

EXTRAORDINARY CONTINGENCY AND MITIGATION MEASURES FOR CORONAVIRUS
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HEALTH	INSTITUTIONS	EMPLOYEES	COMPANIES	CIVIL PROTECTION	PORTS	JUSTICE	PUBLIC SECTOR
<p>Exceptional human resources regime, which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the suspension of overtime limits; (ii) simplifying the hiring of workers; (iii) worker mobility; (iv) the hiring of retired doctors with no age limit. 	<p>Educational institutions (Schools, Universities, Crèches, ATL's).</p> <p>Suspension of all face-to-face classroom activities (academic and non-academic), starting on Monday 16th March for a period of two weeks.</p> <p>To be revaluated on the 9th of April with regards the Third Period.</p>	<p>Justified absence for employees who are obliged to stay at home to look after their children up to 12 years old, due to the closure of schools (and who cannot carry out teleworking).</p> <p>Exceptional financial support for the above-mentioned employees of the payment of 66% of gross remuneration (33% to be paid by the employer and 33% to be paid by the Social Security).</p> <p>Exceptional financial support for the above-mentioned self-employed workers of the payment of 33% of the average remuneration.</p>	<p>Credit line to support the working capital of companies of €200 million.</p> <p>€60 million credit line for micro-enterprises in the tourism sector.</p>	<p>The MAI and MS will declare a state of alert for the whole of the country, putting into place civil protection measures and placing the security forces and services on standby.</p>	<p>Prohibition of disembarkation of cruise ship passengers.</p>	<p>Exceptional regime for the suspension of deadlines, just impediment, justification of absences, and postponement of diligence.</p>	<p>Exceptional regime for public procurement, expenditure authorisation and administrative authorisation to respond to the SARS-CoV-2 epidemic.</p>
<p>Prevention regime for professionals in the health sector who are directly involved in the response of specialist laboratory diagnosis.</p>	<p>Retirement Homes</p> <p>Suspension of all visits to retirement homes, in all of Portugal.</p>	<p>Extraordinary support to compensate for the reduced economic activity of self-employed workers and deferral of the payment of contributions.</p>	<p>Simplified Lay off: Extraordinary support to maintain employment contracts for those companies experiencing a crisis situation, with the payment of 66% of gross remuneration and the payment of 70% of Social Security contributions, the remainder being paid by the employer.</p> <p>IEFP training grants.</p> <p>Contribution towards the promotion of an exceptional and temporary regime for the exemption of the payment of Social Security contributions by employers during lay off period.</p>	<p>Application of an exceptional regime of dispensation from work for voluntary firefighters called upon to reinforce the effort to combat COVID-19.</p>			<p>The acceptance of expired documents by public authorities.</p>
<p>Exceptional regime for the purchase of services by agencies, services, and entities of the Ministry of Health.</p>	<p>Restaurants and Bars</p> <p>Reduction of maximum capacity by one third,</p>	<p>Constitution of extraordinary support for professional training of 50% of the employees' remuneration up to the National Minimum Wage limit, as well as the cost of training - for situations of long-term productive occupation.</p>	<p>Measures to accelerate payments to companies by the Public Administration.</p>	<p>Creation of a national reserve of personal protective medical equipment for fire fighters.</p>			
<p>Exceptional regime for the requisition of members of medical boards for assessing the degree of incapacity of the disabled.</p>	<p>Shopping Centres, Supermarkets, Gyms, Attending the Public</p> <p>Limited access to ensure social distancing.</p>	<p>Guarantee of Social Security cover for trainees and trainers during the course of training activities, as well as for beneficiaries who are actively employed who are unable to attend training sessions.</p>	<p>PT 2020:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Payment of grants within 30 days. (ii) Extension of the repayment deadline for credit granted under QREN or PT 2020. (iii) Eligibility of expenses incurred with cancelled international events. 				
	<p>Nightclubs and similar</p> <p>Closed.</p>	<p>Self-isolation of 14 days for suspected illness for social protection measures. Immediate payment of 100% of gross remuneration.</p>	<p>Extraordinary grant to ensure normal functioning (Minimum Wage limit/worker).</p>				
		<p>Waiver of the delay in paying sickness benefit (currently 3 and 10 days).</p>	<p>Strengthening of the response capacity of IAPMEI and Turismo de Portugal to compensate for the impact caused by COVID-19.</p>				
			<p>Extension of deadlines for paying taxes and other fiscal obligations</p>				