

Will I be able to leave my house to exercise or walk my dog?

We all want clarity on this question and we should get it in tomorrow's security cluster briefing.

Will I be able to leave the house to go to the supermarket?

Yes, you will be able to go to the supermarket should you require groceries. You will also be able to seek medical care, visit the pharmacy, get petrol, access banking services, and collect a social grant.

No specific mention was made of NPOs who supply meals (primarily for hunger need & medicine control) food parcels etc into informal settlements... will these fall under Emergency Services?

In the briefing by Social Development Lindiwe Zulu, she said that NPO's would be declared essential services and will continue their vital work.

Can a lockdown period be extended?

Yes the lockdown period can be extended. When it's complete and if we have started to flatten the curve of infections, our freedom of movement will be returned to us. If, however, it does not then the lockdown will most likely be lengthened.

Will students who have to study via online learning be accommodated by cell phone operators to receive data/free access to learning resources?

[Vodacom](#)'s e-learning portal for Gr R-12 learners is free to access and zero-rated for Vodacom data usage. The MTN Foundation has sponsored access to the [Siyavula Foundation](#) curriculum for Gr 10-12 learners and has made browsing zero rated on the MTN network. [Some universities](#) have arranged zero-rating of their e-learning portals with mobile carriers. More announcements are expected follow in respect of e-learning access and data packages.

Are internet providers considered an essential service?

Minister of Trade and Industry, Ebrahim Patel said that online connectivity is crucial during the lockdown and workers would be exempt to ensure it operates smoothly.

What happens if we have water leaks or power outage in home. Are service providers allowed to be called in?

All emergency staff related to power and water will remain available to assist with problems

Refuse removal services by municipalities to continue?

Yes, this is considered an essential service and will continue to operate

Will the military properly "confront" a riot/mob if required? Rubber bullets or the real thing?

The military do not carry rubber bullets. They will be assisting the police to quickly confront these kinds of situations. Their presence alone should greatly help reduce the risk of this kind of event.

How are the authorities going to 'strictly control' movement out of the house to be able to buy groceries, go to clinic or pharmacy, to the bank or just for fuel at a filling station?

There are likely to be road closures and lots of road-blocks. This will come down to self-management and discipline and recognising a common good.

I was in Estonia for 14 days before arriving back in CT midnight 17 March. I am in self isolation - do I have to present myself for screening?

You should first inform your healthcare provider telephonically, they will be able to advise you one what to do. Alternatively you can call the national hotline on 0800 029 999

Will clinics only be open for emergencies or will normal appointments still take place e.g. babies having scheduled inoculations?

Technically, yes. But there are big diversions of staff to the Covid-19 efforts. I would call the clinic beforehand to check. Gauteng, for example, has cancelled elective surgeries in the public sector.

Will families currently outside SA and returning by international flights after 26 March be put into quarantine upon their return? If so, where is this likely to be?

All returning South African citizens will be placed into mandatory quarantine for 14 days. The government is currently setting up quarantine zones and we will keep you updated

I am moving house on Saturday 28th so can I do this ... can't pay rent at two places?

Check with your local councillor. It is unlikely that you will be allowed to move during the lockdown.

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