

From Fedhasa

This confirms our understanding and interpretation of the regulations

Dear Fellow Members,

The priority for the hospitality industry, and FEDHASA, remains the health and safety of employees, guests and the South African public. To this end, we are working closely with government and the relevant authorities to assist, as far as is in our power, to prevent the further spread of this pandemic.

The current measures in place, including earlier closing times for certain establishments, is viewed as a measure for limiting the spread of Coronavirus and serve as an early intervention that will hopefully allow us to avoid further closures.

These regulations stipulate:

All on-consumption premises selling liquor – including taverns, restaurants and clubs – may accommodate no more than 50 persons including staff. This is provided that adequate space is available and that all directions in respect of hygienic conditions and limitation of exposure to persons with COVID-19, are adhered to. This will also affect the accommodation sector, including small accommodation establishments. No special or event liquor licenses may be considered for approval during the duration of the national state of disaster.

All establishments selling liquor must be closed from 18:00 and 09:00 on weekdays and Saturdays, or from 13:00 on Sundays and public holidays. The current legal opinion is that establishments may continue to trade during these hours, but they may not serve liquor under the above regulations.

To view the Disaster Management Act, please below (refer section 8)

<http://fedhasa.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Disaster-Management-Act.-2020.-Regulations-March-2020.pdf>

FEDHASA will communicate further details as they are announced.

Hospitality Greetings

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