



Government of Antigua and Barbuda

Office of the Prime Minister

RESPONSE TO COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

State of Emergency in Antigua and Barbuda

14-day Curfew in effect from midnight Saturday March 28, 2020 to Saturday April 11, 2020

Curfew hours: 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. daily

All citizens and residents are required to adhere to the curfew and the conditions of the **State of Emergency**. Failure to do so may result in a fine of \$5,000.00, six (6) months in prison, or both.

Following are the designated essential services and businesses; the businesses and activities that are permitted with limitations; and the businesses and activities that are strictly prohibited during the period of the **State of Emergency**.

ESSENTIAL SERVICES & BUSINESSES	LIMITED BUSINESS & OTHER ACTIVITIES	NON-ESSENTIAL SERVICES/ BUSINESSES & PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES
<p>Healthcare: Doctors, Nurses, Emergency Medical Technicians, Clinic Workers, Elderly Care Workers, Caregivers, Hospital Orderlies and Administrative Staff.</p> <p>Public Safety & Security: Police Officers, Soldiers, Firefighters, Prison Officers, Officers of the ONDCP, Private Security Officers</p> <p>Critical Public Services: Airport and Seaport Workers, Customs Officers, Immigration Officers, Air Traffic Controllers Meteorologists, Sanitation Workers, Utilities & Telecommunications Workers, WIOC</p> <p>Judicial & Legal Services: Judges, Magistrates, Lawyers and support staff</p> <p>Other Essential Services: Bus Drivers, Farmers, Maintenance Workers, Media Workers, Certain Government employees and employees of Statutory Bodies not otherwise stated (to be advised by their senior managers)</p>	<p>Wholesalers Supermarkets Bakeries Pharmacies Financial Institutions Gas Stations Tire Repair & Mechanic Shops Call Centers Construction Manufacturers of Bottled Water, Cleaning & Hygiene Products Trucking and Haulage Contractors Import/Export Logistics Hardware Stores Restaurants Hotels with occupants Churches (25 persons max) Weddings (25 persons max) Funerals (25 persons max)</p>	<p>Retail Stores Department Stores General Merchandise Stores Car Dealerships Bars Nightclubs Casinos, Arcades & Gaming rooms Spas Barbershops Beauty Salons Parties Fetes Picnics Incoming Yachts All other social gatherings, recreational and entertainment activities</p>

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<p>Employees engaged in these services are not subject to the curfew hours of 8:00pm to 6:00am.</p> <p>They are expected to operate as normal to ensure minimal disruption of service delivery.</p> <p>These employees should ensure they have their IDs at all times.</p> <p>Essential services employees should still adhere to COVID-19 protocols.</p> <p>Bus drivers and passengers are required to wear masks when on buses.</p>	<p>These businesses/activities must close/end in time to allow employees/participants to arrive home before 8:00pm.</p> <p>Social Distancing and all other COVID -19 protocols must be strictly adhered to.</p> <p>Hardware stores to offer delivery and pick up services only.</p> <p>Trucking and Haulage Contractors covers transportation of fuel, cargo and bulk items related to essential or permitted services and businesses.</p> <p>Import/Export Logistics includes shipping agents, cargo and freight companies, brokers, document and package courier services.</p> <p>Restaurants to offer take-out and delivery service only.</p> <p>Hotel occupants to utilize in-room dining.</p>	<p>These businesses and activities are strictly prohibited.</p> <p>While gyms are prohibited, exercise is encouraged, including outdoor exercise, with adherence to curfew hours and social distancing and other COVID-19 protocols.</p> <p>Antigua and Barbuda's borders are closed to incoming yachts.</p>

Starting Monday 30 March, questions regarding businesses and other activities impacted by the curfew may be submitted to covid.essentialservices@ab.gov.ag

The Royal Police Force of Antigua and Barbuda and The Antigua and Barbuda Defence Force will patrol the streets of Antigua and Barbuda to ensure compliance with the curfew hours.

Depending on the level of compliance; successful containment of community spread of the virus; and general cooperation of the citizenry, the Government will review and amend the list of essential, limited, and non-essential services, businesses and activities during the curfew period.

Let us all act responsibly and work together to make Antigua and Barbuda COVID free.

God Bless the People and Nation of Antigua and Barbuda!

March 28, 2020