

NOTICE 7 OF 2020 REGARDING THE COVID-19 LOCKDOWN IN TERMS OF THE CROSS-BORDER ROAD TRANSPORT ACT, ACT 4 OF 1998

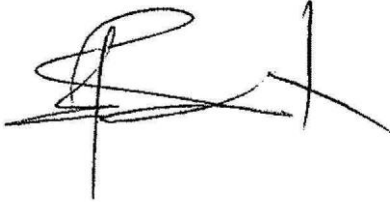
On 26 March 2020 the President of the Republic of South Africa announced a national lockdown of the Republic commencing on at midnight of 26 March 2020 to curb the spread of the Covid-19 pandemic. The lockdown has 5 levels and South Africa found itself moving downward accordingly due to the decline in infection rate. The Honorable President on 16 September 2020 announced that the lockdown will be moving to Level 1 from 21 September 2020, and on 1 October 2020, the currently opened land border posts for freight transport will also be used for passenger transport.

As outlined in Section 28 of the Cross-Border Road Transport Act, Act 4 of 1998 as amended, the Regulatory Committee regulates the processes that need to be undertaken when deciding on the granting, renewal and amending of passenger permits.

Due to the national lockdown the Agency was unable to adhere to these processes. The Regulatory Committee has appraised itself of the situation and has resolved as follows:

- (1) Cross -Border Road Transport Passenger Permits (duration of one (1) and five (5) year) that have expired from March 2020 to be deemed to be valid until the end of 31 March 2021.
- (2) Operators must have a letter issued by the Agency that must go with Notice 7 and the expired permit that will indicate the permit number, vehicle registration number and route.
- (3) Operators must submit a valid vehicle license, roadworthy certificate; tax clearance certificate or pin number to confirm compliance before the letter will be issued.
- (4) Operators with five (5) year permits are still required to apply for compliance certificates at their own cost.

(5) Operators will have to renew cross-border passengers permits at their own cost from 1 April 2021.



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Chairperson of the Regulatory Committee

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