

The Seychelles Planning Authority would like to notify the public that as from Monday 4th May 2020, contractors and construction materials manufacturers will gradually be allowed to resume operations in the construction sector as they meet the following mandatory conditions to operate.

These new guidelines are being implemented from Monday 4th May to ensure that the construction sector operates in a manner consistent with the requirements from the Department of Health.

Contractors and construction material manufacturers will have to adhere to the following mandatory conditions:

1. Contact Public Health Services (4388198 / 2826157) to assess your expatriate worker's accommodation to ensure all health requirements for the same are adhere to. Upon satisfying Public Health Services a health accommodation certificate will be issued to allow workers to travel from their place of accommodation.

2. Simultaneously all organizations will have to provide a list of construction sites to the Public Health Services for inspection to ensure all health and safety guidelines; hygiene and related construction guidelines are in place for works to fully resume.

3. Upon satisfying guidelines for undertaking construction work, Covid-19 measures for construction site a health certificate for construction site will be issued.

4. Submit a fresh commencement notice with attached Public Health certificates at the Planning Authority counter OR forward all required documents as requested above to email: planningauthority@mluh.gov.sc .

5. Upon acceptance of commencement notice, all certificates issued should be available for verification on-site for monitoring.

6. Very minor maintenance or repair works on existing buildings or facilities which is of short duration (less than one day) and involves three or fewer workers is exempted from the need of obtaining a Health Certificate. The contractor, client, and owners of buildings or facilities take responsibility for jointly overseeing the requirements of social distancing are respected. Hygiene and sanitation will be a mutual responsibility between the contractor and the client.

Please note that for ALL ongoing construction, contractors have to re-submit a fresh commencement notice no matter at which stage of development the construction has reached.

For a hard copy of the complete guideline and conditions or any additional queries contact the Seychelles Planning Authority. Tel: 4674538 / 4674576