

**The adjustment of the designation of zoning areas
to prevent the spread of COVID-19**



Maximum and Strict Controlled Area (4 provinces)
Bangkok, Nonthaburi, Pathum Thani, Samut Prakarn

Maximum Controlled Area (17 provinces)
Kanchanaburi, Chon Buri, Chachoengsao, Tak, Nakhon Pathom, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Narathiwat, Prachuap Khiri Khan, Phra Nakhon Si Ayutthaya, Phetchaburi, Yala, Ranong, Rayong, Ratchaburi, Samut Sakhon, Songkhla, Surat Thani

Controlled Area (56 provinces)
Krabai, Kalasin, Kamphaeng Phet, Khon Kaen, Chanthaburi, Chaiyaphum, Chai Nat, Chumpon, Chiang Rai, Chiang Mai, Trang, Trat, Nakhon Nayok, Nakhon Phanom, Nakhon Ratchasima, Nakhon Sawan, Nan, Nong Khai, Bueng Kan, Buriram, Prachinburi, Pattani, Phang Nga, Phatthalung, Phayao, Phichit, Phitsanulok, Phetchabun, Prae, Phuket, Maha Sarakham, Mukdahan, Mae Hong Son, Yasothorn, Roi Et, Lopburi, Lampang, Lamphun, Loei, Sisaket, Sakon Nakhon, Satun, Sa Kaeo, Saraburi, Samut Songkram, Sing Buri, Sukhothai, Suphanburi, Surin, Nong Bua Lamphu, Ang Thong, Udon Thani, Uttaradit, Uthai Thani, Ubon Ratchathani, Amnat Charoen

in effect from 17 May 2021 onwards

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Prime Minister General Prayut Chan-o-cha on 15 May 2021 issued a new regulation easing restrictions on control measures against COVID-19.

he regulation (No. 23), which was published in the Royal Gazette on the same day, was issued under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005). It will be in effect from 17 May 2021.

According to the regulation, people are still required to wear surgical masks or cloth masks while outside of their dwelling places or in public places in order to reduce the risk of COVID-19 infection.

The adjustment of the designation of zoning areas for the enforcement of integrated control measures corresponding to each control zone is as follows:

(1) Maximum and Strict COVID-19 Control Zone consists of four provinces, namely Bangkok, Nonthaburi, Pathum Thani, and Samut Prakan. Restaurants in this zone will be able to receive dine-in customers until 9 p.m., with a limited number of customers (not more than 25 percent of total seats). They may receive takeaway orders until 11 p.m. Consumption of liquor and alcoholic beverages in restaurants is prohibited. All educational institutions, however, are not allowed to use their buildings and premises for teaching or conducting activities with many people.

(2) Maximum COVID-19 Control Zone comprises 17 provinces. Restaurants in this zone will be able to receive dine-in customers until 11 p.m. Consumption of liquor and alcoholic beverages in restaurants is prohibited. All educational institutions are allowed to use their buildings and premises for teaching and conducting various activities with many people, as necessary.

(3) COVID-19 Control Zone comprises 56 provinces. Restaurants in this zone can open as usual. But consumption of liquor and alcoholic beverages in restaurants is prohibited. All educational institutions are allowed to use their buildings and premises for teaching and conducting various activities, as

appropriate.

The Center for COVID-19 Situation Administration (CCSA) was instructed to support the joint operations between the Ministry of Public Health, the Ministry of Interior, and other relevant agencies in the distribution of COVID-19 vaccines and registration for vaccinations in order to accelerate vaccination against the disease.

Responsible officials were instructed to step up their operations against the illegal entry into the country to prevent the spread of this pandemic.

Regarding working outside the office, head of government agencies and entities, business owners or private sector operators were urged to continue to implement maximum measures to reduce the amount of travelling done by officials and personnel under their responsibility in order to prevent and reduce the risk of infection for a period of at least fourteen days. These measures may include working outside the office, reducing the number of persons at the office, alternating working days and shifts, or any other methods as appropriate but adequate to the mission of providing public services.