

**Afkondigingsblad
van Sint Eustatius**

Jaargang: 2021

Nummer: 20

Uitgifte: 31.12.2021



Decree of the government-commissioner of December 31st. 2021 no. 1 regarding the scale up to level 5 to combat the spread of Covid 19 on St. Eustatius.

The Government Commissioner of St Eustatius, in accordance with article 6 of the law Recovery Provisions St Eustatius;

Having regard to section 179 of the Act Public Entities Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba (Wet Publieke Gezondheid BES), and the Public Health Act (Wet Publieke Gezondheid) and the Tijdelijke wet Maartegelen Covid 19 (TWM) and the Tijdelijke Regeling Maatregelen covid-19 St. Eustatius.

Decides to scale up to level 5 to combat the spread of Covid 19 on St. Eustatius:

Upscaling to level 5 means that ALL permits granted for hosting of ALL events are forfeited as events are the breathing ground for the further spread of Covid-19 virus.

Essential services/businesses

- **Hotels are permitted to serve their in-house guests drinks and meals.**
- **Hotels with a restaurant are permitted to provide take out service for the community. Wearing of the mask and physical distancing are strongly recommended.**
- **Bar & Restaurants will be closed for indoor dining; take out service is permitted.**
- **The public will be notified of the protocol for Government Offices as of Monday January 3rd, 2022.**
- **The Pharmacy is an essential service and is permitted to remain open during the 14-day period. The Pharmacy already has a strict protocol in place.**

- Supermarkets are considered an essential business and are permitted to remain open with strict protocols in place, including limiting entry for the number of customers at one time.
- Persons who may require medical attention are advised to FIRST contact the QBMC on Tel: 318-2211 OR 318-2371 for instructions. PLEASE CALL FIRST SO THAT THE TELEPHONE TRIAGE CAN BE DONE.

The St. Eustatius Auxiliary Home has announced a total visitor stop. Family members can continue to contact their loved ones via WhatsApp 319-1241 or call the nurses' station via phone number Tel: 318- 2981

- large supermarkets maximum 10 persons at a time and small grocery stores maximum 5 persons at a time
- Bakeries are an essential business and are also permitted to remain open with a maximum of ten (10) customers each time and must have a strict protocol.
- Barbershops and Beauty Salons are not permitted to operate as these are close contact professions.
- Day-care Centers and out-of-school programs are permitted to operate adhering to strict protocols. The Public Health Department will give guidance to these organizations.
- Schools currently on holiday break are scheduled to re-open on January 10th. Further details will follow on the re-opening of schools.

Non-essential services/businesses

- All sports activities, including the gym, are on hold until further notice.
- Churches are requested to arrange online services.
- The casino is considered a nonessential service and is not permitted to operate until further notice.

The community is strongly advised to minimize contacts in large family settings. Please limit family gatherings of different households. When family gatherings of the same household are held these should be held preferably outdoors. Social distancing and wearing the mask are strongly recommended when the family plans to come together.

Regular Vaccination and Booster Campaign:

As of Monday January 3rd, until Friday January 7th, 2022, regular vaccination and booster campaign will continue. Further testing will also take place on mentioned dates. The Public Health department will announce details in the coming days.

Sint Eustatius, 31st of December 2021

Government Commissioner Sint Eustatius, Island Secretary,

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