

**NOTICE TO BUSINESS OWNERS WITHIN EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY  
REGARDING THE MANAGEMENT OF COVID-19/ CORONAVIRUS**

This notice serves to inform Business Owners within Emalahleni Local Municipality of the declaration made by the President of the Republic of South Africa on 15 March 2020.

Government Gazette No. 313 issued on the 15 March 2020 as per the Disaster Management Act 57 of 2002; declares the country in a State of Disaster as a result of the spread of the COVID-19.

This notice requires that all premises where there is foot traffic are maintained in line with the requirements of the National Department of Health.

1. Business Owners are required to adhere to all notices issued by Emalahleni Local Municipality and any other legislations passed since the announcement of the declaration by the State President.
2. Business Owners must be vigilant of any scams related to COVID-19.
3. As per Regulation signed by the Minister of Trade and Industry on 19 March 2020, all Business Owners are not allowed to hike prices for a list of goods by more than the increases in the costs to produce these products, and to hike their profit margins on these products to above average mark-ups during the three months. Section 7 of this Regulation stipulate fines for anyone found to be contravening the provisions of this Regulation.

For any enquiries, kindly contact Mr L Mofokeng on 013 690 6588 or [Mofokengl@emalahleni.gov.za](mailto:Mofokengl@emalahleni.gov.za) or Emalahleni Local Municipality Facebook page (@emalahleniLocalMunicipality)

**ISSUED BY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**