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KEY UPDATES ON COVID-19

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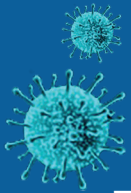
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BVI CONFIRMS FIRST TWO CASES OF

COVID-19

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The Government of the Virgin Islands confirmed the first two imported cases of the Coronavirus disease COVID-19 in the British Virgin Islands on March 25.



CURFEW

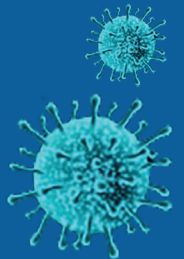
To ensure the safety of persons in the BVI and reduce the spread of COVID-19 a Curfew has be implemented as follows:

8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 25

8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 26

24-HOUR CURFEW

8:00 p.m. on Friday, March 27 to 6:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 2.

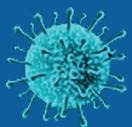
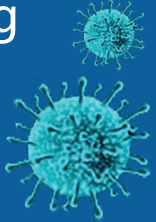




ALL PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS CLOSED

The public is reminded that all private and public schools, pre-schools, day care centres and extra-curricular activities are mandated to be closed until Monday April 6.

Students will then have their Easter break beginning Monday April 6 and ending Sunday April 19.



PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS FROM GETTING SICK



WASH HANDS



AVOID SICK PEOPLE



COVER COUGH AND SNEEZE



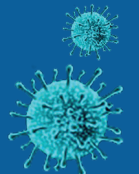
STAY HOME WHEN SICK

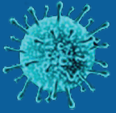


DO NOT TOUCH FACE



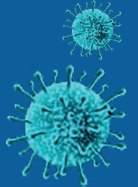
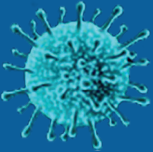
CLEAN AND DISINFECT FREQUENTLY





BVI PORTS CLOSED TO INBOUND TRAVEL

All ports in the British Virgin Islands are closed to inbound travel effective March 22 at 11:59 p.m. for a period of 14 days in the first instance. Port Purcell will remain open for cargo.

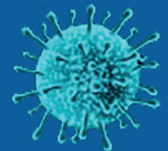
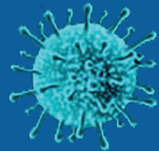


PORT OPERATING HOURS

The following Port Facilities are open to domestic traffic only for an initial period of 14 days. Ferry operators continue to operate outbound services to the United States Virgin Islands (USVI), it is recommended that persons contact Ferry operators directly for schedules.

West End and Jost Van Dyke hours are
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday to Sunday.

Virgin Gorda operations are
6:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Monday to Sunday.



Road Town Terminal hours remain the same at
6:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Monday to Saturday and Sunday's from 7:00 a.m. -7:00 p.m.

Port Purcell hours remain at
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m .weekdays and Saturday.

For more information please call our office at 494-3435

SHOW BVILOVE AND REPORT NON-COMPLIANCE

Do you know of persons who have recently travelled to or from Asia, United Kingdom, United States of America, Europe and other Caribbean islands into the British Virgin Islands and are not following quarantine guidance?

Make a report to the Public Health Division at 468-2274 or email the ministryofhealth@gov.vg.

For more information on the BVI's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, visit www.bvi.gov.vg/covid-19.

MEDICAL HOTLINE FOR COVID-19

INFORMATION FOR TRAVELLERS

Have you travelled within the **last 14 days** and are feeling unwell?

**AVOID VISITING YOUR DOCTOR.
CONTACT THE**

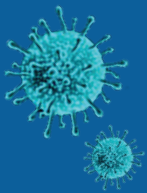
Medical Hotline

852-7650

(8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

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For other COVID-19 information call 468-2274

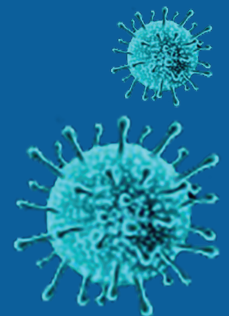
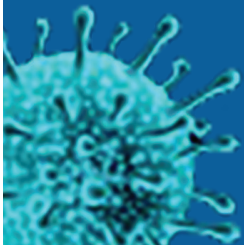


ASSESSMENT OF WORKFORCE – COVID-19

In order for the Department of Labour and Workforce Development and the Immigration Department to adequately assess the workforce needs in the Territory, the departments are requesting that business owners/employers and managers whose businesses have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic provide the following information:

The functionality of the business as it relates to its operations (business hours, etc.); employees that may have been laid off/released or will be laid off/released and those that have been retained, along with their respective positions and immigration status. Moreover, any additional information that they deem will be useful to the assessment.

Employers are also reminded of the Preliminary Section of the Labour Code, 2010, which pertains to “National policy underlying the Code” as it states; 2 (b) “the legitimate employment interests of Virgin Islanders and Belongers shall be paramount and shall override all other competing expression on national policy” when accounting for any layoff measures that may have to be induced. Information should be sent to the labour and immigration department at labour@gov.vg and immigrationinfo@gov.vg or call (284) 468-4707/4708, (284) 468-4703 if you require any additional assistance.



A GUIDE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING

SOCIAL DISTANCING IS A WAY TO **SLOW DOWN OR STOP** THE SPREAD OF **INFECTIOUS DISEASES** BY **LIMITING CONTACT** BETWEEN YOU AND OTHER PEOPLE.

← **3 Feet** →

AVOID THE FOLLOWING WHILE SOCIAL DISTANCING:

- GROUP GATHERINGS AND PLAYDATES
- SLEEPOVERS
- CONCERTS AND CINEMA OUTING
- STADIUM EVENTS
- CROWDED STORES AND MALLS
- GYMS
- VISITORS AND NON-ESSENTIAL WORKERS IN YOUR HOMES
- PUBLIC TRANSPORT



LIMIT THESE ACTIONS:

- RESTAURANT VISITS, INCLUDING GETTING TAKEOUTS
- GROCERY STORE AND PHARMACY VISITS
- GOING TO THE LIBRARY
- CHURCH AND MOSQUE SERVICES
- TRAVELING



SAFE SOCIAL DISTANCING:

- TAKE A WALK OR HIKE
- GO FOR A DRIVE
- YARD WORK AND PLAYING IN THE YARD
- SPRING CLEANING
- READ, WATCH TV SERIES, OR LISTEN TO MUSIC
- FAMILY GAME NIGHTS
- GROUP VIDEO CHATS
- CALL TO CHECK ON YOUR FRIENDS AND ELDERLY NEIGHBOURS



REMEMBER :
WASH YOUR HANDS REGULARLY WITH SOAP AND WATER FOR AT LEAST 20 SECONDS AND AVOID TOUCHING YOUR FACE.



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for other COVID-19 information call: 468-2274
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COVID-19 Mathematics Lesson:

PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING



20 PEOPLE
30 DAYS

30,000 LIVES SAVED



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AT-RISK

CORONAVIRUS COVID-19

If you are 60+ or if you have an underlying condition such as:



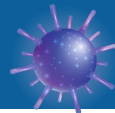
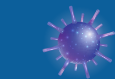
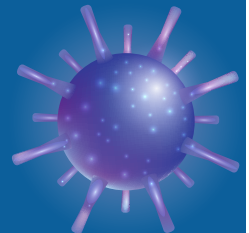
Cardiovascular Disease



Respiratory Condition



Diabetes



HEALTH ALERT

Have you or anyone you know travelled to a country with an outbreak of COVID-19?

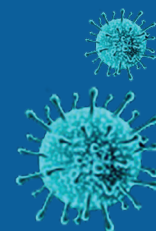
Have you come into contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19?

If you answered **yes**, to any of the question above,
YOU ARE AT RISK!

STAY AT HOME

Stay home for the next 14 days and monitor your health.

Take your temperature with a thermometer two times a day and watch for symptoms.



SYMPTOMS

Illnesses can range from mild symptoms to severe illness and death.

Symptoms may appear between 2-14 days after exposure.

SYMPTOMS CAN INCLUDE:

- Fever 100.4 F/ 38 C or higher)
- Cough
- Shortness of breath



COVID-19 UPDATE

Emergency Hotline Numbers

The public is advised of the following
24-hour emergency hotline numbers during the mandatory curfew:

COVID-19 Medical Hotline

852-7650

Non-COVID-19 Related Medical Emergencies

911

Police

311

Nurse Iris O'Neal Clinic/Medical Centre (Virgin Gorda)

345-2613

852-7730

Nurse Romalia Smith Clinic Anegada

346-9801

440-1627

Jost Van Dyke

346-1709

852-7795

Social Development

468-9371 Child Protection/Family Support

468-9384 Elderly Care

468-9373 Anegada/Virgin Gorda Support

Family Support Network

499-0999

542-2085

Psychosocial Support and Supportive Counseling

541-2383

541-1559

541-1861

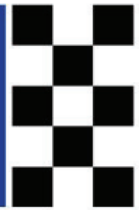
Ministry of Health and Social Development

468-9770



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When Requesting Police Assistance



What the Public Needs to Know:

- 1** Do not go to the police department or any police station.
- 2** Call 311 to make a report or 911 if you have an emergency and ask for the police. When possible, an officer will contact you and take the information by phone.
- 3** When requesting a response by the police force, always alert the dispatcher if anyone is in self-isolation, quarantined or showing symptoms of respiratory illness related to COVID-19 such as fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing. Please be prepared to speak with officers outside of your location. This is the required protocol to minimize exposure to you and your family.
- 4** Officers will follow the Ministry of Health and Social Development health advisories and maintain the recommended social distancing guidelines when serving the public.
- 5** Officers will follow the procedure of taking photographs of persons identification/licences, etc. to limit contact during stops by the police and will gather information from a safe distance.
- 6** If you are stopped in your vehicle by a police officer, you will be requested to roll down your window and the officer will communicate with you from a safe distance. Please do not get out of your vehicle unless expressly directed by an officer.
- 7** Your compliance with all instructions given by any police officer is essential to help keep you, your families and our police force safe.
- 8** During any response by a police officer, whether to a home, business or vehicle stop, please be prepared to answer a series of health-related questions by the responding officer. Police Officers will comply with the social distancing mandate and will stand a safe distance while responding.