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Decree of the President of the Council of Ministers 26 April 2020 'Further provisions implementing the Decree-Law of 23 February 2020, n. 6 on urgent containment and management measures of the epidemiological emergency from COVID-19, applicable on the whole of the national territory'. (OJ N. 108 of 27-4-2020)

This is an overview of the **main changes that apply from May 4 to May 17.**

1. Factories and construction sites

As regards factories, every business in the manufacturing sector and in constructions will be allowed to open up on 4 May, provided that they comply with the protocol on workers' safety which the government signed with business associations and the Unions on 24 April.

All businesses are still recommended to resort to smart working as much as possible, for any activity which is not directly related to industrial production.

You will find below the amended list of economic activities exempted from the lockdown, updating the Prime Minister's Decree of 10 April 2020.

2. Monitoring of the contagion spread and possible lockdown of specific areas

Basing on the data shared by Regions with the Ministry of Health on a day-by-day basis, the task force of scientific experts will assess the contagion spread throughout the country.

Whenever the evidence suggests that the contagion risk is posing a significant threat to public healthcare in a specific area (according to criteria that are still to be set by the Minister of Health) **the President of the relevant Region will propose, and the Minister of Health will subsequently adopt restrictions on productive activities in the relevant area** (which may well be a sub-regional area, not the whole Region).

3. Other restrictions to be lifted on 4 May

Circulation of people

We can confirm that circulation of people within the Region where they live is allowed for proven work reasons, for health reasons and for other proven needs, plus (this is the only real change) to visit their relatives. **Circulation of people from one Region to another is only allowed for proven work reasons, for health reasons and for urgent needs.**

This means that going forward **it will still be mandatory for anyone who is checked by the Police to submit a self-declaration stating the reason for which he/she has left his/her home.**

We can also confirm that it will be possible for anyone to leave their homes to go walking (while staying at a distance of at least 1 meter from anyone else) or jogging (while staying at a distance of at least 2 meters from anyone else), and that public parks will be re-opened unless Mayors decide otherwise.

Instead elderly people and those with chronic diseases/multiple conditions are recommended to stay home.

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Wearing a protective mask will be mandatory in all closed-door places which are open to the public, including buses and trains as well as shops.

All religious as well as civil ceremonies remain suspended. This includes religious services – very much to the discontent of the Catholic Church (the Conference of Italian Bishops gave a negative remark yesterday on the measures announced by Conte).

Sports

Sports events are suspended, as before, but **closed-door training sessions for professional and non-professional athletes who practice individual sports will be resumed.**

Retail shops

For the time being (i.e. until 17 May), the list of retail shops that may stay open will not change, with the only exception of those selling flowers, plants, seeds, and fertilisers; therefore, any other retail shop will be under the lockdown regime as before.

Bars, pubs and restaurants will still be closed, but may operate if they provide delivery/takeaway services.

All shops are still under an obligation to comply with the minimum distance rule (1 meter).

4. Travelling into Italy: no change for the time being

As before, **anyone entering Italy from abroad shall be placed in quarantine for 14 days, with the exception of those who come to Italy for proven work reason and stay for maximum 5 days** and those who travel across Italy towards a final destination abroad and stay for max. 36 hours.

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5. Additional protocols

As mentioned above, businesses will be allowed to resume their activities provided that they ensure compliance with the general workers' safety protocol.

In addition to that, other protocols will apply to specific sectors:

Safety protocol applying to construction sites

The measures laid down by this protocol broadly resemble those laid down by the general workers' safety protocol signed on 24 April.

In addition, construction sites with more than 250 workers shall be equipped with a healthcare facility.

Also, employers shall provide their workers not only with the necessary protective devices, but also with new work clothing.

Works may be rescheduled so as to mitigate the contagion risk stemming from social gathering. Under certain circumstances (e.g. when the company that manages a construction site is not able to provide all its workers with masks and other protective devices, or when one or more workers are tested positive and the other workers in a construction site must be placed in quarantine) works shall be suspended and the company shall be exempted from any civil liability deriving from the delay in completing the works.

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Safety protocol applying to transport and logistics

This protocol foresees a number of basic safety measures applying to the whole transport and logistics sectors and some specific precautions for each kind of transport.

All companies operating in transport and logistics should take all appropriate measures to enforce social distancing, require that both employees and passengers wear protective equipment especially where social distancing cannot be ensured, and frequently sanitise their means of transportation. The protocol also recommends minimising direct contact with passengers and clients, resorting to shifts for employees when possible. Especially drivers/train conductors/aircraft pilots/ships' crew must be separated from other employees and passengers. As regards public transport, the protocol suggests suspending or reducing the sale of tickets and ticket inspecting activities to limit the number of passengers per vehicle.

In the railway sector, the protocol recommends restricting the number of people allowed in waiting areas so as to avoid gatherings.

The protocol will be *"automatically integrated or amended by the decisions taken by the Ministry of Health and the World Health Organisation"*.

Safety protocol applying to public transport

It will be mandatory for all public transport companies to sanitise all buses and trains and to make sure that the capacity of buses and trains is limited so as to mitigate the contagion risk. To this purposes, public transport companies shall set a **maximum number of passengers for every bus/train**.

Also, it will be mandatory for anyone to wear surgical masks when using public transport means of any kind.

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**Decree of the Prime Minister of 26 April 2020: exemptions from the lockdown
(applying from 4 May)**

Annex I

List of retail shops allowed to remain open

Hypermarkets, supermarkets, mini-markets, discount food stores
Retail stores selling frozen products
Non-specialised retail stores selling computers, peripherals, equipment for telecommunications, electrical appliances, consumer electronics
Specialised retail stores selling food, beverages, tobacco
Gas stations
Specialised retail stores selling ICT products
Retail stores selling hardware, paint, electric and thermohydraulic equipment, float glass
Retail stores selling sanitary equipment
Retail stores selling lighting equipment
Kiosks and other shops selling newspapers and magazines
Pharmacies and other shops specialized in non-prescription drugs (so-called parapharmacies)
Retail stores selling medical supplies/orthopaedic equipment
Retail stores selling perfumes and other products for personal hygiene
Retail stores selling articles for small pets
Opticians
Retail stores selling heating fuel
Retail stores selling soaps, detergents, cleaning and polishing products
Retail sale of any product online or teleshopping or by mail/phone
Retail sale of products through vending machines
Sale of paper, cardboard, and stationary products
Retail sale of books
Retail sale of clothing for children and babies
Retail sale of flowers, plants, seeds, and fertilisers

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Annex II

List of personal services allowed to remain open

Dry-cleaning
Industrial laundry
Other types of laundry
Funeral homes and related activities

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Annex III

Economic activities (other than retail shops and personal services) that are exempted from the lockdown

| ATECO | Description |
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| 01 | Crop production and animal products, hunting and related services |
| 02 | Forestry and logging activities |
| 03 | Fishery and aquaculture |
| 05 | Coal mining |
| 06 | Crude oil and natural gas extraction |
| 07 | Ore extraction |
| 08 | Other mineral extraction activities from caves and mines |
| 09 | Services supporting oil and natural gas extraction |
| 10 | Food industry |
| 11 | Beverage industry |
| 12 | Tobacco industry |
| 13 | Textile industry |
| 14 | Manufacturing of clothing |
| 15 | Manufacturing of leather items and similar items |
| 16 | Manufacturing of wood and cork products (except for furniture); manufacturing of articles in woven straw and other plaiting material |
| 17 | Manufacturing of paper |
| 18 | Printing and reproduction of recorded media |
| 19 | Manufacturing of coke and refined products |
| 20 | Production of chemicals |
| 21 | Manufacturing of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations |
| 22 | Manufacturing of rubber and plastic products |
| 23 | Manufacturing of other products from the processing of non-metallic minerals |
| 24 | Metallurgy |
| 25 | Manufacturing of metal products except for machinery and equipment |
| 26 | Manufacturing of computers, electronics, and optical products; electromedical equipment, measuring devices, and watchmaking |
| 27 | Manufacturing of electrical appliances and non-electrical home appliances |
| 28 | Manufacturing of machinery and equipment not classified |
| 29 | Manufacturing of cars, trailers, and semi-trailers |
| 30 | Manufacturing of other means of transportation |
| 31 | Manufacturing of furniture |
| 32 | Other manufacturing industries |

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| ATECO | Description |
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| 33 | Repair, maintenance, and installation of machinery and equipment |
| 35 | Supply of electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning |
| 36 | Water collection, treatment, and supply |
| 37 | Management of the sewage network |
| 38 | Waste collection, treatment, and disposal; recovery of materials |
| 39 | Remediation activities and other waste management services |
| 41 | Construction of buildings |
| 42 | Civil engineering |
| 43 | Specialised construction |
| 45 | Wholesale and retail trade and repair of cars and motorcycles |
| 46 | Wholesale trade except for cars and motorcycles |
| 49 | Land transport and pipeline transport |
| 50 | Sea and water transport |
| 51 | Air transport |
| 52 | Warehousing and transport support activities |
| 53 | Postal and courier services |
| 55.1 | Hotels and similar facilities |
| 58 | Publishing |
| 59 | Film, video, and TV programme production |
| 60 | Programming and broadcasting |
| 61 | Telecommunications |
| 62 | Software production, IT consulting, and related activities |
| 63 | Information services and other IT services |
| 64 | Financial services (except for insurance and pension funds) |
| 65 | Insurance, reinsurance, and pension funds (except for compulsory social insurance) |
| 66 | Auxiliary financial and insurance activities |
| 68 | Real estate |
| 69 | Legal and accounting activities |
| 70 | Management and management consulting activities |
| 71 | Architectural and engineering firms; testing and technical analyses |
| 72 | Scientific research and development |
| 73 | Advertisement and market research |
| 74 | Professional, scientific, and technical activities |
| 75 | Veterinary services |
| 78 | HR |
| 80 | Surveillance and investigation services |
| 81.2 | Cleaning and disinfection |
| 81.3 | Landscape conservation and maintenance (including parks, gardens, and flowerbeds) |

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| ATECO | Description |
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| 82 | Support activities for offices and other support activities for |
| 84 | Public administration and defence; compulsory social insurance |
| 85 | Education |
| 86 | Healthcare |
| 87 | Residential welfare |
| 88 | Non-residential welfare |
| 94 | Organisations and associations |
| 95 | Repair of computers, personal goods, and household goods |
| 97 | Activities of households as employers of domestic staff |
| 99 | Extraterritorial organisations and bodies |