# Guidelines and measures Taken by Rio de Janeiro City Hall to avoid the spread of Covid-19

## Thematic area: Public Order

### March 13th

**The City of Rio de Janeiro enters the Attention Stage**

| 157 suspected cases | 38 confirmed cases | 0 deaths |

- Refusal to grant licenses for events that cause large agglomerations. Licenses already granted will be canceled from March 16
- Recommendation for the population to avoid attending private cinemas and theaters
- Recommendation of alternative work shifts for companies, in order to avoid overcrowding in public transport. Whenever possible, establish home office

### March 17th

**The City of Rio de Janeiro in the Attention Stage**

| 189 suspected cases | 60 confirmed cases | 0 deaths |

- Streets partially destined to leisure will start to function normally for vehicles. They will no longer be closed on weekends and holidays
- Closure of 15 urban parks and 13 municipal parks, on weekends, closing of leisure areas throughout the city, such as on the waterfront.
- Streets destined for leisure areas start to function normally
- Request to bars and restaurants to restrict capacity by 50%, with tables apart from each other
- Request for sports clubs, summer camps and gyms to remain closed
- Request to the Municipal Guard to guide people to not go the beaches or agglomerate in those areas
- Seizure of bottles of alcohol without provenance that were being marketed by irregular street vendors

### March 19th

**The City of Rio de Janeiro in Emergency Situation**

| 205 suspected cases | 63 confirmed cases | 0 deaths |

- Closing of nightclubs
- Request to the City Council, on an exceptional basis, to reduce the shifts of the Municipal Guard from 12h by 60h to 12h by 36h, in order to increase the number of municipal guards circulating in the streets
- Disposal of the exclusive 1746 telephone number for reporting events, providing support and guidance to the elderly and preserving the mental health of citizens
- It was established that open fairs will be interspersed every 15 days
- Recommendation that waterfront kiosk merchants should end their activities
- Seizure of bottles of alcohol without provenance that were being marketed by irregular street vendors
- Closing of public squares
- Established the blocking of the access to the Selarón Staircase, at Rua Joaquim Silva, in Lapa. The objective is to avoid the agglomeration of people and thus the proliferation of the virus, following the recommendations of health professionals
- Cancellation of the handicraft fairs of the Carioca Circuit of Solidarity Economy, fairs and traveling fairs until March 31
- Farmers at organic fairs must follow protective measures, including cleaning card machines with alcohol gel.
- The work to combat vectors, including rodents and African snails, will be carried out only in external areas, it will not enter homes and buildings

### March 23rd

**The City of Rio de Janeiro in Emergency Situation**

| 169 suspected cases | 214 confirmed cases | 1 death |

- Mandatory closure of the city's trade from the first minute of next Tuesday (03/24). Exceptions are for the following cases: pharmacies, supermarkets, and fresh produce stores (which will operate 24 hours a day), bakeries (with the recommendation to avoid crowds), pet stores, gas stations (convenience stores must remain closed) and medical and orthopedic equipment stores. )
- Establishment of free weekly fairs, to avoid crowds with alternate functions: couples in one week and odd ones in another.
- Supermarkets can operate 24 hours, avoiding queues.
- All supermarkets in Rio will have to disclose home delivery numbers and provide this service. Delivery must be made within a maximum of 48 hours. People over 60 have priority in delivery.
- To carry out the work, the Operations Secretariat of the Municipal Public Order Secretariat supplied their vehicles with alcohol gel, gloves and masks to protect the teams during the actions.
March 24th
The City of Rio de Janeiro in Emergency Situation
166 suspected cases 278 confirmed cases 3 deaths
Sanitization of the areas with higher concentration of people in the city.
The Municipal Department of Urban Cleaning sanitizes the surrounding areas of Lourenço Jorge Hospital.
Inspection of stores, according to the municipal decree that ordered the closing of non-essential stores.

March 27th
The City of Rio de Janeiro in Emergency Situation
4471 probable cases 368 confirmed cases 6 deaths
Restriction of activities in free and mobile fairs in the municipality.
Determination that commercial establishments that do not comply with the decree of closure of are subject to the revocation of its business license.

March 28th
The City of Rio de Janeiro in Emergency Situation
4471 probable cases 489 confirmed cases 9 deaths
Inspection and closing of commercial establishments that were not following the decree No. 47.282 that determined that all non-essential commercial establishments must be closed.
Seizure of masks, gloves and hand sanitizers without provenance sold by street and irregular vendors.
Publication of resolutions with measures to be adopted by public agents in relation to establishments and vendors peddlers who do not comply with the rules to prevent the spread of the new coronavirus.

March 30th
The City of Rio de Janeiro in Emergency Situation
4471 probable cases 516 confirmed cases 13 deaths
A decree determined that Markets, Hortifrutis and Grocery stores must install letters informing customers about the service “Disque Aglomeração”, through the number 1746. This service allows people to report agglomerations.

April 2nd
The City of Rio de Janeiro in Emergency Situation
4471 probable cases 807 confirmed cases 31 deaths
Inspection of the mandatory closure of non-essential commercial establishments.

April 6th
The City of Rio de Janeiro in Emergency Situation
4471 probable cases 1068 confirmed cases 42 deaths
Municipal guards of the 5th Province (Bangu), in joint action with military police officers from the 14th Battalion and servers from the 17th Region Administration of Bangu, closed on Sunday (05/04) the closing of eight bars that functioned in disagreement with the decree from the City of Rio, which determines the mandatory closure of non-essential trade.
Municipal guards make the population aware to avoid agglomerations, using a megaphone to warn about the risks of the new coronavirus and the need to stay at home, respecting the period of social distance. Teams travel through BRT stations and the promenade of the beaches of the South and West zones, among other points where there is a concentration of people.
Urban cleaning work also continues to maintain the cleanliness of pavilions 2, 3 and 4 of Riocentro, which will house the hospital campaign campaign. The work has already taken 12 days, with sweeping services, waste removal, manhole inspection with vector control team, and general washing with water and detergent, with a total of up to 180 street sweepers in operation. Comlurb will maintaining the cleanliness of the offices and bathrooms of the future hospital.

April 7th
The City of Rio de Janeiro in Emergency Situation
4471 probable cases 1110 confirmed cases 47 deaths
Distribution of masks and alcohol gel for Municipal Guard agents.
Rio’s City Hall establishes new opening hours for industry and commerce.

April 9th
State of Public Calamity declared in the Municipality of Rio de Janeiro.
4471 probable cases 1449 confirmed cases 73 deaths
Alteration of the decree on the rules for confronting COVID authorising the opening of beach kiosks for delivery or take out.
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<td>April 13th</td>
<td>Alteration of the operating decree of establishments with authorization for all medical establishments Establishment of industry opening hours from 6:00 am to 9:00 pm Establishment of the concept of agglomeration for events. It is defined that agglomeration is the impossibility of maintaining distance of 2 meters between people. Determination for essential trade to display posters with opening hours Installation of loudspeakers in Municipal Guard cars as part of the campaign to raise awareness about hand sanitation and the need to avoid agglomerations. Vehicles will drive through neighborhoods in the center and north, south and west.</td>
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<td>April 15th</td>
<td>Use of a drone with a loudspeaker, which will fly over the city alerting the population about the importance of staying at home Hygiene operations start in 29 communities in the North, South and West areas of the city.</td>
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<td>The City Hall, through the Traffic Engineering Company (CET-RIO), is using the 28 fixed electronic panels in the city's main roads, to spread the warning message concerning the mandatory use of protective masks The City Hall announced that it will install disinfection booths in sensitive points for the circulation of people in the city The City Hall began to inspect supermarkets, markets, hortifrutis and bakeries to verify if they are following the new Covid-19 prevention and control rules planned for the food sector The City Hall started using drones to raise awareness visitors and surfers on the beaches of the South Zone districts.</td>
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<td>Sanitation operations to combat possible outbreaks of the coronavirus pandemic were carried out in 34 underprivileged communities, in the North, South and West Zones Reinforcement of the public awareness actions, with another 50 Municipal Guard vehicles to issue sound alerts in order to reduce agglomerations and the risk of transmission by the new coronavirus Expansion of the Health Surveillance teams responsible for inspections in pharmaceutical establishments The City Hall obtained a contract for public lighting that also provides for the installation of about 10,000 cameras, 40% of them with facial recognition capacity, an important instrument to monitor and avoid agglomeration.</td>
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<td>Suspension until 02 May of street fairs The Municipal Secretariat for Development, Employment and Innovation suspends the supply of material for the free and organic fairs Failure to comply with the fairs decree will be subject to a fine and seizure of the goods. This also applies to service providers.</td>
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<td>The City Hall added a new message on the &quot;talking drone&quot; to remind people to avoid crowds and wear masks.</td>
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<td>The Mayor suspended the decree prohibiting the operation of free trade fairs and determined that the Municipal Secretariat for Development, Employment and Innovation, which has the authority to regulate, would issue a resolution suspending street fairs until 05/15.</td>
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<td>Determination that street fairs in the municipality may return if they comply with measures determined by the City Hall.</td>
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<td>The City Hall, through the Traffic Engineering Company of RJ (CET-Rio), updated the roads signalling with paintings containing prevention messages warning the population of the importance of wearing the mask.</td>
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