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Guidelines regarding furniture removals during level 4 in Government Notice 43293 issued by the Minister of Corporate Governance and Traditional Affairs on 07 May 2020.

At all times it is prudent to read this simplified document with the Notice as published by the Minister. For ease of reference and understanding, the Association has simplified the Gazette and highlighted aspects that are specifically of importance to its Members.

Focus of this Gazette:

- movement of persons and goods within and across provincial, metropolitan or district boundaries

Movement of persons & goods

Direction 2

This allows the movement of persons and their goods (reasonably understood as their furniture / household effects for the purposes of this Gazette) where persons change their place of residence to a new place of residence, within the Republic, in terms of:

- new lease agreements entered into before or during the lockdown period,
- the transfer of immovable property that occurred before the lockdown period,
- the once-off movement of persons who are relocating to their new place of residence, as permitted in terms of regulation 16(5): and
- The transport of goods within the Republic is permitted in terms of regulation 22(1)(f),

Time period Restriction

- Movement of persons and goods permitted from **07 May 2020 to 07 June 2020**.

Documentation Required

- Person moving must **obtain a permit to travel** across provincial, metropolitan or district boundaries from the station commander (or designated person) of a police station'
- The permit must correspond to Form 1,
- Indicate the persons who are part of the household who will be required to move, and
- The **relevant lease agreement** indicating the date of expiry of the old lease and the date of commencement of the new lease, **or the transfer documents** attesting to the change in place of residence or change of ownership of property.

Example of permit: (an editable word version is circulated with this guideline)

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FORM 1
PERMIT TO TRAVEL TO ANOTHER PROVINCE, METROPOLITAN AREA OR DISTRICT
FOR PURPOSES OF RELOCATION
 Direction 3(b)

Note:

- This permit must be issued to the persons relocating
- This permit and any form of identification must be in the possession of the person to whom this permit is issued

I,

Full Names	
Surname	
Identity Number	

The *Station Commander / *Designated Person of:

SAPS Station:

HEREBY ISSUE A PERMIT FOR *RELOCATION / *TRANSPORTATION OF PERSONS, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS TO:

Full names					
Surname					
Identity Number					
Number of people travelling * Limited to number of people per vehicle, as per directions of Minister of Transport					
Address of residence relocating from					
Province relocating from					
Registration number of vehicle(s)					
Contact Details	Cell		Tel	email	
Address of residence relocating to					
Province relocating to (if different from current) province					
Date of travel					

I have verified that the person requesting the permit *produced the relevant lease agreement, indicating the date of expiry of the old lease and the commencement date of the new lease / produced proof of purchase of residence and occupation date / produced the transfer documents attesting to the change of ownership of property.

Signed at _____ this _____ day of 2020.

*Station commander / person designated by him or her
 "Delete which is not applicable "

Official stamp

Staff (packers & loaders) on removal vehicles

Whilst the Department of Transport has stated that the transporter (operator) needs to decide on the operational needs of persons on vehicles – the concept of social distancing is strictly applied by the enforcement officers (SAPS and traffic police).

We have struggled to get various authorities to both understand the prescripts and to apply these – resulting in numerous cases of vehicles being detained, impounded and drivers arrested. These cases are yet to come before the Courts (in a post-COVID-19 world) – however operators have had to pay fines to release vehicles and continue operations.

In some cases, drivers were arrested and detained for two days.

Currently transporters can easily operate vehicles with two persons in the cab – thereafter they encounter problems.

In the current environment of COVID-19 you would need to ensure that social distancing is maintained which **would reasonably infer that the packers / loaders would need to be transported on another vehicle - subject to COVID-19 transport restrictions.**

Further Amendments / additions as received and where pertinent to the operations of Members will be communicated as received.