

## Public announcement of the state capital Erfurt

Execution of the law for the prevention and control of infectious diseases in humans  
(German Protection against Infectious Diseases Act - IfSG)

### **General regulation on measures necessary to control the spread of coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 from 16.12.2020**

The Lord Mayor of the state capital of Erfurt, acting as the lower public health authority in accordance with § 28 paragraph 1 sentence 1 and 2 of the law for the prevention and control of infectious diseases in humans (German Protection against Infectious Diseases Act – IfSG) in its currently valid version in conjunction with § 35 sentence 2 of the Thuringian Administrative Procedure Act (ThürVwVfG) in its currently valid version, orders the following general regulation to protect public safety.

According to § 13 of the second Thuringian regulation on basic infection protection rules for the containment of the spread of the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 (Second Thuringian SARS-CoV-2- infection protection basic regulation - 2<sup>nd</sup> ThürSARS-CoV-2-IfG-GrundVO -) in its currently valid version (hereinafter referred to as Thuringian Regulation), further regulations of the competent authorities in deviation from the aforementioned regulation remain unaffected.

In addition to the provisions of the Thuringian Regulation, the Thuringian Regulation on Extraordinary Special Measures to Stop an Abrupt Spread of the Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 (Thuringian SARS-CoV-2 Special Containment Measures Regulation - ThürSARS-CoV-2-SonderEindmaßnVO -) in its currently valid version (hereinafter referred to as Special Containment Measures Regulation) shall apply with priority.

**Thus, the following regulations, which go beyond the orders of the Thuringian Regulation, are ordered for the entire city area, unless already ordered by the Special Containment Measures Regulation. In all other respects, the Thuringian Regulation and its supplementing Special Containment Measures Regulation shall apply in their valid versions, respectively.**

#### **1. The wearing of a mouth-and-nose covering in public spaces is ordered as follows:**

- (1) Beyond the provisions regulated in section 6, paragraph 1 (public transport) and in section 6, paragraph 2 (businesses open to the public) of the Thuringian Regulation, each person has to wear a mouth-and-nose covering within city limits in the following areas and under the following conditions:
  - a. in publicly accessible areas of accommodation and catering establishments (corridors, foyer, elevators, guest room) for customers and staff, except for people seated at a table,
  - b. when entering and staying in covered traffic areas in shopping centers,
  - c. when using private transport services with the exception of people of one's own household within the city limits of Erfurt,
  - d. in medical and therapeutic facilities, particularly in doctor's offices, therapy

- practices, ambulatory health care centers and hospitals for patients (medical mouth and nose protection for staff),
- e. in skilled crafts businesses or the service industry, unless they must be kept closed in accordance with the Special Containment Ordinance; when using or performing services close to the human body, as long as they are permitted by the Special Containment Ordinance in exceptional cases (medically necessary), the employees have to wear an FFP2 mask without exhalation valve as a mouth-nose-protection, supplemented by protective goggles or a face shield,
  - f. when entering and staying in places for catering of food and drink for take out or delivery,
  - g. outside of buildings in the public space of the following streets, paths and squares if the minimum distance of at least 1.5 m according to § 1 of the Thuringian Regulation cannot be maintained:

Allerheiligenstraße	Am Hügel	An den Graden	An der Stadtmünze
Andreasstraße	Anger	Augustinerstraße	Augustmauer
Bahnhofstraße	Barfüßerstraße	Bechtheimer	Benaryplatz
Benediktsplatz	Biereyestraße	Bindersiebener Landstraße	Bonemilchstraße
Bonifaciusstraße	Borngasse	Boyneburgufer	Brühler Straße
Comthurgasse	Cusanusstraße		
Dalbergsweg	Dämmchen	Domplatz	Domstraße
Domstufen	Drachengasse		
Eichenstraße			
Farbengasse	Faustgäßchen	Fischersand	Fischmarkt
Fleischgasse	Franckestraße	Furthmühlgasse	Futterstraße
Georgsgasse	Glockengasse	Glockenquergasse	Gorkistraße
Görmersgasse	Gothaer Platz	Gotthardtstraße	Grafengasse
Große Ackerhofsgasse	Große Arche	Grünstraße	Günterstraße
Gutenbergstraße			
Hefengasse	Heilige Grabesmühlgasse	Heinrichstraße	Helmut-Kohl-Straße
Henning-Goede-Straße	Herrmannsplatz	Hirschlachufer	Holzheienstraße
Hörngasse	Hugo-Preuß-Platz	Hütergasse	Huttenstraße
Johannesmauer	Johannesstraße	Junkersand	Juri-Gagarin-Ring
Karl-Marx-Platz	Kaufmännerstraße	Keilhauergasse	Kettenstraße
Kirchgasse	Kirchhofsgasse	Kleine Ackerhofsgasse	Kleine Arche

Klostergang	Koenbergkstraße	Krämerbrücke	Krämpferstraße
Krämpfertor	Kreuzgasse	Kreuzsand	Kronenburggasse
Kronengasse	Kupferhammermühlgasse	Kürschnergasse	
Lachgasse	Lange Brücke	Lauentor	Lilienstraße
Löwengasse	Ludwigstraße	Lutherstraße	
Mainzerhofplatz	Mainzerhofstraße	Malzgasse	Marbacher Gasse
Markgrafengasse	Marktstraße	Marstallstraße	Martinsgasse
Martinskloster	Maximilian-Welsch-Straße	Meienbergstraße	Meister-Eckehart-Straße
Melanchthonstraße	Mettengasse	Meyfartstraße	Michaelisstraße
Mittelmühlgasse	Mohrengasse	Moritzhof	Moritzstraße
Moritzwallstraße	Mühlgasse	Müllersgasse	
Neuwerkstraße	Nonnengasse		
Ottostraße			
Paulstraße	Pergamentergasse	Petersberg	Peterstraße
Petrinistraße	Pfeiffersgasse	Pflöckengasse	Pilse
Placidus-Muth-Straße	Predigerstraße		
Radegundenstraße	Rathausbrücke	Rathausgasse	Regierungsstraße
Reglermauer	Rudolfstraße	Rumpelgasse	Rupprechtgasse
Schafgasse	Schattenwandgasse	Schildgasse	Schlösserstraße
Schlüterstraße	Schottengasse	Schottenstraße	Schuhgasse
Seengäßlein	Severihof	Spiegelgasse	Steinstraße
Stiftsgasse	Studentengasse	Stunzengasse	
Taschengasse	Taubengasse	Theaterplatz	Theaterstraße
Trommsdorffstraße	Turniergasse		
Venedig	Vor dem Moritztor		
Waagegasse	Waidenstraße	Walkmühlstraße	Warsbergstraße
Webergasse	Weidengasse	Weiß Gasse	Weißfrauengasse
Weitergasse	Wenigemarkt	Wilhelm-Külz-Straße	Willy-Brandt-Platz
Ziegengasse	Zur Grünen Schildmühle		

The geographical scope defined thereafter is attached to this general regulation as an annex (map).

In addition, if the minimum distance of at least 1.5 m cannot be maintained, the obligation to wear a mouth-and-nose-covering in the entire city limits applies to:

- weekly markets established on the basis of the weekly market statutes,
- designated public transport stops in accordance with the German Road Traffic Regulations (StVO - sign 224),
- designated pedestrian zones in accordance with the German Road Traffic Regulations (StVO - sign 242.1)
- in underground passages.

(2) The mouth-nose-covering must be tightly fitted to cover nose and mouth well. Visors or shields without additional mouth-nose-covering are not allowed and do not meet the requirements of § 6 of the Thuringian Regulation.

(3) The following exceptional circumstances of § 6 para. 3 no. 1. and 2. of the Thuringian Regulation remain unaffected: children up to the age of 6 years as well as persons who are not able to or cannot reasonably be expected to wear a mouth and nose covering due to disability or for health reasons are exempt from the obligation to use a mouth and nose covering. This must be credibly shown in a suitable manner. To prove the impossibility or unreasonableness due to medical reasons according to § 6 para. 3 no. 2 of the Second Thuringian SARS-CoV-2- infection protection basic regulation (2. ThürSARS-CoV-2 IfS-GrundVO), a medical certificate is mandatory, which states the functional and medical term of the clinical picture (diagnosis), the Latin name or the classification of the illness according to the ICD 10 codes as well as the reason for the exemption. There are no further exceptions from the mandatory use of a mouth-nose covering.

## **2. The burning off and use of pyrotechnical gadgetry in public spaces**

From December 31. of 2020 to January 1. of 2021, the burning off and use of pyrotechnical devices in public spaces within the entire city limits (for city limits compare with § 2 of the main statute) is prohibited.

## **3. General Ban on selling alcohol**

From 10 p.m. at night to 5 a.m. in the morning, there is a general ban on selling alcohol. The prohibition of selling alcohol applies especially also to petrol stations and mixed enterprises of the bar sector with retail trade.

## **4. Special markets**

In addition to the prohibitions according to sections 6 and 8 of the Special Containment Measures Regulation, special markets as specified by § 68 of the German Trade Regulation Act (Gewerbeordnung) are similarly prohibited, unless they are specifically exempt from closedown by § 8, para. 2, sentence 2.

## **5. Notwithstanding § 7 para. 1 of the Thuringian Regulation, the following applies to public events:**

The Erfurt Christmas market as well as other Advent markets are prohibited without exception. Similarly, individual Advent stands or the like including serving of alcohol and the on site consumption of take-out food are prohibited. The serving and sale of open alcoholic beverages ("to go") is not allowed. The consumption of alcohol in public is prohibited (see § 3a of the Special Containment Measures Regulation).

## **6. Notwithstanding § 7 para. 3 of the Thuringian Regulation, the following applies to non-public events:**

Non-public events, especially funeral ceremonies or marriages, whether in closed rooms or in the open air, with more than 10 participants are prohibited.

At civil marriages taking place at the registry office, only a maximum of 5 individuals are permitted to attend.

## **7. Religious events and gatherings**

Religious events or gatherings are allowed to take place only within church buildings and while strictly observing the applicable infection containment rules. By special permission of the Lower Health authority, exceptions can be made for confined churchyards or –courts. Infection containments concepts must include specifics to limit the number of visitors, to manage and reserve seats or standing room when indicated, to clearly indicate the location of separate entries and exits, to limit the duration of the event, to provide for intermissions for ventilation, to manage choir performances and to enforce the obligation that all participants wear a mouth-and-nose-covering.

## **8. Visits to hospitals**

Notwithstanding § 9a of the Thuringian Regulation, visits to hospitals are generally prohibited. For medical and ethical-socially indicated visits, in particular visits to maternity, children's and palliative wards or hospices, differing regulations may be made by the facility administration, provided that a sufficiently high level of infection protection is ensured.

## **9. Buildings of the state capital Erfurt, in particular:**

- community centres (Bürgerhaus)
- House of social services (Haus der sozialen Dienste)
- City Hall (Rathaus)
- sports facilities,
- Fire Brigade equipment houses etc.

may not be used for events according to § 7 of the Thuringian Regulation. Excluded are sports meetings that are closed to the public and do dispose of a confirmed infection protection concept.

## **10. Effectiveness**

This general regulation shall take effect on the day following its announcement and shall be valid up to and including 13.01.2021. The general regulation on measures necessary to control the spread of the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 of 27.11.2020 shall be repealed upon the entry into force of this general regulation.

## Instruction on legal remedies:

An appeal against this general regulation may be lodged within one month of its notification. The objection must be submitted in writing or for recording to the state capital Erfurt, Health Office, Juri-Gagarin-Ring 150, 99084 Erfurt. The objection can also be made by means of de-Mail with sender confirmation in the sense of § 5 para. 5 of the De-Mail Act to the De-Mail address [stadtverwaltung@erfurt.de-mail.de](mailto:stadtverwaltung@erfurt.de-mail.de). However, filing an objection by means of a simple e-mail does not meet the requirements for the written form.

This order is immediately enforceable. This means that an objection does not have a suspensive effect (§§ 28 para. 3 in connection with 16 para. 8 IfSG, § 80 para. 2 p. 1 no. 3 Administrative Court Regulation). This means that the general ruling must be followed even if it is challenged with an objection. An application can be made to the Weimar Administrative Court, Jenaer Straße 2 in 99425 Weimar, for an order suspending the suspensive effect of an objection.

### Notes:

Pursuant to § 41 para. 4 sentence 1 ThürVwVfG only the enacting terms of the general regulation are to be made public. The full text of the general regulation can be viewed at the state capital Erfurt, public health department by arrangement over the phone.

Erfurt, 16.12.2020

State Capital Erfurt

*signed*

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Lord Mayor

Annex to general regulation from 16.12.2020 (geographical scope)

