



Notice to all Licensed providers of Telecommunications, Broadcasting and Courier Services in Uganda

IMPLEMENTATION OF PRESIDENTIAL DIRECTIVE BANNING THE USE OF PRIVATE MOTOR VEHICLE DURING THE COVID-19 LOCK DOWN PERIOD

On the 30th of March 2020, H.E. the President of the Republic of Uganda issued further guidelines on the COVID19, which included a ban on the use of private motor vehicles for a period of two weeks ending on the 14th of April 2020. In the same address, H.E. the President stated that provision of essential services, which included telecommunication, door-to-door delivery and media, should continue during the period of the 14 days. H.E. the President also put in place a curfew starting at 19:00 hours of each day from the 31st of March 2020.

To facilitate the implementation of the above directives, the Uganda Communications Commission (Commission) wishes to guide all Chief Executives Officers (CEO) of licensed telecommunication companies, television, radio, postal and courier/delivery service providers as follows:

- (a) Designate key staff in their respective companies that shall be required to ensure uninterrupted provision of the essential services specified in the above-mentioned guidelines.
- (b) The name, title and National Identity Number (NIN) of the designated staff along with the make and vehicle registration (number plate) of the vehicle to be used, should be registered with the Uganda Police Force and with the Ministry of Works and Transport for purposes of processing their vehicle stickers.
- (c) All designated staff must at all times move with their official work Identification Cards and a letter issued by their CEO confirming the identity of the staff and their being required to work during the lock down period.
- (d) In the case of the telecommunications operators, where the licensee uses the services of a third party in the provision of the essential services defined above and where the involvement of these is critical in this period, a letter shall be issued by the CEO of the telecommunications operator indicating the name of the third party company and the details of the specific individuals (name and national ID number) whose services are to be utilized as well as the make and

- registration number of the motor vehicle(s) to be used by the respective individual during this period.
- (e) All designated staff must ensure that as they continue providing the essential services, they cooperate with authorities and observe all the necessary safety and prevention measures, specified by Government through Standard Operating Procedures and else, in order to mitigate the risk of exposure to and spread of the COVID-19.

Should you require any further clarification, please contact the undersigned on ikargs@ucc.co.ug.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Yours faithfully,

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