TRANSLATION (excerpt)

Twelfth Corona Control Ordinance Rhineland-Palatinate (12th CoBeLVO) of 30 October 2020

Based on § 32 sentence 1 in connection with § 28 para. 1 sentence 1 and 2, § 29, and § 30 para. 1 sentence 2 of the Infection Prevention and Control Act (...) in conjunction with § 1 No. 1 of the State Ordinance on the Implementation of the Infection Prevention and Control Act (...) it is decreed:

Part 1 General Protective Measures

§ 1

- (1) Each person is encouraged to reduce to a minimum closer and longer contacts to other persons and to keep the circle of persons to whom closer or longer contacts as constant as possible. Where possible, assemblies should preferably be held outdoors. Persons with symptoms of a respiratory infection (in particular cough, cold symptoms, fever) should stay at home if possible, they are generally to be denied access to facilities, events, and gatherings.
- (2) The stay in public space is subject to the provisions of sentence 3, only permitted with a minimum distance of 1.5 meters between persons (**distance requirement**). Sentences 1 also applies if a mouth-nose cover is worn. Sentence 1 does not apply to:
- 1. assemblies of persons of the same household or a maximum of ten persons belonging to two households
- 2. contacts for business, professional or official reasons, in which persons must work in close direct contact, including the necessary management of agricultural and forestry land, as well as for reasons relevant to examinations or care
- 3. contacts at offices and institutions carrying out public tasks and at which persons shortly have to meet, *e.g.*, use of public transportation as well as voluntary work to provide for the population.
- (3) Insofar as this Ordinance stipulates a mask requirement, a mouth-nose covering shall be worn (mask requirement).
- (4) The distance requirement and the mask requirement do not apply to
- 1. children up to the age of six are exempt.
- 2. persons for whom wearing a cover over mouth and nose is impossible or unreasonable due to a disability or for health-related reasons; this has to be verified by a medical certificate.
- 3. communication with persons with hearing impairments or for identification purposes as long as it is necessary,

- 4. employees of the facilities, if other appropriate protective measures are taken or as long as there is no contact to customers or visitors.
- (5) Where in public or commercial facilities or in the immediate vicinity of such facilities an accumulation of persons can be expected, the proprietor of the facility or the organizer of a meeting, gathering, or other get-together shall take measures to comply with the distance requirement, in particular to control access, for example, by affixing clearly visible distance markings at a distance of at least 1.5 meters.
- (6) In public or commercial facilities special hygiene measures should be provided, such as the provision of disinfectants, increased cleaning intervals, separating devices and similar measures.
- (7) Insofar as this Ordinance requires a limitation of persons, the number of persons present at the same time shall be limited to 1 person per 10 sqm of sales or visitor area (**limitation of persons**).
- (8) The proprietor of the facility or the initiator of an assembly or other gathering has to ensure contact traceability, where expressly required in this Ordinance. If contact details are provided to the person obliged to collect data, they must be truthful and allow for contact tracking (contact recording). Contact details, ensuring accessibility of the person (name, first name, address, telephone number) as well as the date and time of the person's presence, have to be recorded in compliance with data protection law. The person obligated to collect the data has to verify that the provided contact details are complete and whether they contain obviously incorrect information (plausibility check). Persons who refuse to provide their contact details or who provide obviously incorrect or incomplete information shall be excluded from visiting or using the facility or participating in an assembly or get-together by the proprietor of the facility or the initiator of an assembly or other gathering. The person obligated to collect the data has to store it for a period of one month; after the retention period has expired, the data has to be deleted immediately. Data retention obligations resulting from other laws remain unaffected. The competent public health authority can demand information about the guests' contact details, insofar as it is necessary to fulfil its duties under the provisions of the Infection Prevention and Control Act (IfSG) and its tasks under this Ordinance; the data has to be released immediately. Processing of the data for other purposes is not allowed. Data transmitted to the competent public health authority have to be irreversibly deleted by the latter immediately as soon as the data is no longer required for fulfillment of its tasks.
- (9) The hygiene concepts published on the website of the State government (<u>www.corona.rlp.de</u>) have to be observed as amended. If no hygiene concepts for individual facilities or measures are published on the website of the State government or the departmental ministries, hygiene concepts of comparable facilities or life conditions shall apply accordingly.
- (10) Exemptions from the provisions of paragraphs 2 to 8 may, in justified individual cases, be granted, upon request and subject to conditions by the competent district administration, in district-free cities by the city administration as a district regulatory authority, insofar as the level of protection is comparable, this is justifiable from an epidemiological point of view, in

particular taking into account the current infections, and the purpose of this ordinance is not affected.

Part 2 Assemblies, events and accumulation of persons

§ 2

- (1) Subject to conditions, in particular the distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 sentence 1 as well as the mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3, gatherings in open air may be permitted by the competent authority under the Assembly Act, provided that this is justifiable in individual cases from an epidemiological point of view.
- (2) The accumulation of persons intended to serve the maintenance of public security and order, the administration of justice (including Notars and law firms), the preparation and conduct of public elections, in particular constituency conferences and representative assemblies, the holding of blood donation appointments, the conduct of examinations at higher education institutions and the conduct of competitions for restricted courses of study, in particular study aptitude tests, or the provision of services of essential supply are permitted taking into account the general protective measures pursuant to § 1. In case of accumulations for the administration of justice, a mouth-nose covering is to be worn in general when in contact with other persons.
- (3) At accumulations of persons, the following persons may participate as mourners at funerals:
- 1. the deceased's spouse, civil partner or companion, fiancée or fiancée
- 2. persons who are related to the deceased in the first or second degrees as well as their spouses, or civil partners, and
- 3. persons of one other household.

In addition to the group of persons referred to in sentence 1, other persons may also participate if compliance with the limitation of persons pursuant to § 1 para. 7 is ensured. The mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3 shall apply.

- (4) In addition to the persons to be wed, the registrar, other persons required for the marriage and two marriage witnesses, he following persons may participate at civil weddings:
- 1. persons who are related to the newlyweds in the first or second degrees as well as their spouses, or civil partners, and
- 2. persons of one other household.

In addition to the group of persons referred to in sentence 1, other persons may also participate if compliance with the limitation of persons pursuant to § 1 para. 7 is ensured. All persons present, with the exception of the persons to be wed, are subject to the mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3.

- (5) Any further assembly of persons or events in public spaces or in rented or made available rooms is prohibited subject to the right of self-organization of the Landtag and the local authorities.
- (6) Exceptions to the provisions of paragraphs 1 to 5 may upon request and on a justified case-by-case basis be granted by the competent county administration, in district-free cities by the city administration as a district regulatory authority, insofar as the level of protection is comparable, this is justifiable from an epidemiological point of view, in particular taking into account the current infections, and the purpose of this ordinance is not affected.

Part 3 Worship

§ 3

- (1) Church services by religious communities or congregations of faith, or meetings that are required for self-organization or legislation are permitted subject to general protective measure, in particular adherence to the distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 sentence 1. If, due to the type of activity, an increased aerosol output is to be expected (e.g. in the case of community singing or choral singing), these activities should, if possible, take place outdoors; the distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 sent. 1 applies with the proviso that the minimum distance between persons shall be doubled.
- (2) The religious communities or congregations of faith ensure that chains of infection can be traced quickly and completely for a period of one month. They are obliged to cooperate with the competent public health authority with regard to contact tracking in the event of infections.
- (3) In enclosed rooms the mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3 applies to participants. Excluded are clergypersons as well as lecturers, prayer leaders, cantors and pre-singers subject to additional safety measures, specified in the infection protection concepts of the religious or faith communities. The mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3 is dispensed at the participant's place.
- (4) The religious communities or congregations of faith or their umbrella organizations create infection protection concepts, which regulate the details of protective measures, in particular ensuring contact tracking, and submit them to the competent public health authority upon request.

Part 4 Economy

§ 4 Prohibition of opening or carry out

It is prohibited to open or to carry out

- 1. clubs, discotheques, and similar facilities.
- 2. Fairgrounds, fairs and similar facilities,
- 3. prostitution trade within the meaning of § 2 para. 3 of the Prostitute Protection Act (ProstSchG) of 21 October 2016 (Federal Law Gazette Part I p. 2372) as amended.

§ 5 Conditions for opening up of public or commercial establishments

Opening of public or commercial facilities is permitted subject to observance of general protective measures, unless this Ordinance specifies otherwise. In enclosed rooms as well as outdoors the distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 sentence 1, the mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3, and the limitation on persons pursuant to § 1 para. 7 apply. The limitation on persons pursuant to § 1 para. 7 does not apply on stands at weekly markets.

§ 6 Service Providers and Craftsmen Enterprises

- (1) Service providers and craftsmen enterprises are permitted to pursue their activities subject to compliance with the general protective measures. The distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 sentence 1 as well as the mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3 have to be observed.
- (2) If the distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 sentence 1 cannot be observed due to the nature of service, like in cosmetic studios, wellness massage practices, tattoo or piercing studios and similar facilities, the activity is prohibited. Services for hygienic or medical reasons are permitted, such as in hair salons, barber shops, foot care facilities, podology, physiotherapy, occupational and logo therapies or the like. In any event, the mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3 applies, if the nature of the service permits. Additionally, the obligation to record contacts pursuant to § 1 para. 8 sentence 1 shall apply.
- (3) All health care services as well as medical treatments are allowed. Health care facilities remain open under observance of the necessary hygiene and safety measures. In waiting situations together with other persons the mask obligation pursuant to § 1 para. 3 shall apply.

§ 7 Catering trade

- (1) Closed are catering facilities, particularly
- 1. restaurants, eateries, bars, pubs, cafes, hookah bars, and similar facilities,
- 2. ice cream parlors, ice cream cafes and similar establishment,
- 3. Vinotheques, tasting rooms and similar facilities,
- 4. Offers of day trips on excursion boats, including the gastronomic offer, and similar facilities.

Pick-up, delivery and drop-off services as well as street sales and outlet/producer sales are permitted. The general protective measures, particularly the distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 sentence 1 and the mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3 apply.

(2) Canteens and refectories which exclusively supply the facility concerned are open subject to observing the general protective measures. The mask obligation pursuant to § 1 para. 3 is only waived at the seat.

§ 8 Hotel industry, accommodation establishments

- (1) Closed are accommodation establishments, particularly
- 1. hotels, hotel garni, guesthouses, inns, and similar facilities
- 2. holiday homes, holiday apartments, private quarters, and similar facilities
- 3. hostels, recreation, holiday and training homes, holiday centers, and similar facilities
- 4. campsites, motorhome pitches, caravan parks and similar facilities.

If necessary, they may only open to non-tourist travel, in compliance with general protective measures.

- (2) The obligation to record contacts pursuant to § 1 para. 8 sentence 1 applies to the contact details of all guests. The obligation to retain pursuant to § 30 para. 4 of the Federal Registration Act remains unaffected.
- (3) In all publically accessible areas of the facility the distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 sentence 1 as well as indoors the mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3 sentence 1 apply. By access control the person who runs the facility has to prevent the accumulation of persons in publically accessible areas of the facility or areas reserved for guests that are used by a majority of persons.
- (4) § 7 para. 2 applies mutatis mutandis to the gastronomic offers for the supply of business travelers in the facility. The other provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to the provision of services, leisure, sports, and wellness activities.

§ 9 Use of means of transport, school transport.

(1) General protective measure, in particular the mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3 sentence 1, shall apply when using local and long-distance public transport and commercial passenger traffic at airports and associated facilities like for example staying at stops, on platforms or at air traveler check-ins. Sentence1 also applies to exempted student transport and other passenger transport in accordance with the Exemption Ordinance of 30 August 1962 as amended as well as to taxi and rental car services. Ticket sales by the driver are only possible if there are separating divider in the vehicles. The sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages on public transportation is prohibited.

- (2) Transport of students in accordance with § 69 of the School Act (SchulG) or § 33 of the Private School Act (PrivSchG) shall not be refused on the ground that these do not wear a cover over mouth and nose.
- (3) The operation of cable cars, chairlifts and similar facilities can be carried out in compliance with protective measures in accordance with paragraph 1.
- (4) The performance of coach trips, boat trips or similar offers is prohibited.

Part 5 Sports and Leisure Time

§ 10 Sports

- (1) Training and competition in amateur and leisure sports in team sports and in contact sports are prohibited. On and in all public and private sport complexes sporting activities in individual sports in amateur and leisure sports is only permitted outdoors and only alone, in pairs or with persons belonging to the same household. In addition, the distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 applies throughout the entire sporting activity. Spectators are not allowed; except for first or second degree relatives at sporting activities of minors.
- (2) Swimming pools and fun pools, saunas, thermal baths, gyms and similar facilities are closed.
- (3) Training and competition in professional sports shall only take place without spectators, taking into account strict hygiene concepts.
- (4) Teams of the 1st and 2nd Soccer League as well as the 3rd Men's League are permitted to carry out training, competitions and matches notwithstanding the other provisions of this Ordinance. This only applies if the organizational, medical and hygienic requirements of the concept for training and match operation drawn up by the Task Force "Sports Medicine/ Special Game Operations in Professional Soccer" of DFL Deutsche Fußballliga GmbH, as amended, are implemented. Spectators shall not be allowed.
- (5) The operation of public and private sports facilities for training purposes of top-class and professional sport shall be permitted. Top-level and professional sport within the meaning of sentence 1 applies to:
- 1. Olympic and Paralympic national squad athletes (Olympic squads, perspective squads, junior squads 1 and 3), who train at federal bases, recognized state training centers and state bases,
- 2. professional teams of the 1st and 2nd national leagues of all sports,
- 3. economically independent, non-club-bound or non-associated professional athletes without federal squad status as well as
- 4. other athletes, participating at European and World Championships

In order to reduce the transmission risk of the coronavirus SARS-Cov-2, it is imperative to note that

- 1. training sessions may only take place without spectators;
- 2. very strict hygiene requirements are observed and kept, in particular with regard to disinfection of wet rooms, used sports and training equipment;
- 4. contacts outside of training times are kept to a minimum; compliance with a minimum distance of at least 1.5 meters between persons must be ensured; if premises do not allow compliance with this minimum distance, they must be entered and exited at staggered intervals.

§ 11 Leisure Time

- (1) Closed are:
- 1. trade fairs, special markets, and similar facilities
- 2. amusement parks and similar facilities
- 3. zoological gardens, zoos, botanical gardens, and similar facilities
- 4. gambling hall, casinos, bet agencies and similar facilities.

Notwithstanding sentence 2 No. 4, betting agencies can be entered for a short period of time for placing bets; the operator shall take appropriate measures to ensure that there is no further lingering beyond.

(2) On playgrounds, the distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 sentence 1 has to be observed if possible. The mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3 applies to any adults present.

Part 6 Education and Culture

§ 12 Schools, State study seminars for teaching posts

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§ 13 Child day care facilities

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§ 14

Universities, extracurricular education, training and further education

- (1) When conducting research activities and teachings at colleges, universities, and publicly funded non-university research institutions the general protective measures shall be observed. The universities have to develop hygiene concepts for their institutions. In particular apply the distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 sentence 1, the mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3, and the obligation to record contacts pursuant to § 1 para. 8 sentence 1.
- (2) Educational programs offered in public or private institutions outside the general and vocational schools are permitted in compliance with the general protective measures. In particular, the distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 sentence 1, the mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3 and the obligation to record contacts pursuant to § 1 para. 8 sentence 1 apply. § 10 applies accordingly to sports and exercise activities in public and private facilities outside general and vocational schools. For music schools and music offerings in public and private institutions outside the general and vocational schools, § 15 applies mutatis mutandis.
- (3) Paragraph 2 also applies to appropriate educational opportunities for individuals and to measures taken by service providers to provide employment integration benefits in accordance with Title Two of the Social Code or measures of active employment promotion according to Title Three of the Social Code, in addition to labor market policy projects, supported by national funds or funds of European Social Fund.
- (4) Practical training courses offered by driving schools and training providers for professional driver qualifications are exempt from the distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 sentence 1 insofar as it cannot be complied with. During practical driving lessons and the driving test itself the mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3 applies to all persons staying together in the vehicle. At theoretical courses and the theoretical test the mask requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 3 applies. Sentences 1 to 3 also apply to the training and further education of officially certified experts or examiners for the motor vehicle traffic or their auditing as well as flight schools.
- (5) Offers of youth work and youth social work are permitted, subject to compliance with the corresponding hygiene concept for facilities and offers of youth work and youth social work, which are published on the website of the State Government (www.corona.rlp.de).

§ 15 Culture

- (1) Closed are public and commercial cultural institutions, in particular
- 1. cinemas, theaters, concert halls, cabarets, museums, and similar facilities
- 2. circuses and similar facilities.
- (2) Musical rehearsal and performance of the grassroots and amateur culture is prohibited. Extracurricular music lessons are permitted subject to compliance with the hygiene concept music, which is published on the website of the State Government (www.corona.rlp.de).
- (3) The rehearsal and performance of professional cultural offers is permitted, subject to compliance with the general protective measures. The distance requirement pursuant to § 1 para. 2 sentence 1 between the participating persons can be reduced during the rehearsal; this does not

apply to the rehearsal of choirs, vocals, wind orchestras, trombone choirs and other ensembles with wind instruments. Activities that lead to increased aerosol emissions should, where possible, take place outdoors.

Part 7 Hospitals and similar Institutions

§ 16 Visiting and access arrangements for special institutions

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§ 17 Hospitals

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§ 18 Registration

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Part 8 **Quarantine Measures for Arrivals and Returnees and Group-related Measures**

§ 19 Entry from Risk Areas

- (1) Persons entering Rheinland-Pfalz by land, sea, or air who have been in a risk area referred to in paragraph 4 at any time within 14 days of entry, are, after entry, required to resort to their own domicile or another suitable dwelling without delay and by direct route and to stay continuously isolated there for 14 days after entry. Sentence 1 also applies to persons who entered another state of the Federal Republic of Germany at first. The persons mentioned in the sentences 1 and 2 are not permitted to have encounters with other persons who do not belong to their household during the period stated in sentence 1. An accommodation is suitable for isolation purposes if a spatial separation ensures that there is no contact with persons who do not belong to the own household.
- (2) Persons who have entered in accordance with para 1, sentence 1 and 2 from a risk area, are required to contact the Public Health Office responsible for them and alert them that the requirement pursuant to para 1 exists. Furthermore, they are required to notify the responsible Public Health Office immediately if symptoms occur, indicating an infection with the coronavirus SARSCoV-2 in accordance with the current criteria of the Robert Koch Institute.

- (3) During the isolation period the persons referred to in para 1, sentence 1 and 2, shall be subject to surveillance by the responsible Public Health Office.
- (4) A risk area within the meaning of paragraph 1 sentence 1 is a state or region outside the Federal Republic of Germany for which there is an increased risk of infection with the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 at the time of entry into the Land of Rhineland-Palatinate. Classification as a risk area is carried out by the Federal Ministry of Health, the Foreign Office and the Federal Ministry of the Interior, for Construction and Homeland and is published by the Robert Koch Institute.
- (5) Persons who are newly admitted to a reception center for asylum seekers in the country or readmitted after a prolonged absence, are obliged to move to an assigned accommodation and to isolate there permanently for a period of 14 days. Under § 47 of the Asylum Act, persons obliged to reside in such a reception center are obliged to inform the institution of the reception center immediately if symptoms occur, indicating an infection with the coronavirus SARSCoV-2 in accordance with the current criteria of the Robert Koch Institute, to move to assigned, suitable accommodation and to stay continuously isolated there until the presentation of a test result about a possible infection with the coronavirus SARSCoV-2. The host facility shall inform the competent Public Health Office of this matter without delay. The reception center may at any time assign new accommodation areas to the persons concerned and may allow exceptions from the requirements under sentences 1 and 2.
- (6) Persons who are newly admitted to a reception center for asylum seekers in the country or readmitted after a prolonged absence shall immediately after admission at the request of the competent Public Health Office or the reception institution present a medical certificate in accordance with sentences 2 and 3 that they have no evidence of the presence of an infection with the Coronavirus SARS CoV 2. The medical certificate must be in writing in German or the English language and based on a molecular biological test for presence of an infection with the SARS CoV-2 coronavirus, carried out in a Member State of the European Union or in another State, published by the Robert Koch Institute on its website https://www.rki.de/covid-19-tests. Molecular biological testing shall not have been carried out more than 48 hours prior to admission to the reception facility. If such a certificate is not presented, the named persons are obliged to tolerate the medical examination for the presence of an infection with the coronavirus SARS CoV-2. This includes a molecular biological test for the presence of an infection with the coronavirus SARS CoV-2, including a smear for the extraction of the sample material.
- (7) The regulations in the Ordinance on Compulsory Testing of Persons Entering from Risk Areas of 6 August 2020 (BAnz. AT 07.08.2020 V1) and the Orders of the Federal Ministry of Health concerning travel after the German Bundestag determined an epidemic situation of national consequences of 6 August 2020 (BAnz AT 07.08.2020 B5) remain unaffected.

- (1) § 19 does not apply to persons who enter the area of application of this Ordinance only for transit; these persons must leave the area of application of this Ordinance directly. The required passage through the area covered by this ordinance is hereby permitted.
- (2) The obligation to isolate pursuant to § 19 para, 1 does not exist for persons with a medical certificate in German, English or French, which confirms that there is no indication of infection with the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 and upon request submits it to the competent authority without delay. The medical certificate referred to in sentence 1 shall be based on a molecular biological test on the presence of an infection with the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 carried out in a Member State of the European Union or any other State published by the Robert Koch Institute and not exceed 48 hours before entry in the jurisdictional zone of this ordinance. Decisive for the 48-hour period is the date on which the test result is determined. The medical certificate referred to in sentence 1 shall be kept for at least 14 days after entry.
- (3) Furthermore, § 19 does not apply to persons who, for the purpose of taking up work for several weeks, enter the territory of the State of Rhineland-Palatinate from a risk area pursuant to § 19 para. 4, provided that special occupational hygiene measures and contact prevention arrangements are taken outside the working group at the place of their accommodation and activity during the first 14 days after their entry, which are comparable to isolation pursuant to § 19 para. 1, and the abandonment of accommodation is only permitted for the performance of their activity. The right of the competent authority to order further measures, in particular in justified cases a permanent isolation, shall remain unaffected. The employer shall indicate the commencement of work to the competent authority before it begins and shall document the measures taken in accordance with sentence 1. The competent authority shall verify compliance.

(4) § 19 does not apply to persons:

- 1. who, in the course of their work as employees of air, ship, rail or bus companies or as crew members of aircrafts, ships, trains and buses, have stayed in an area pursuant to § 19 para. 4,
- 2. who enter the Land of Rhineland-Palatinate for professional or medical reasons daily or up to 5 days,
- 3. whose work is absolutely necessary for the maintenance of diplomatic relations or the functioning of parliament, government and the administration of the Federation, the States and the Municipalities, as well as the European Union and international organizations; the mandatory necessity shall be verified and certified by the employer,
- 4. who stayed in an area pursuant to § 19 para. 4 for less than 72 hours or whose stay in Rhineland-Palatinate lasts less than 24 hours or who have another valid reason for traveling; this includes specifically social aspects such as shared custody, visiting the life partner not living under the same roof, urgent medical treatment or assistance or care for persons in need of protection as well as reasons related to training or studies.
- (5) In justified cases, exemptions may be granted where this is reasonable, taking into account all concerned interests.

(6) Paragraphs 1 through 5 only apply insofar as the persons named therein do not show any symptoms indicating an infection of the SSARS-Cov-2 coronavirus within the meaning of the current criteria issued by the Robert-Koch-Institute. If symptoms occur within 14 days of entry under the scope of this ordinance indicating an infection with the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 within the meaning of the relevant criteria of the Robert Koch Institute, persons referred to in paragraphs 2 and 5 shall immediately inform the competent authority thereof.

§ 21 Group-related Measures

In the case of special group-related work and accommodation situations, in particular seasonal workers who work and live in groups or who travel for the purpose of taking up an activity in a group, the employer has to notify the competent authority before work commences. The employer shall take and document special occupational hygiene measures and arrangements for contact avoidance outside the working group based on the relevant technical standards, in particular in accordance with the competent professional association. The competent authority shall verify compliance. Rooms shall only be occupied with a maximum of half the usual occupancy capacity; this restriction does not apply to families.

Part 9 General Decrees

§ 22

General Orders of the county administrations, in district-free cities of the city administration as county regulatory authorities for the control of the Coronavirus SARS-VoV2 in accordance with the Infection Prevention and Control Act are to be issued in agreement with the competent Ministry for Public Health. Insofar as this Ordinance contains more specific protective measures than general orders pursuant to sentence one, those general orders shall be replaced and repealed by this Ordinance.

Part 10 Administrative Fines, Entering into Force, Expiration

§ 23 Administrative offences

An administrative offence within the meaning of § 73 para. 1 (a) No. 24 of the Infection Prevention and Control Act is committed by anyone who intentionally or negligently

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§ 74 IfSG [Infection Prevention and Control Act] remains unaffected.

§ 24 Entry into force, expiration

- (1) This Decree shall enter into force on 02 November 2020 and shall expire at the end of 30 November 2020.
- (2) The Eleventh Corona Control Ordinance Rhineland-Palatinate of 11 September 2020 (...), as amended latest by the decree, dated 09 October 2020, shall expire at the end of 1 November 2020.

Done at Mainz on 30 October 2020

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The Minister for Social Affairs, Labor, Health and Demography