

**Government of Punjab
Department of Home**

No SS/ACSH/2020/425

Dated Chandigarh, the 19th May 2020

Notification

Government of Punjab vide notification No SS/ACSH/2020/424 of 17 May 2020 has prohibited plying of all the Public Service Vehicles including e-Rickshaws and Auto Rickshaws, Maxi Cab/ Motor Cab and Private Vehicles (non-transport) between 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. up to 31 May 2020. In pursuance of this order and in exercise of the powers under Section 22(2)(h) of Disaster Management Act, 2005, it is hereby directed that all private (non-transport) and public service vehicles are allowed to operate from 7 am to 7 pm, subject to the following conditions –

A) Public Service Vehicles

- 1) Not more than 50% of the seating capacity of the bus shall be filled at any time during the journey of the bus in order to ensure adequate social distancing.
- 2) All Buses holding a Stage Carriage Permit shall be allowed to operate on their designated route, provided the person operating the Bus shall ensure that-
 - a. All vehicles are sanitized after every trip.
 - b. The passengers only board such a Vehicle at the originating point of the journey
 - c. The passengers do not alight from the Vehicle other than at the terminating point of the journey or at a district headquarters bus stand en-route the journey.
 - d. All passengers wear masks from the time of boarding till alighting from the Vehicle
 - e. Body temperature of each of the passengers has been checked before they are allowed to board a vehicle.
- 3) Buses for the time being, shall not operate in rural areas.
- 4) E-Rickshaws, Auto Rickshaws, Maxi-Cabs, Motor-cabs shall be allowed with a Driver and 2 Passengers only.
- 5) E-Rickshaws, Auto Rickshaws, Maxi-Cabs, Motor-cabs shall be properly sanitized after every trip.
- 6) Car-pooling/Car-sharing by the aggregators shall not be permitted

B) Private Vehicles (Non-Transport)

- 1) In case of two-wheelers, one driver along with a maximum of ONE Pillion Rider, who is a minor child or spouse of the driver, shall be allowed.
- 2) In case of four-wheelers one Driver along with a maximum of TWO Passengers shall be allowed.

General Conditions for Private (Non-transport) & Public Service Vehicles

- 1) All the manpower deployed on a Public Service Vehicle should undergo self-monitoring for symptoms and in case any symptom appears then he shall report the same to the District Magistrate or Civil Surgeon.

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- 2) All guidelines, protocols, advisories and orders in relation to management of COVID -19 issued from time to time under the Epidemic Diseases Act 1897 and the Disaster Management Act 2005 shall be complied. Any violation of these orders shall be subject to prosecution under relevant provisions of the National Disaster Management Act 2005, the Motor Vehicle Act 1988 and such other laws as may applicable.

This order shall be applicable to the State of Punjab only and excluding the Union Territory of Chandigarh

All guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures of the Department of Transport shall be applicable.



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Government of Punjab

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A Copy of the above is forwarded to

1. Principal Secretary Transport for information and necessary action.
2. State Transport Commissioner, Director State Transport Punjab and Managing Director PRTC, Patiala for strict compliance
3. Transport Commissioners of all the States.
4. All Deputy Commissioners of Punjab for strict compliance of the above orders and to give wide publicity.
5. Department of Health & Family Welfare (NHM, Punjab) in reference to their Letter No. MD/NHM/2020/3290R, Dated 6th May, 2020.