it is necessary to limit the occupancy of its capacity at the rate of one person for every 75 square feet in the aisle areas, which will be implemented by the management of the center. In addition, each shopping center must establish identified entrances for employees, suppliers and customers.

Online sales continue to be the most recommended and safest way to buy and should continue to be the first option, giving priority to delivery or curbside pickup or pickup.

In the service area, reservations are required by appointment. Lines are not prohibited, but business owner must ensure that all precautionary measures are complied with, including avoiding the crowding of people.

People are urged to inform authorities of places that are in breach of this Order.

It is required that there be a poster or sign that contains the number of people that make up the maximum occupation required.

7. Recreational and Sports Activities - During the hours established for private operations, sports, recreational, training and competitive activities will be allowed. Limited use of the reserves, golf courses, parks, courts, gyms and cockfight facilities will be allowed. Also, hunting, commercial fishing and recreational fishing will be allowed. Parks and gyms in residential complexes are authorized to operate.

8. Beaches, Marinas and Bodies of Water - The beaches, rivers, marinas, swimming pools and other bodies of water may be used during the hours established for private operations, without crowding of people and following the measures applicable precautionary measures. It is important that a mandatory distance of not less than 10 feet is maintained between swimmers who are not of the same household on the sand and in the water. These should mark the space around them to ensure the necessary distance. Beachgoers must have their mask on at all times while out of the water. The use of beach chairs, umbrellas and coolers is allowed between members of the same family unit. However, the consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited. The maximum capacity of the pools is 50%. The use or occupation of boats among people outside the family unit is prohibited. Likewise, it is forbidden to glue or tie several boats together.

9. Tourism - Hotels must comply with the precautionary measures imposed in this Executive Order. Owners, managers, administrators or those responsible for short-term rental properties (marketed independently or through platforms such as Airbnb, VRBO, Join a Join, among others) must make sure to prohibit the entry of people who are not duly registered as individuals staying at the property. Touristic activities, such as nautical tourism, hiking, diving, snorkeling, guided excursions, among others, will be allowed, as long as the precautionary measures imposed in this Order are complied with.

10. Schools - The opening and operation of academic schools, both public and private, will be governed by Administrative Bulletin No. OE-2021-017.

11. Head Start, Early Head Start and Child Care Centers - The controlled reopening must always guarantee the health of the children, as well as the personnel who work there.

12. Senior Care Centers, Prisons and Juvenile Institutions - Visits are resumed as long as they are safe for everyone.

13. Prohibited Activities - The opening of bars will not be allowed (licensed only for bars, cafeterias with permission to use alcoholic beverages, "sport bars" and any other similar place such as "chinchorros"). This prohibition includes bars that are within a restaurant or other commercial establishment that may open pursuant to this Order. In these places, all kinds of drinks must be dispensed, only at the tables.

The total closure of discos, game rooms, activity rooms, public and private, or any similar place or event that encourages the meeting of a group of citizens in the same place is ordered.

All mass activities are unauthorized, both in open and closed spaces, such as parades, processions, fairs, patron saint festivals, festivals and similar activities that tend to the agglomeration of people, and that promote exchange with multiple strangers and without any control.

Elective surgeries that require post-intensive care units continue to be limited to those that are urgent according to medical criteria.

The use of play areas in shopping centers or similar businesses is prohibited. Likewise, valet parking is prohibited when it is an optional service.

The use of "party bus" or the realization of rolling parties for any event during the validity of this Order will not be allowed.

14. Authorizations - Proposals for the consideration of social activities such as weddings, birthdays, fifteen-year-olds, baby showers, gender reveals, graduations, ring ceremonies, awards ceremonies, corporate activities, assemblies and other activities not expressly permitted in this Order may be submitted to the Government Secretary for its approval and authorization.

15. People and Services excluded from the curfew -

People who provide assistance, care, food, transportation for senior citizens, minors, dependents, people with disabilities or especially vulnerable people who require some type of medical or professional care,

Persons duly identified as employees of public or private security agencies, at the state and federal level;

Health professionals, including mental health professionals, personnel who work in hospitals, pharmacies, bioscience facilities or health centers;

Personnel who are working in the chain of distribution of goods and food, including those necessary for agricultural activity such as agro-centers;

Personnel who are working with utilities or critical infrastructure;

Call centers and sensitive data centers personnel;

Ports and airport personnel;

Members of the press;

Locksmith and roadside assistance companies;

Companies of delivery and shipment of packages or merchandise;

Gas stations and their distribution chain, but they will not be able to sell alcoholic beverages after 9 pm;

Garbage collection (private or public) and recycling services;

Services related to any federal agenda, including the Federal and Department of Defense (DOD);

Logistics and transportation: customs brokers, sea or land cargo consolidation services, warehousing and distribution services to third parties;

People who are attending emergency or health situations;

Priests, pastors, reverends, bishops, imams, rabbis, chaplains or any main leader of any religious entity in order to attend, within their ministerial responsibilities, an emergency or crisis situation;

Officials and public servants of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Branches;

Legal representatives while they are attending judicial and legal matters;

People who have Autism Spectrum Disorder

Researchers from the laboratories of university institutions and other administrative personnel,

Specialized professionals, researchers and their general staff and suppliers of museums, libraries, institutions and foundations that house public and private cultural collections, and

Any person who provides services to businesses and the service sector that can operate after closing hours, while performing said functions.