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REGULATIONS made by the Governor-General in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 18(9) of the Belize Constitution, Chapter 4 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2011, and all other powers thereunto him enabling.

(Gazetted 2nd November, 2020).

1. These Regulations may be cited as the

Citation.

BELIZE CONSTITUTION (EMERGENCY POWERS) (SANTA CRUZ VILLAGE, STANN CREEK DISTRICT AND BELLA VISTA VILLAGE, TOLDEO DISTRICT) REGULATIONS, 2020.

2. For the purposes of these Regulations—

Interpretation.

“emergency area” means the area declared to be under a public state of emergency under the Proclamation;

“liquor” has the meaning given under section 2 of the Intoxicating Liquor Licensing Act;

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“Minister” means the Minister responsible for National Security;

“Proclamation” means the Proclamation made by the Governor-General under section 18 of the Belize Constitution declaring that a state of public emergency exists in Santa Cruz Village, Stann Creek, Village and Bella Vista Village, Toledo District; and

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“security forces” means any member of the Coast Guard, Belize Police Department, or Belize Defence Force.

Curfew.

3.—(1) For the purposes of preventing, controlling, containing and suppressing the spread of the infectious disease COVID-19 and maintaining peace and public order, a curfew is hereby imposed during the hours of eight o’clock p.m. until four fifty-nine a.m. of the following morning for the emergency area, during the period of public emergency declared by Proclamation.

(2) For the purposes of sub-regulation (1), no person shall be on the streets or in any public place nor on any public road between the hours specified in that sub-regulation.

(3) Sub-regulations (1) and (2) shall not apply to members, who are on duty, of the security forces, Customs and Excise Department, Department of Immigration Services only, any frontline health care provider on duty working for the Ministry responsible for health (including hospitals which are statutory bodies).

(4) Sub-regulations (1) and (2) shall not apply to persons transiting through Santa Cruz Village, Stann Creek District or Bella Vista Village, Toledo District.

**Prohibition
on the sale of
liquor.**

4. For the purposes of preventing, controlling, containing and suppressing the spread of the infectious disease COVID-19, no person shall sell liquor during the period of public emergency declared by Proclamation.

**Offence and
penalty.**

5.—(1) Every person who contravenes any of the provisions of these Regulations or incites or attempts to incite any other person to contravene any of these Regulations commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) or to imprisonment for two (2) years.

(2) A person convicted of a second or subsequent offence under these Regulations is liable to imprisonment for a period of two years.

(3) It shall be the duty of every member of the security forces to enforce, using force if necessary, compliance with these Regulations and with any order, rules, instruction or condition lawfully made, given or imposed by any officer or other person under the authority of this regulation, and for such purpose any member of the security forces may enter any premises, board any ship or aircraft, without a warrant.

(4) Any member of the security forces may arrest, without a warrant, any person whom he has reasonable cause to believe to have committed any offence against these Regulations or any order, rules instruction or condition lawfully made, given or imposed by any officer or other person under the authority of this regulation.

6. For the avoidance of doubt, the Quarantine (Prevention of the Spread of Infectious Disease) (COVID-19) Regulations continues to apply to the emergency area.

7. These Regulations shall have effect during the period of public emergency.

MADE by His Excellency the Governor-General Sir Colville N. Young this 2nd day of November, 2020.



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