

## REPUBLIC OF KIRIBATI



### **s21, 37(3) Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change Act 2019**

### **s2, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 Public Health Infectious Disease Regulation**

### **CURFEW ORDER**

I, **Te Beretitenti, Taneti Maamau**, in exercise of the power conferred upon me under the Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change Act and the Public Health Infectious Disease Regulation, and following the conditions of Alert Level 3, hereby declare the following law for Tarawa ieta, Maiana, Abaiang, Marakei, Abemama, Aranuka and Makin as follows:-

1. Curfew hours from 6pm to 6am everyday.
2. All Government Offices and SOEs will be closed and work remotely from home, except for essential and emergency services which will also follow the MHMS guidelines;
  - Island Council office
  - Hospital services
  - Police services
  - Kiribati Oil Company and gas stations
  - Wholesalers and retailers selling food
  - Telecommunication service providers
  - Shipping and Aviation service providers
  - Kiribati Red Cross Society
  - Kiribati Family Health Association

3. And other essential services that the Government and the Island Council deems necessary during the curfew. These additional services require prior approval of the Island Council Office.
4. All essential service providers (food wholesale and retail) from the private sector will remain open to the public from 6am to 6pm.
5. People MUST stay at home – may only leave their homes for essential work or to access emergency services but must observe compulsory face mask, social distancing of 2m, no spitting and nose blowing in the public places and other guidelines from MHMS.
6. Access to shops for food shopping and other essential services will be zoned to limit the movement of people within their neighbourhoods or villages from 6am to 6pm.
7. Public transportation services may operate but will also observe compulsory face mask, open windows, no spitting and nose blowing and other MHMS guidelines and passengers must not share seats nor stand.
8. School closure until the end of this month.
9. All kava bars, liquor bars, and night clubs will be closed.
10. Social gatherings (including churches) up to 20 people are allowed to gather in outdoor setting. With appropriate distancing, masks and good ventilation.
11. Access to hospital services will be conducted according to the Ministry of Health and Medical Service guidelines as earlier announced.
12. Delivery of cargoes, fuels and medical supplies by vessel or air service will continue to outer island with no passengers allowed. Only those stranded in the outer islands are allowed to return to Tarawa provided they meet health travel requirements.
13. Passengers travelling from South Tarawa and Betio to COVID-19 free islands are allowed with approval from island councils via MIA. These

passengers will need to undergo tested negative before travelling. Passengers of 18 years and over must have been fully vaccinated before they can travel. Vessel operators must ensure that this requirement is followed. Other SOP requirement in relation to travelling must also be followed by the passengers and crews.

14. All police officers and other responsible Government officers are hereby ordered to ensure that this Order and future directions issued out of this Order and Public Health (Infectious Disease) Regulation and the Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change Act are complied with by the public.
15. Urgent direction(s) other than those listed here, if there is a need, may be issued later to the police and other officers of the Government for execution in relation to certain areas or groups of people or activities etc where it deemed necessary to achieve the purposes of this Order and the Public Health (Infectious Disease) Regulation and the Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change Act in relation to COVID-19.
16. Any person who contravenes any conditions of this Order commits an offence and will be liable to be arrested by the police or imprisonment. For clarification purposes, any breach of all the provisions of the Public Health (Infectious Disease) Regulation is an offence.
17. In case of any inconsistencies between this version and the Kiribati version, the Kiribati version shall prevail.
18. This Order repeals any previous Orders and is effective on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 6 am until 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 at 6am.

Dated 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022

**HE TANETI MAAMAU**

**TE BERETITENTI**

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