

**Religious Communities: Proposed Guidelines for Each Level of Lockdown**

	Religious gatherings	Small group meetings	Personal care by religious workers
LEVEL 5	<p>No religious gatherings permitted, except:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Funerals according to regulations with a maximum of 50 persons allowed in a building (including a religious building, funeral home, a private home or garden) only if they can sit 2 m apart.</li> </ul> <p>A list of names and contact details of all attendees must be compiled.</p> <p>Office administrative functions may continue, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Payment of salaries;</li> <li>- Essential IT support;</li> <li>- Coordination of social care programs such as feeding schemes;</li> <li>- Essential building maintenance.</li> <li>- Congregant calling/counselling</li> </ul> <p>Use of the internet and technology is encouraged for contact with the community.</p>	<p>No small group gatherings permitted.</p>	<p>Permits issued to religious workers for delivering essential services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Feeding schemes;</li> <li>- Social care and spiritual/grief counselling;</li> <li>- Assistance in cases of domestic violence;</li> <li>- Visitation of the sick and administering last rites to the dying.</li> </ul> <p>Whenever a religious worker comes into contact with someone with COVID-19, they must go into 14 days self-isolation/quarantine.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Clarification of the current regulations and application process is needed to [EG] enable SAPS to issue permits as well as CIPC and DSD define required documentation and number of permits per employee/religious organisation.</p>

<p>LEVEL 4</p>	<p>As per Level 5, plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Drive-in/outdoor gatherings at a large open space [EG] parking lot or vacant land).</li> </ul> <p>Attendees remain in their cars at all times, while the meeting is being broadcast via FM transmitter or cell phone apps according to ICASA regulations or projected onto a big screen.</p> <p>Meetings no longer than one hour.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Weddings according to funeral regulations with a maximum of 50 persons allowed in a building, only if they can sit 1.5 m apart.</li> </ul> <p>A list of names and contact details of all attendees must be compiled.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Clarification required on how a Marriage Officer can register the marriage in the event that DHA offices are closed.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Media/Music/Preacher team of no more than 10 – 15 people allowed to meet at [EG] the church venue to record and prepare for internet broadcast of these events.</p>	<p>As per Level 5, plus:</p> <p>Outdoor gatherings of small groups (including at private homes) of no more than 10 – 15 persons.</p> <p>Each person to bring their own chair.</p> <p>Seating a minimum of 1.5 metres apart.</p> <p>A list of names and contact details of all attendees must be compiled.</p> <p>Meetings no longer than one hour.</p>	<p>As per Level 5, plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Visitation by religious workers to those in distress or in need when all other ways of assistance and contact have been exhausted or deemed insufficient, if permitted by the designated head of the institution/church/assembly.</li> </ul> <p>Note: All visits will only take place on invitation by and with the consent of the person to be visited.</p>
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<p>LEVEL 3</p>	<p>As per Level 4, plus:</p> <p>Outdoor community gatherings permitted.</p> <p>Each person to bring their own chair.</p> <p>Seating a minimum of 1.5 metres apart.</p> <p>A list of names and contact details of all attendees must be compiled.</p> <p>Meetings no longer than one and a half hours.</p>	<p>As per Level 4, plus:</p> <p>Indoor gatherings of small groups (including at private homes) of no more than 30 persons allowed</p> <p>Seating a minimum of 1,5 metres apart.</p> <p>A list of names and contact details of all attendees must be compiled.</p> <p>Meetings no longer than one and a half hours.</p>	<p>As per Level 4, plus:</p> <p>Individual visitation by religious workers to the person in distress or in need, but without a permit.</p>
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<p>LEVEL 2</p>	<p>As per Level 3, plus:</p> <p>Indoor community gatherings/meetings to a maximum of 100 persons, or 40% of the seating capacity of the building, whichever is the greater.</p> <p>Seating a minimum of 1.5 metres apart.</p> <p>A list of names and contact details of all attendees must be compiled.</p> <p>Meetings no longer than one and a half hours.</p> <p>Groups of 100 can rotate throughout the day with proper sanitizing of surfaces between meetings.</p>	<p>As per Level 3, plus:</p> <p>Indoor gatherings of small groups (including at private homes) of no more than 50 persons</p> <p>Seating a minimum of 1,5 metres apart.</p> <p>A list of names and contact details of all attendees must be compiled.</p> <p>Meetings no longer than one and a half hours.</p>	<p>As per Level 3, plus:</p> <p>Individual visitation by religious workers</p>
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<p>LEVEL 1</p>	<p>As per Level 2, plus:</p> <p>Indoor community gatherings/meetings to a maximum of 100 persons, or 60% of the seating capacity of the building, whichever is the greater</p> <p>Seating a minimum of 1.5 metres apart.</p> <p>A list of names and contact details of all attendees must be compiled.</p> <p>Meetings no longer than two hours.</p> <p>Groups of attendees can rotate throughout the day with proper sanitizing of surfaces between meetings.</p>	<p>As per Level 2, plus:</p> <p>Indoor gatherings of small groups (including at private homes) – no limit to numbers.</p> <p>Seating a minimum of 1.5 metres apart.</p> <p>A list of names and contact details of all attendees must be compiled.</p> <p>Meetings no longer than two hours.</p>	<p>As per Level 2:</p>
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