

COVID-19

Italian Prime Minister Decree of 10 April 2020

Rules on movements within the Italian territory and on entries from abroad

The Italian Prime Minister Decree of 10 April 2020, which entered into force on 14 April 2020, extended until 3 May 2020 the application of the urgent measures to tackle the COVID-19 emergency throughout the Italian territory.

MOVEMENTS ON THE ITALIAN TERRITORY

Only movements justified by work or health reasons or reasons of necessity, as specified in earlier measures, will be allowed.

Except for the reasons mentioned above, it is prohibited to leave one's city or town of residence using public means of transport and to leave one's principal residence, including to go to one's vacation home.

Demonstrations, events and shows, including cultural, entertainment, sports, religious events and trade fairs, in public or private locations, will continue to be suspended.

All meetings will be held via conference call.

As regards retail sale activities, only shops selling food and basic necessities (as identified in annex 1 to the Decree) may continue to do business; these include local shops and medium-/large-sized retail stores, including those located in shopping malls provided that access is limited to such activities and that the 3-foot safety distance is observed.

ENTRY INTO ITALY FROM ABROAD

As already provided by Decree of the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport of 28 March 2020, the new Decree allows the entry of travelers into Italy by airline, maritime, lake, railway or land transport, including own means of transport, provided that upon departure the individuals concerned inform the carrier or – if they are using own means of

transport – the prevention department of the Healthcare Authority responsible for the place of entry into the national territory, of:

- ◆ the reasons for travel (i.e., the work or health reasons or the reasons of necessity which justified the trip);
- ◆ the full address of the location in Italy where the traveler will complete his/her health surveillance and self-quarantine period (*isolamento fiduciario*, as explained below) and the means of transport used to reach such destination;
- ◆ the landline or mobile phone numbers where the traveler can be reached throughout the health surveillance and self-quarantine period.

ISOLAMENTO FIDUCIARIO – SELF-QUARANTINE

Anyone entering Italy is required to inform the prevention department of the local Healthcare authority of their arrival, whether or not they show any symptoms, and will be subject to a health surveillance and self-quarantine period (*isolamento fiduciario*) for a period of fourteen days at the place specified upon departure; if they show any symptoms of COVID-19, they are required to promptly report the change in circumstances to the healthcare authority using the dedicated phone numbers.

TRANSIT AND SHORT-TERM STAY

The new Decree provides that it is possible for anyone to pass through or stay in Italy for work reasons and for a period not exceeding 72 hours (which may be extended by an additional 48 hours for justified reasons).

In addition to the above reporting obligations, the following additional requirements apply:

- ◆ at the end of the established period, travelers will be required to immediately leave the Italian territory or, if they fail to do so, to start the 14-day health surveillance or self-quarantine period at the specified location;
- ◆ in the event that travelers show any symptoms of COVID-19, they will promptly report the change in circumstances to the healthcare authority using the dedicated phone numbers and, pending a decision from the authority, shall go into self-isolation.

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