

A.L. 106 tal-2022

**ATT DWAR IS-SAHHA PUBBLIKA
(KAP. 465)**

**Regolamenti tal-2022 li jemendaw ir-Regolamenti dwar l-Użu
Mandatorju ta' Maskri Mediċi jew tad-Drapp (Emenda Nru 2)**

BIS-SAHHA tas-setgħat mogħtija bl-artikoli 26 u 27(ċ) tal-Att dwar is-Saħħa Pubblika, il-Ministru responsabbli għas-saħħa pubblika, wara konsultazzjoni mas-Suprintendent tas-Saħħa Pubblika, għamel dawn ir-regolamenti li ġejjin:-

1. (1) It-titolu ta' dawn ir-regolamenti hu r-Regolamenti tal-2022 li jemendaw ir-Regolamenti dwar l-Uża Mandatorju ta' Maskri Mediċi jew tad-Drapp (Emenda Nru 2) u dawn ir-regolamenti għandhom jinqraw u jinftiehm u haġa waħda mar-Regolamenti dwar l-Użu Mandatorju ta' Maskri Mediċi jew tad-Drapp, hawn iżjed 'il quddiem imsejha "r-regolamenti prinċipali".

Titolu u bidu
fis-seħh.

L.S. 465.48.

(2) Dawn ir-regolamenti għandhom jidhlu fis-seħh fl-14 ta' Marzu 2022:

Iżda r-regolamenti prinċipali li qegħdin jiġu emendati bis-saħħa ta' dawn ir-regolamenti għandhom jitqiesu li għandhom fis-seħh, inkluż wara l-14 ta' Marzu 2022, għall-finijiet ta' kull att, deċiżjoni, azzjoni jew proċeduri meħuda fir-rigward ta' xi ksur ta' daww l-istess regolamenti.

2. Ir-regolament 2 tar-regolamenti prinċipali għandu jiġi sostitwit bir-regolament ġdid li ġej:

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tar-regolamenti
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"2. (1) Kull persuna għandha, meta tmur f'post fil-magħluq, tilbes maskra medika jew tad-drapp jew visor b'mod xieraq li tgħatti l-immieher, il-ħalq u l-geddum tal-persuna:

Iżda l-użu obbligatorju ta' maskri mediċi jew tad-drapp jew visors ma għandux japplika għal djar privati jew vetturi privati:

Iżda wkoll individwi li jkunu f'avveniment tal-massa, kemm jekk ġewwa u kif ukoll barra, għandhom jilbsu maskra medika jew tad-drapp jew visor b'mod xieraq li tgħatti l-immieher, il-ħalq u l-geddum tal-persuna:

Iżda wkoll l-individwi li ġejjin għandhom ikunu eżentati mir-rekwiżit li jilbsu maskra tal-wiċċ:

(a) tfal sat-tliet (3) snin;

(b) persuni b'impedimenti konjittivi, fiżiċi, mentali jew respiratorji severi li għandhom diffikultajiet biex jittolleraw maskra kif iċċertifikat minn tabib liċenzjat, f'liema każ tali individwi għandhom f'kull hin iġorru ċ-ċertifikat mediku rilevanti li jeżentahom milli jilbsu maskra.

(2) Mingħajr preġudizzju għas-subregolament (1), it-tneħħija temporanja ta' maskri tal-wiċċ għandha tkun permissibbli fis-sitwazzjonijiet li ġejjin:

(a) fil-każ ta' tfal li jattendu l-*kindergarten*, waqt li jkunu fil-klassi;

(b) waqt attività fiżika li tinvolvi intensità għolja;

(ċ) meta jiġi mitkellem jew tingħata għajnuna lil kwalunkwe individwu li jiddependi fuq il-qari tax-xufftejn biex jikkomunika;

(d) waqt taħdit uffiċjali fil-pubbliku iżda għandha tinzamm distanza fiżika ta' mill-inqas żewġ (2) metri bejn l-individwi:

Iżda lezzjonijiet jew lekkers ġewwa skejjel, universitajiet jew stabbilimenti edukattivi oħra ma għandhomx jiġu interpretati bħala taħdit uffiċjali fil-pubbliku;

(e) jekk mitlub għal skopijiet ta' identifikazzjoni, inkluż fil-banek, fl-ajruport jew f'port marittimu jew minn uffiċjali tal-infurzar tal-liġi;

(f) biex tirċievi kwalunkwe trattament jew servizz mediku jew kożmetiku li jinvolvi l-wiċċ jew il-ħalq;

(g) biex tiegħu medikazzjoni;

(h) meta tkun bilqiegħda fi stabbilimenti fejn jiġi servut ikel u xorb; jew

(i) meta jkun meħtieġ waqt il-konsum ta' ikel jew xorb:

Iżda fil-każ imsemmi fil-paragrafu (i), it-tneħħija temporanja ta' maskri tal-wiċċ ma għandhiex tkun permissibbli waqt li persuna tkun qiegħda miexja."

L.N. 106 of 2022

**PUBLIC HEALTH ACT
(CAP. 465)**

**Mandatory Use of Medical or Cloth
Masks (Amendment No. 2) Regulations, 2022**

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by articles 26 and 27(c) of the Public Health Act, the Minister responsible for public health after consultation with the Superintendent of Public Health, has made the following regulations:-

1. (1) The title of these regulations is the Mandatory Use of Medical or Cloth Masks (Amendment No. 2) Regulations, 2022 and these regulations shall be read and construed as one with the Mandatory Use of Medical or Cloth Masks Regulations, hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations".

Citation and commencement.
S.L. 465.48.

(2) These regulations shall come into force on 14 March 2022:

Provided that the principal regulations which are being amended by virtue of these regulations shall be deemed to be still in force, even after the 14 March 2022, for the purposes of any act, decision, action or proceedings taken in respect of any breach of those regulations.

2. Regulation 2 of the principal regulations shall be substituted by the following new regulation:

Substitutes regulation 2 of the principal regulations.

"2. (1) Any person shall, when going to an indoor place, wear a medical or cloth mask or visor in a proper manner covering the nose, mouth and chin of the person:

Provided that the mandatory use of medical or cloth masks or visors shall not apply to private homes or private vehicles:

Provided further that individuals in a mass event, whether indoors or outdoors, shall wear a medical or cloth mask or visor in a proper manner covering the nose, mouth and chin of the person:

Provided further that the following individuals shall be exempt from the requirement to wear a face mask:

(a) children up to three (3) years of age;

(b) persons with severe cognitive, physical, mental or respiratory impairments who have difficulties tolerating a mask as certified by a licensed medical practitioner, in which case such individuals shall at all times carry the relevant medical certificate exempting them from wearing a mask.

(2) Without prejudice to sub-regulation (1), the temporary removal of face masks shall be permissible in the following situations:

(a) in the case of children attending kindergarten, while in the classroom;

(b) during high intensity physical activity;

(c) when speaking or providing assistance to any individual who relies on lip reading to communicate;

(d) during official public speaking provided that a physical distance of at least two (2) metres between individual is maintained:

Provided that the delivery of lessons or lectures in schools, universities or other education establishments shall not be construed as official public speaking;

(e) if requested to for identification purposes, including at banks, at the airport or seaport or by law enforcement officials;

(f) to receive any medical or cosmetic treatment or service involving the face or mouth;

(g) to take medication;

(h) when seated at establishments where food and drink is served; or

(i) when necessary during the consumption of food or drink:

Provided that in the case mentioned in paragraph (i), the temporary removal of face masks shall not be permissible while a person is walking."
