

# PANAMA Legal Update \* COVID-19



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To combat the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, the Republic of Panama has enacted new regulations to stop the spread and guarantee the continuance of economic activities.

## Government declares National State of Emergency

The Panamanian government approved on March 13, 2020, **Cabinet Resolution No. 11** which declares national state of emergency and allows the Executive Branch to take special actions in combatting the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. The following regulations have been issued as part of the National Strategy Against Covid-19:

### ▪ Judiciary and Administrative Terms Suspensions

1. **Bank Superintendence Resolution No. SBP-RG-001-2020** dated **March 18, 2020**, which orders the suspension of terms in all administrative proceedings before the Bank Superintendence. Extended by **Resolutions No. SBP-RG-002-2020** dated **April 3, 2020**, **No. SBP-RG-004-2020** dated **May 14, 2020**, **No. SBP-RG-0005-2020** dated **May 20, 2020** and **No. SBP-RG-0006-2020** dated **June 8, 2020**. Terms currently remain suspended until **June 28, 2020**.
2. **Customs Resolution No. 116** dated **March 23, 2020**, which orders the suspension of terms in all administrative and criminal procedures of the Customs Jurisdiction nationwide. Extended by **Resolutions No. 123** dated

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**April 6, 2020, No. 126 dated May 4, 2020 and No. 134 dated May 25, 2020, terms currently remain suspended until June 17, 2020.**

3. **Executive Decree No. 507 dated March 24, 2020**, which orders the suspension of terms in all administrative proceedings. **Executive Decree No. 513 dated March 27, 2020**, excepts public procurement tender proceedings in which proposals have already been filed. Extended by **Executive Decree No. 693 dated June 8, 2020**, terms currently remain suspended until June 21, 2020.
4. **General Income Directorate Resolution No. 201-2270 dated March 16, 2020**, which orders the suspension of terms in all administrative processes. Extended by **Resolution No. 201-2353 dated March 20, 2020 and Resolution No. 201-3005 dated June 2, 2020**, terms currently remain suspended until June 30, 2020.
5. **Maritime Authority Resolution No. 053-2020 dated March 25, 2020**, which establishes the suspension of legal terms in the Maritime Authority proceedings. Extended by **Resolution ADM No. 064-2020 dated May 4, 2020 and No. 070-2020 dated May 18, 2020**, terms currently remain suspended until June 7, 2020.
6. **Ministry of Commerce Executive Decree No. 154 date May 13, 2020**, which orders the suspension of terms in all pledge contracts with pawn houses as well as interest accrued for the duration of the National State of Emergency. Modified by **Ministry of Commerce Executive Decree No. 155 dated May 27, 2020**.
7. **Ministry of Commerce Resolution No. 27 dated March 16, 2020**, which orders the suspension of terms in all administrative processes. Extended by **Resolutions No. 32 dated March 30, 2020, No. 33 dated April 15, 2020, No. 35 dated April 30, 2020 and No. 39 dated May 18, 2020**, terms currently remain suspended until June 7, 2020.
8. **Ministry of Labor Resolution DM-134 dated March 13, 2020**, which orders the suspension of terms and hearings before the Labor Conciliation and Decision Boards nationwide. Extended by **Resolutions No. DM-148 dated March 30, 2020 and No. 152 dated April 30, 2020**
9. **Ministry of Labor Resolution DM-135 dated March 13, 2020**, which orders the suspension of terms and hearings before the General Labor Directorate nationwide. Extended by **Resolutions No. DM-147 dated March 30, 2020, and No. 151 dated April 30, 2020**.
10. **National Land Administration Resolution No. 116 dated March 16, 2020**, which orders the suspension of terms in all administrative processes before the National Land Administration. Extended indefinitely by **Resolution No. 119 dated April 1, 2020**
11. **Public Ministry Resolution No. PA/DS-097-2020 dated April 17, 2020**, which orders the suspension of terms in all administrative processes before the Attorney General for the Administration until April 30, 2020. Extended by **Resolution No. PA/DS-099-2020 dated April 30, 2020 and Resolution No. PA/DS-100-2020 dated May 15, 2020**, terms currently remain suspended until June 7, 2020.
12. **Public Ministry Resolution No. PA/DS-098-2020 dated April 17, 2020**, which authorizes claims and complaints before the Attorney General for the Administration to be filed electronically via email.

13. **Public Services Authority Resolution No. 1072-ADM dated March 13, 2020**, which orders the suspension of terms in all administrative processes. Extended by **Resolutions No. 1076-ADM dated April 3, 2020, No. 1078-ADM dated April 30, 2020, No. 1081-ADM dated May 15, 2020 and No. 1082-ADM dated June 8, 2020**, terms currently remain suspended until **June 22, 2020**.
14. **SENACYT Administrative Resolution No. 111 dated March 23, 2020**, which orders the suspension of terms in all administrative processes before the National Secretariat of Science, Technology and Innovation.
15. **Social Security Administration Resolution No. 382-2020-DG dated March 19, 2020**, which orders the suspension of terms in all administrative processes before the Social Security Administration. Extended by **Resolution No. 384-2020-DG dated April 14, 2020, No. 441-2020-DG dated May 15, 2020 and No. 476-2020-DG dated June 9, 2020**, terms currently remain suspended until **June 21, 2020**.
16. **Supreme Court Agreement No. 146 dated March 13, 2020**, which orders the closure of courts and the suspension of judicial terms nationwide, modified by **Agreements No. 147 dated March 16, 2020, No. 158 dated March 19, 2020, No. 159 dated April 6, 2020, No. 161 dated April 30, 2020, No. 163 dated May 5, 2020, No. 168 dated May 14, 2020 and No. 186 dated June 8, 2020**. Judicial terms currently remain suspended until **June 21, 2020**.

#### ■ **Judiciary and Administrative Terms Reactivations**

1. **Ministry of Labor Resolution DM-156 dated May 29, 2020**, which orders the reactivations of terms and proceedings before the General Labor Directorate, **starting June 15, 2020. Pending Hearings are to be reprogrammed starting July 1, 2020.**
2. **Ministry of Labor Resolution DM-157 dated May 29, 2020**, which orders the reactivations of terms and proceedings before the Labor Conciliation and Decision Boards, **starting June 15, 2020. Pending Hearings are to be reprogrammed starting July 1, 2020.**
3. **National Immigration Service Resolution No. 8189 dated May 29, 2020**, which orders the reopening of administrative attention by **June 8, 2020**.
4. **Public Ministry Resolution No. PA/DS-100-2020 dated May 15, 2020**, which adopts measures for the transition and reorganization of the Attorney General for the Administration's Office.
5. **Supreme Court Agreement No. 168 dated May 14, 2020**, which orders the reopening of courts to public by **June 1, 2020** and **Agreement No. 186 dated June 8, 2020**, which orders the reactivations of terms and proceedings by **June 22, 2020**.

#### ■ **Economic and Commercial Reactivations**

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1. **Executive Decree No. 541 dated April 21, 2020**, which authorizes the reactivation, operation and mobilization of commercial activities for laundries and credits and savings unions (cooperatives), **from April 21, 2020**.
2. **Executive Decree No. 612 dated May 8, 2020**, which authorizes the distribution, sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages, under strict restrictions, **from May 8, 2020**.
3. **Executive Decree No. 96 dated May 15, 2020**, which establishes a special temporal labor procedure for the gradual reopening of companies.
4. **Ministry of Commerce Resolution No. 423 dated May 13, 2020**, which authorizes the reactivation, operation and mobilization of commercial activities for e-commerce, car workshops, spare part shops, technical and maintenance household services, and commercial pest control services, **from May 13, 2020**.
5. **Ministry of Education Resolution No. 1404-A dated March 27, 2020**, which authorizes the temporary implementation of distance learning, including virtual, non-presential, semi-presential, and tele-education.
6. **Ministry of Health Resolution No. 399 dated May 5, 2020**, which authorizes the reactivation, operation and mobilization of commercial activities for hardware stores, **from May 6, 2020**.
7. **Ministry of Health Resolution No. 405 dated May 11, 2020**, which adopts the Guidelines for Companies' Return to Post-COVID-19 Normalcy.
8. **Ministry of Health Resolution No. 406 dated May 11, 2020**, which authorizes the reactivation, operation and mobilization of commercial activities for the fishing industry and artisanal fishing, for Panama-flagged vessels with internal service fishing licenses, **from May 12, 2020**.
9. **Ministry of Health Resolution No. 453 dated May 29, 2020**, which authorizes the reactivation, operation and mobilization of commercial activities for construction in public projects, non-metallic mining, industries, places of worship, parks and recreation centers, **from June 1, 2020**.
10. **Ministry of Labor Resolution No. DM-154-2020 dated May 20, 2020**, which adopts the basic requirements form for compliance with the Guidelines for Companies' Return to Post-COVID-19 Normalcy, developed by the Ministry of Labor and Labor Development and the Ministry of Health. Modified by **Resolution No. DM-155-2020 May 25, 2020**, allowing documents to be filed electronically.

## ■ **Economic and Fiscal Measures**

1. **Bank Superintendence Agreement No. 2 dated March 16, 2020**, which approves measures to allow banks to implement the necessary mechanisms to support their personal banking clients as well as commercial and corporate clients.
2. **Bank Superintendence Board of Directors Resolution SBP-GJD-0003-2020 dated April 20, 2020**, which temporarily extends the required risk rating updates until July 31, 2020.

3. **Bank Superintendence Board of Directors Resolution SBP-GJD-0004-2020 dated April 20, 2020**, which temporarily extends bank appraisal reports for one year.
4. **Bank Superintendence Board of Directors Resolution SBP-GJD-0005-2020 dated April 20, 2020**, which temporarily establishes special considerations in relation to Article 2 of Agreement 3-2016 on risk-weighted assets.
5. **Cabinet Decree No. 14 dated April 21, 2020**, which authorizes the Republic of Panama, represented by the Ministry of Economy and Finance, to execute financial assistance from the International Monetary Fund under the Rapid Financing Instrument (RFI), up to 376.8 million Special Drawing Rights (SDR), in order to finance the emergency situation generated by COVID-19.
6. **Cabinet Decree No. 15 dated April 21, 2020**, which authorizes a Loan Agreement between the Republic of Panama, represented by the Ministry of Economy and Finance, and the Andean Development Corporation (CAF), up to US\$50,000,000.00, in order to finance the emergency situation generated by COVID-19.
7. **Colon Free Trade Zone Resolution JD 001-2020 dated April 8, 2020**, which temporarily suspends leases of lots and premises contracted by companies located within the Colon Free Trade Zone.
8. **Customs Resolution No. 115 dated March 20, 2020**, which temporarily implements a procedure for sending, receiving and documentary verification prior to the entry of goods into the customs territory.
9. **Executive Decree No. 145 May 1, 2020**, which suspends evictions on housing, professional, industrial, educational and commercial leases for the duration of the National State of Emergency and grants jurisdiction to the Ministry of Housing for any claims on lease contracts.
10. **Executive Decree No. 251 dated March 24, 2020**, which adopts tax measures (moratorium) to alleviate the economic impact resulting from the National State of Emergency. Modified and extended by **Executive Decree No. 298 dated May 27, 2020**.
11. **Executive Decree No. 257 dated April 3, 2020**, which modifies Executive Decree No. 533 dated November 19, 2019 on tax amnesty.
12. **Executive Decree No. 500 dated March 19, 2020**, which approves additional sanitary measures, to reduce, mitigate and control the spread of the COVID-19 Pandemic in the country. A nation-wide shut down is effectively ordered for non-essential industries and economic activities for thirty calendar days from March 20, 2020. **Executive Decree No. 541 dated April 21, 2020**, extends the shutdown indefinitely until the National Emergency is lifted
13. **Executive Decree No. 506 dated March 24, 2020**, which orders the temporary suspension of construction industry activities. Extended by **Executive Decree No. 548 dated April 24, 2020**, **Executive Decree No. 637 dated May 25, 2020**, and **Executive Decree No. 709 dated June 10, 2020**. **Suspension for construction is currently in place for fifteen days from June 10, 2020.**

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14. **Financial Analysis Unit Administrative Resolution No. 011-2020 dated May 6, 2020**, which temporarily extends the term for the submission of cash or quasi-cash transaction reports, and semesterly or final statement for cash or quasi-cash transactions, as well as other requirements established by the Unit to obligated subjects.
15. **General Income Directorate Resolution No. 201-2401 dated March 30, 2020**, which extends the deadline for submitting certain reports. Extended by **Resolution No. 201-2722 dated May 20, 2020**, taxpayers will have until July 31, 2020, to submit the forms for the months of February, March April, and May 2020; and until July 17, 2020 for third party payments and donations reports corresponding to the 2019 fiscal period.
16. **General Income Directorate Resolution No. 201-2402 dated April 2, 2020**, which suspends personal attention and authorizes online tax filings.
17. **General Income Directorate Resolution No. 201-2406 dated April 6, 2020**, which temporarily exempts the usage of fiscal equipment to taxpayers who have been ordered to shutdown their activities.
18. **General Income Directorate Resolution No. 201-2419 dated April 20, 2020**, which authorizes services and notices to be performed electronically via email.
19. **General Income Directorate Resolution No. 201-2422 dated April 27, 2020**, which establishes a procedure for the issuance of free and clear certificates.
20. **General Income Directorate Resolution No. 201-2427 dated May 4, 2020**, which regulates the application of tax credits to the transfer and services tax (ITBMS).
21. **Insurance Resolution DG-SSRP-011 dated March 19, 2020**, which establishes special considerations for those regulated subjects and users of the Superintendence of Insurance and Reinsurance to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 contagion.
22. **Law 134 of March 20, 2020**, which extends the tax moratorium period until June 30, 2020, condoning up to 85% of interests, surcharges and fines.
23. **Law 139 of March 20, 2020**, which adopts special emergency measures to combat the COVID-19 pandemic, which includes the usage of the National Savings Fund.
24. **Ministry of Commerce Resolution No. 31 dated March 18, 2020**, which urges financial companies to implement special and temporary measures to provide certain flexibility to their clients.
25. **Ministry of Commerce Resolution No. 36 dated April 30, 2020**, which enables the General Directorate for Industrial Property to receive trademark filings and renewals via email.
26. **Ministry of Commerce Resolution No. 38 dated May 12, 2020**, which authorizes regulated financial companies to use means of communication, such as: email, text messages, as a means of written proof, to inform the user or financial consumer of the facilities provided, for grace periods, interest rate adjustments, modification of the financing term and/or any other provision, for the implementation of the special and temporary measures agreed upon.
27. **Municipal Council of Arraijan Agreement No. 16 dated March 16, 2020**, which grants an extension of tax payments until May 30, 2020.

28. **Municipal Council of Panama Agreement No. 67 dated March 17, 2020**, which grants an extension of tax payments until April 30, 2020.
29. **Municipal Council of Panama Agreement No. 81 dated May 5, 2020**, which extends the deadline for submitting annual taxpayer reports until June 30, 2020.
30. **National Energy Secretariat Resolution 4726 dated April 15, 2020**, which temporarily establishes the maximum retail prices of some liquid fuels in the Republic of Panama.
31. **Securities Market Agreement No. 7-2020 dated March 21, 2020**, which approves special and temporary measures for the abbreviated registration of modifications to certain terms and conditions of public offerings registered with the Securities Market Superintendence.
32. **Securities Market Resolution No. JD-4-20 dated April 24, 2020**, which establishes special and temporary measures for regulated entities to comply with the notarial requirements in periodic reports, and extends the filing period of certain reports, due to the emergency situation generated by COVID-19.
33. **Securities Market Resolution No. SMV-142 dated April 3, 2020**, which approves special working hours of the Securities Market Superintendence from Monday, April 6, 2020.

#### ■ **Aid and Relief**

1. **Cabinet Decree No. 5 dated March 17, 2020**, which adopts special measures for importing paddy rice.
2. **Cabinet Decree No. 7 dated March 18, 2020**, which adopts special measures to modify import tariff sections (Clorox, detergents, alcohol gel, disinfectants, masks, gloves, soaps, medical gowns, oxygen).
3. **Cabinet Decrees No. 10 and No. 12 dated March 31, 2020**, which modifies national import tariffs.
4. **Cabinet Resolution No. 24 dated April 7, 2020**, which promotes voluntary donations by public officials to the National Savings Fund.
5. **Customs Resolution No. 118 dated March 24, 2020**, which establishes the temporary procedure for the importation of merchandise under the special relief shipment (aid and humanitarian assistance). Extended by **Customs Resolution No. 121 dated April 6, 2020** and **Customs Resolution No. 147 dated June 8, 2020, until August 8, 2020**.
6. **Executive Decree No. 400 dated March 27, 2020**, which establishes a solidarity and relief program for families in poverty and persons engaged in independent economic activities, through food bags, government payments and food stamps.
7. **Law 152 of May 4, 2020**, which adopts special measures to temporarily suspend payments on public services which include electricity, telephone and internet. Regulated by **Executive Decree No. 291 dated May 13, 2020** and by **Public Services Authority Resolution No. 16096-Telco dated March 21, 2020**, which approves the transitional measures to be implemented and applied by the concessionaire companies providing public fixed, mobile and internet telephony services.

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8. **Public Services Authority Resolution No. 1077-ADM dated April 22, 2020**, which establishes a transitory procedure for claims filed by clients of the public services of water and sanitary sewerage, electricity, telecommunications and paid television; due to the emergency situation generated by COVID-19. Modified by **Resolution No. 1080-ADM dated May 15, 2020**
9. **Public Services Authority Resolution No. 16061-ELEC dated April 24, 2020**, which orders electricity companies to request approval from the Public Services Authority prior to the cancelling of services.

#### ■ **Labor and Immigration Regulations**

1. **Electoral Tribunal Decree No. 6 dated March 11, 2020**, which extends the validity of personal identity cards for Panamanian adults and minors (youth card) and permanent residents. Currently valid until May 15, 2020.
2. **Executive Decree 217 dated March 16, 2020**, which dictates temporary immigration control measures for nationals and foreigners.
3. **Executive Decree No. 71 dated March 13, 2020**, which temporarily regulates article 159 of the Labor Code, that allows the reduction of the working day with the consequent reduction of the salary.
4. **Executive Decree No. 78 dated March 16, 2020**, which establishes labor-related measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in companies.
5. **Executive Decree No. 81 dated March 20, 2020**, which establishes that the contracts of the workers, whose operations have been closed, may be suspended, such suspension must be authorized by Ministry of Labor. The workers are not obliged to provide the service and the Employers are not required to pay wages. It does not imply the termination of the contract, nor will it affect the seniority of the workers. Extended by **Executive Decree No. 95 dated April 21, 2020 and Executive Decree No. 97 dated May 29, 2020**.
6. **Executive Decree No. 85 dated April 2, 2020**, which establishes that the Agreement for the modification of the working day, must be sent to the electronic address supplied by the Ministry of Labor, with copy of the operation notice and copy of the last payroll submitted to the Social Security.
7. **Executive Decree No. 86 dated April 2, 2020**, which enables digital platforms of the Ministry of Labor and Labor Development to receive and resolve complaints from workers.
8. **Ministry of Commerce Resolution No. 34 dated April 24, 2020**, which classifies as restricted access all information provided for safe passage certificates.
9. **Ministry of Labor COVID-19 Directive dated February 27, 2020**, which contains actions to be taken in the workplace to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
10. **Ministry of Labor Resolution DM-153 dated April 30, 2020**, which extends the validity of foreign nationals' work permits. **Extended by Resolution DM-158 dated May 29, 2020, until June 15, 2020**.
11. **National Immigration Service Resolution No. 5893 dated March 16, 2020**, which prohibits the entry of foreign nationals into the territory from March 17, 2020



12. **National Immigration Service Resolution No. 7051 dated April 29, 2020**, which extends the validity of residency permits and suspends all terms in proceedings. Extended by **Resolution No. 7538 dated May 15, 2020**, and **Resolution No. 8189 dated May 29, 2020**, until **June 7, 2020**.
13. **Social Security Administration Resolution No. 383-2020-DG dated April 3, 2020**, which suspends the generation of fines, surcharges and interest in the presentation and/ or late payment of the monthly payroll statement, for the months of February, March, April and May 2020

#### ■ **Maritime and Air Transport Regulations**

1. **Aquatic Resources Authority Resolution No. 028 dated March 19, 2020**, which extends the validity of international fishing licenses for three months from expiration, as modified by **Resolution No. 031 dated April 7, 2020**.
2. **Aquatic Resources Authority Resolution No. 029 dated March 19, 2020**, which extends the validity of artisan and riverside fishing licenses until May 31, 2020.
3. **Aquatic Resources Authority Resolution No. 030 dated March 19, 2020**, which extends the validity of interior service fishing licenses until May 31, 2020.
4. **Civil Aviation Authority Resolution No. 069-DG-DJ-AAC dated May 19, 2020**, which suspends all proceedings and administrative services before the Aviation Security Direction.
5. **Customs Resolution No. 136 dated May 25, 2020**, which establishes temporary reciprocity measures for the loading of cargo in fiscal warehouses, free trade zones and ports located in the territory of the Republic of Panama.
6. **Customs Resolution No. 137 dated May 25, 2020**, which establishes exclusive routes and customs deposits for the unloading of goods by Costa Rica's land carriers.
7. **Executive Decree No. 244 dated March 19, 2020**, which temporarily suspends all international flights, **extended by Civil Aviation Authority Resolution No. 53-DG-DJ-AAC dated April 14, 2020 and No. 68-DG-DJ-AAC dated May 14, 2020 for thirty calendar days from May 22, 2020**.
8. **Executive Decree No. 605 dated April 30, 2020**, which authorizes and regulates humanitarian flights for the duration of the National State of Emergency.
9. **Maritime Authority Resolution AMP No. 106-56-DGMM dated March 24, 2020**, which grants an extension of 90 days all patents, permits and navigation licenses.
10. **Maritime Authority Resolution AMP No. 106-57-DGMM dated March 25, 2020**, which maintains the use of electronic documents in the issuance of patents and radio licenses, extensions, free and clear certificates, cancellations and navigation permits and other documents required by the vessels of the Panamanian registry.

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11. **Maritime Authority Resolution No. 032-2020 dated March 27, 2020**, which suspends for 90 days the anchorage payment for ships in ports, berths, and grants other discounts.
12. **Maritime Authority Resolution No. 054-2020 dated March 25, 2020**, which extends Preliminary registrations of records in the Registry for 6 months.
13. **Maritime Authority Resolution No. 059-2020 dated April 22, 2020**, which authorizes the electronic filing of public deeds and preliminary registration forms; and, **Maritime Authority Note DGRPN No. 053-04-2020 dated April 24, 2020**, which sets forth the guidelines for the electronic filing of documents before the Ships Registry.
14. **Maritime Authority Resolution No. JD-030-2020 dated March 27, 2020** which grants an extension of 90 days in the payment of fees, licenses and permits.
15. **Maritime Authority Resolution No. JD-040-2020 dated April 27, 2020**, which extends operating licenses for auxiliary maritime service providers, with expiration date is between March, April and May 2020, is extended to ninety (90) additional days.
16. **Maritime Authority Resolution No. JD-041-2020 dated April 27, 2020**, which orders the Shipping Bureau to implement all the necessary actions to extend the validity of documents, the use of digital signatures and electronic documents for the proper continuity of the operation of the vessels of the Panamanian registry
17. **Maritime Authority Resolution No. JD-047-2020 dated May 14, 2020**, which suspends for 90 days the anchorage payment within jurisdictional waters for all Panamanian flagged vessels over 500 tons of gross registry and 60 days for foreign flagged vessels.
18. **Maritime Authority Resolution No. JD-048-2020 dated May 14, 2020**, which creates a special registry for ships registered in the National Merchant Marine wishing to register simultaneously a bareboat charter contract in Panama.
19. **Maritime Courts Notice dated March 20, 2020**, establishing a special schedule for urgent measures, which include arrests, injunctions and petitions to lift these.
20. **Ministry of Health Resolution No. 305 dated March 12, 2020**, which establishes sanitary measures in the embarkation and disembarkation of cruise ships, mini cruises, deep draft ships, international passenger transport such as yachts, mega yachts and yachts for commercial use or any other maritime vessel, in ports, berths, anchorage and marine areas of the national territory.
21. **National Public Health Directorate Resolution No. 1421 dated June 4, 2020**, which establishes a temporary special remote inspection procedure, for the approval of the sanitary certification of newly flagged vessels, as an exceptional measure due to the emergency situation generated by COVID-19.

## ■ Sanitary Measures

1. **Executive Decree No. 114 dated March 13, 2020**, which establishes the maximum gross margin for the sale of personal hygiene, cleaning and consumer goods. Modified by **Executive Decree No. 152 dated May**

- 13, 2020. Consumer Protection Authority Resolution No. A-022-2020 dated May 21, 2020**, establishes fines for non-compliance.
2. **Executive Decree No. 266 dated April 11, 2020**, which establishes a three-month suspension of drivers' licenses and vehicle retention to those who violate the quarantine.
  3. **Executive Decree No. 378 dated March 17, 2020**, which establishes measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19, in the Public Administration.
  4. **Executive Decree No. 472 dated March 13, 2020**, which enhances sanitary measures upon the COVID-19 Pandemic Declaration by the World Health Organization (WHO)/Pan American Health Organization (PAHO).
  5. **Executive Decree No. 489 dated March 16, 2020**, which approves additional sanitary measures to reduce, mitigate and control the spread of COVID-19.
  6. **Executive Decree No. 490 dated March 17, 2020**, orders a mandatory curfew in the Republic of Panama, which has been ratified by **Executive Decree No. 505 dated March 23, 2020**, and **Executive Decree No. 507 dated March 24, 2020**, in turn enhanced by **Executive Decree No. 513 dated March 27, 2020**.
  7. **Executive Decree No. 499 dated March 19, 2020**, which declares Epidemic zones subject to sanitary control in the provinces of Panama, Panama Oeste and Colon.
  8. **Executive Decree No. 504 dated March 23, 2020**, which establishes provisions on quarantine and isolation measures that are ordered for people diagnosed as a suspected or positive COVID-19 cases.
  9. **Ministry of Health Executive Decree No. 504 dated March 23, 2020**, which establishes a sanitary control zone in the district of Chiriquí Grande and in certain communities within the districts of Changuinola and Bocas del Toro, in the province of Bocas del Toro.
  10. **Ministry of Health Resolution No. 300 dated March 10, 2020**, which approves the General Guidelines and Recommendations for the prevention and control of COVID-19.
  11. **Ministry of Health Resolution No. 303 dated March 10, 2020**, which activates COVID-19 hot line 169 of the Ministry of Health, as health measure for the prevention and control of the disease.
  12. **Ministry of Health Resolution No. 360 dated March 30, 2020**, which establishes citizen mobility measures in the national territory, aimed at controlling and mitigating the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic, in accordance to gender and the last number of the national id card or passport.
  13. **Ministry of Health Resolution No. 492 dated June 6, 2020**, which restricts citizen mobility in the provinces of Panama and Panama Oeste, aimed at controlling and mitigating the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic, in accordance to gender and the last number of the national id card or passport.
  14. **Ministry of Health Technical Council Resolution No. 17 dated May 8, 2020**, which implements the application of technology in the processing of applications for medical licenses, operating licenses and other matters during the National State of Emergency generated by COVID-19.

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15. **Ministry of the Presidency Executive Decree No. 466 dated June 5, 2020**, which adopts the public sector protocol to preserve hygiene and health in the workplace for the prevention of COVID-19.
16. **Municipal Council of Panama Agreement No. 80 dated April 28, 2020**, which imposes sanctions for violating the COVID-19 curfew and lockdown.
17. **National Energy Secretariat Resolution No. 4730 dated April 23, 2020**, which establishes a procedure for the temporal closure of fuel service stations in the Republic of Panama.
18. **National Public Health Directorate Resolution No. 1420 dated June 1, 2020**, which orders the obligatory use of facemasks in the Republic of Panama.