

## **Decision of the Prime Minister No. 18 of 2020**

### **“Emergency”**

#### **The Prime Minister,**

In reference of the provisions of the Amended Basic Law of 2003, as amended,

The provisions of the Presidential Decree No. 6 of 2020 Concerning the Declaration of the State of Emergency,

The provisions of the Law by Decree No. 7 of 2020 Concerning the State of Emergency,

The provisions of the Law by Decree No. 17 of 2020 Concerning Public Health and Safety Preventive Measures and their Violation during the State of Emergency,

Based upon my authorisation of the powers and competences necessary to achieve the purposes of the declaration of the state of emergency,

The powers bestowed upon me under the legislation in force,

In preservation of public health and safety, and

In pursuance of the public interest,

#### **Hereby promulgates the following Decision:**

##### **Article 1**

1. Each person must comply with public health and safety preventive measures and not violate the obligations set forth under the Law by Decree No. 17 of 2020 Concerning Public Health and Safety Preventive Measures and their Violation during the State of Emergency.
2. Fines shall be set against each person who commits a violation of those provided for under the Law by Decree No. 17 of 2020, and described under this Decision, by the amount determined opposite each violation listed in the tables under Articles 2, 3, and 4 of this Decision, and in accordance with the form of the violations annexed to this Decision.

##### **Article 2**

1. Each natural person must comply with public health and safety preventive measures while present in public and government places, companies, institutions, facilities, professional offices, shopping malls, commercial premises, medical clinics, and health centres.
2. The natural person shall be deemed to have violated the obligations set out under Article 1 of the Law by Decree No. 17 of 2020 in the event they perform any of the following actions and the fine estimated for each shall be imposed upon them:

No.	Violation	Amount of the fine
1.	Failure to wear a facemask and preventive gloves	NIS 100
2.	Failure to observe social distancing rules	NIS 100
3.	Failure to observe other safety instructions issued forth by the competent authorities	NIS 100

### Article 3

The establishment, company, commercial premise, or service provider shall be deemed to have violated the obligations provided for under Article 2 of the Law by Decree No. 17 of 2020 when it performs any of the following actions and the fine estimated for each shall be imposed upon it:

No.	Violation	Amount of the fine
1.	Failure to oblige customers to wear a facemask and preventive gloves	NIS 500
2.	Failure to oblige employees thereat to wear a facemask and preventive gloves	NIS 500
3.	Failure to observe social distancing rules	NIS 500
4.	Failure to observe other safety instructions issued forth by the competent authorities	NIS 500

### Article 4

Companies and means of public transportation shall be deemed to have violated the obligations provided for under Article 3 of the Law by Decree No. 17 of 2020 when they perform any of the following actions and the fine estimated for each shall be imposed upon it:

No.	Violation	Amount of the fine
1.	Failure to oblige employees and drivers to wear a facemask and preventive gloves	NIS 250
2.	Failure to observe social distancing rules	NIS 250
3.	Failure to observe other safety instructions issued forth by the competent authorities	NIS 250

### Article 5

1. The Police shall be responsible for issuing fines against the persons, vehicles, and means of transportation on grounds of the infractions committed in violation of the provisions of the Law by Decree No. 17 of 2020 in public places and spaces.
2. The Ministry of Health and relevant authorities, each one within the sphere of its jurisdiction, shall be responsible for issuing fines on grounds of the infractions committed in violation of the provisions of the Law by Decree No. 17 of 2020 or any provisions of the other safety instructions issued forth by the competent authorities, if committed in public and government places, companies, institutions, establishments, professional offices, shopping malls, commercial premises, medical clinics, and health centres.

### Article 6

1. The amount of the issued fine shall be paid within thirty days from the date of its issuance and deposited in the account of the State's Public Treasury.
2. In the event the offender fails to pay the amount of the fine within the period prescribed under Paragraph 1 of this Article, the fine shall be referred to the Public Prosecution for submission to the competent court.

#### **Article 7**

The Police shall have the power to withdraw the licence of the drive of any public vehicle, on board of which acts contrary to the provisions of the Law by Decree No. 17 of 2020 or any provisions of the other safety instructions issued forth by the competent authorities are detected.

#### **Article 8**

The Ministry of Finance shall be assigned to issue violation books in accordance with the attached form within one week from the date of this Decision.

#### **Article 9**

All the competent authorities, each one within its sphere of jurisdiction, shall implement the provisions of this Decision, which shall enter into force as of the date of its promulgation and shall be published in the Official Gazette.

**Promulgated in the city of Ramallah on July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 *Anno Domini*,**

**Corresponding to Thu al-Qi'dah 15<sup>th</sup>, 1441 *Anno Hegira*.**

**Dr. Mohammad Shtayyeh**

**Prime Minister**