

EMPLOYMENT

Urgent update: directions issued regarding the sale of clothing, footwear and bedding during Alert Level 4

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On 12 May 2020 the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition, Mr Ebrahim Patel, published Directions ("Directions") in terms of the Regulations issued by the Minister of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs in terms of the Disaster Management Act. The Directions provide details regarding the items of clothing, footwear and bedding that may be sold by retailers / purchased by consumers under Alert Level 4 of the lockdown. The items can be sold / purchased with effect of 12 May 2020. The items are set out below:

Clothing

1. All baby and toddler clothing and footwear.
2. All children's wear, including:
 - outerwear;
 - underwear;
 - sleepwear;
 - school wear and school shoes;
 - footwear;
 - socks; and
 - related accessories.
3. All maternity wear.
4. All adult sleepwear and gowns.
5. All adult underwear.
6. The following adult outerwear categories:
 - active wear, including gym, running and other exercise apparel;
 - knitwear;
 - jackets and coats;
 - dresses;
 - long sleeved tops;
 - long sleeved t-shirts;
 - denim jeans and denim jackets;
 - pants;
 - skirts;
 - short sleeved knit tops, where promoted and displayed as worn under cardigans and knitwear;

- short sleeved t-shirts, where promoted and displayed as under garments for warmth;
- leggings;
- crop bottoms worn with boots and leggings;
- shirts, either short- or long-sleeved, where displayed and promoted to be worn under jackets coats and / or knitwear;
- golf shirts; or
- one-pieces such as bodysuits.

7. The following adult accessories:

- shawls and scarves;
- beanies;
- gloves;
- socks;
- belts;
- headwear;
- gym and exercise apparel accessories; and
- hair accessories.

Footwear

1. The following adult footwear categories:

- boots;
- slippers;
- closed-toe heels;
- closed-toe flat shoes;
- sneakers and trainers;
- smart closed-toe shoes; or
- casual closed-toe shoes.

Bedding

1. The following bedding categories:

- baby bedding and blankets;
- duvets;
- duvet inners;
- blankets;
- comforters;
- quilts;
- mattress protectors;
- pillows;
- throws;
- sheets and pillow cases; and
- electric blankets.

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