

**Afkondigingsblad  
van Sint Eustatius**

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**Decree of the government-commissioner of February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 no. 1071/GEZ regarding the down scale to level 3 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 Maatregelen Covid 19 (TWM) and the Tijdelijke Regeling Maatregelen covid-19 St. Eustatius.**

**Article 1 Restaurants, Bars and Hotels**

Restaurants and Bars may provide for on-site use of food and beverage for twenty five (25) persons (or 50%) of the seating capacity, with 1.5 meters between the tables in mind, without dancing activities. This also applies to establishments in hotels where food or drinks are sold for hotel guests, without dancing activities.

**Article 2 Essential services/businesses**

1. The Pharmacy is permitted to remain open during the fourteen (14) days period.
2. Large supermarkets maximum 10 persons at a time and small grocery stores maximum five (5) persons at a time.
3. 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.
4. Bakeries are permitted to remain open with a maximum of ten (10) customers each time and must have a strict protocol.

**Article 3 Non-essential services/businesses**

1. The casino can open again to a maximum of twenty five (25) or fifty (50%) percent of the capacity, customers at the same time, adhering to the 1.5 meters social distance between those present..
2. For outdoor gathering a group to a maximum of twenty five (25) (or 50% capacity) persons is allowed
3. For indoor sports:
  - Maximum of twenty five (25) (or 50% capacity) persons in the main hall of the sport hall at the same time.
  - Other indoor locations a maximum of twenty five (25) (or 50% capacity) persons while maintaining social distance.
  - Proper ventilation needs to be in place, no air-conditioning)

4. Church services are allowed with a maximum twenty five (or 50 % capacity) of the regular seating capacity.
  - Use of face masks as long as you are not seated.
  - Protocols need to be in place for assuring social distance during arrival and departure.
5. Establishments where contact professions aimed at external care are practiced staff should be provided with adequate mouth and nose coverings and gloves as far as possible;  
Only customers on an appointment base are allowed with a maximum of one (1) customer per employee.

#### **Article 4 Re-opening of Educational institutions (Schools)**

1. Educational activities in education institutions can be resumed as of January 17th, 2022, with the restriction of an maximum of twenty five (25) children in a class, or can choose to implement distance learning.
2. Schools need to have a protocol in place entailing:
  - How to assure social distancing;
  - How to work with face masks;
  - How to deal with children with symptoms.
  - Schools need to have a point of contact for the public health to align the protocol (s).
  - No use of air condition, but only proper ventilation.
  - Regular self-test for teachers and children on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
  - Free tests will be provided by the Ministry of Onderwijs Cultuur en Wetenschap (OCW).
  - Children will be tested by the parents at home.

#### **Article 5 Day-care Centers and out-of-school**

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.

#### **Article 6 Regular Vaccination and Booster Campaign:**

Vaccination and booster is possible each Wednesday and Friday from 09:00 – 12:00 at the Public Health Department (Cottage Road).

#### **Article 7 Testing**

1. Daily testing is possible from 09:00 – 12:00 at the Public Health Department (Cottage Road).
2. Regular self-test are available for the critical sectors such as the schools, public health workers, police, konmar, airport staff, harbor staff, fire department and the crises management team at the Public Health Department.

#### **Article 8 Isolation and Quarantine**

1. After a positive test, another test takes place by the Public Health Department after seven (7) days of isolation.
2. If the first test is positive, a re-test is done after three (3) days.
3. Quarantine of seven (7) days in case of direct contact with a positive person(s). On the seventh day an antigen test shall be done by the Public Health Department, for vaccinated and non-vaccinated persons.

**Article 9 Implementation**

1. This Decree goes into retro effect from February 1<sup>st</sup>, until February, 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022, unless repealed.
2. Upon the entry into force of this Decree, the Decree of January, 18th, 2022 is repealed.

**St Eustatius, February, 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Government Commissioner St Eustatius,**

**Ms. M.A.U. Francis**