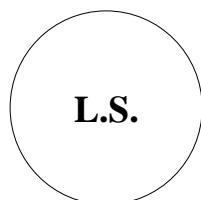


Legal Notice No. 11 of 2020

ST HELENA



PUBLIC HEALTH ORDINANCE, 1939

***PUBLIC HEALTH (PREVENTION OF FORMIDABLE DISEASES (CORONAVIRUS))
REGULATIONS, 2020***

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 49 of the Public Health Ordinance, 1939, the Governor in Council makes the following Regulations:

Citation and expiry

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Public Health (Prevention of Formidable Diseases) Regulations, 2020 and shall cease to have effect at the end of the period of two years beginning on the day on which the Regulations come into force.

(2) Subsection (1) does not affect the validity of anything done pursuant to these Regulations before the Regulations cease to have effect.

Interpretation

2. (1) In these Regulations—
“**accommodation**” includes a private dwelling or accommodation for which payment is exchanged or expected to be exchanged;

“**Coronavirus**” means—

- (a) Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19 or 2019-nCoV);
- (b) Acute Respiratory Disease ((2019-nCoV ARD);
- (c) Novel Coronavirus Pneumonia (NCP); or
- (d) a known viral respiratory disease caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2”);

“**isolation**” in relation to a person, means the separation of the person from any other person in such a manner as to prevent infection or contamination with Coronavirus—

- (a) at the person’s home;
- (b) at a hospital; or
- (c) at another suitable place as directed by a proper officer;

“**proper officer**” means a person appointed as such pursuant to section 3A of the Port and Aerodrome Ordinance, 2018.

Isolation upon entry

4. (1) A person who enters St Helena by aircraft or by ship must stay in isolation for a period of 14 days after the date upon which the person arrived.

(2) If a proper officer considers that the accommodation of a person entering St Helena is unsuitable for isolation, the proper officer may direct the person to a place that the proper officer considers fit for the purpose of isolation.

(3) A direction under sub-regulation (2) may be made by a proper officer orally or in writing.

(4) If a person entering St Helena considers that the accommodation at which the person resides or expects to reside is unsuitable for the purpose of isolation, the person must obtain the direction of a proper officer.

(5) The Director of Health may direct that the period specified for isolation may be increased or decreased.

(6) The Governor in Council may by Order exempt a person or category of person from the requirement for isolation under this Regulation.

Detention


5. (1) A person who fails to comply with the requirements of these Regulations may be detained and placed in isolation by a proper officer or police officer and this must be approved in writing by the Director of Health within 12 hours.

Offences

6. A person who fails to comply with the requirements of these Regulations commits an offence.

Penalty: A fine of £5,000.

Made by the Governor in Council this 20th day of March 2020.



Connie C Johnson
Clerk of Councils

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations would require a proper officer to produce identification if necessary in the performance of the proper officer's duties and would make it mandatory for a person to stay in isolation upon entry and provide for an application to be made to order isolation if a person contravenes this requirement.