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RE VACATING LEASED PREMISES / MOVING HOUSE DURING “RELAXED LOCKDOWN”

1. Just in. Pack your boxes and arrange a truck. You can now move into your new home.
2. Notwithstanding the six-week moratorium on not only personal movement, but moving in general, the Minister of Co-Operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma has announced a window period in which you may embark upon your long awaited “once-off” move. Given her latest track record, you may want to strike while the iron is hot.
3. On the 7th of May 2020 Minister Dlamini Zuma signed and gazetted the directives issued in terms of Section 27(2)(f) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002), which now permits the once-off movement of persons who are relocating to their new place of residence.
4. Essentially, the directives issued are as follows:
 - 4.1. The once-off move must take place between 7 May 2020 and 7 June 2020;
 - 4.2. The once-off move will only apply where:

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- 4.2.1. new lease agreements were entered into before or during the lockdown period; or
- 4.2.2. the transfer of immovable property occurred before the lockdown period;

which require a change in place of residence;
- 4.3. The transport of goods, which are limited to household furniture and effects, are also permitted during the mentioned period;
- 4.4. A person moving during this period will also be required to obtain a permit to travel across provincial, metropolitan or district boundaries from the station commander of a police station or a person designated by him or her. We are of the view that the permit should be obtained at a police station within the district from which you are moving.
- 4.5. The permit, as aforesaid, must indicate the identity of the people who are part of the household, and who will be required to move;
- 4.6. The permit as aforesaid must correspond with Form 1 attached to the Directive.
- 4.7. The persons as aforesaid must have in his or her possession the relevant lease agreement indicating the date of expiry of the old lease and the date of commencement of the new lease, or the transfer documents attesting to the change in place of residence or change of ownership of property.
5. For your ease of reference, a copy of the mentioned permit is attached hereto.



6. As a cautionary measure it is suggested that you should exclusively make use of a transport company that has the necessary permits issued.
7. Whilst the directives are silent on the participation of rental agents in this process, more particularly the conducting of entry and exit inspections, we are of the view that, due to the integral role they play in this process and their expertise, their participation is vital. Consequently, and by implication, one would think that a rental agent would be permitted to attend to the inspections as aforesaid.
8. This directive brings a semblance of normality to the property industry, which is not only well received, but also vitally necessary to kickstart an industry which has been battered and bruised by this novel virus.

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FORM 1

**PERMIT TO TRAVEL TO ANOTHER PROVINCE, METROPOLITAN AREA OR DISTRICT FOR PURPOSES
OF RELOCATION**
Direction 3(b)

Note:

- This permit must be issued to the persons relocating
- This permit and any form of identification must be in the possession of the person to whom this permit is issued

I,

Full names:	
Surname:	
Identity number	

*Station commander/person designated by station commander of

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HEREBY ISSUE A PERMIT FOR *RELOCATION/TRANSPORTATION OF PERSONS,
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS TO:

Full names:			
Surname:			
Identity number			
Number of people travelling * Limited to number of people per vehicle, as per directions of Minister of Transport			
Address of residence relocating from			
Province relocating from			
Registration number of vehicle/s			
Contact details:	Cell nr	Tel No (h)	e-mail address
Address of residence relocating to			
Province relocating to (if different from current) province :			
Date of travel:			

I have verified that the person requesting the permit *produced the relevant lease agreement, indicating the date of expiry of the old lease and the commencement date of the new lease/ produced proof of purchase of residence and occupation date/produced the transfer documents attesting to the change of ownership of property..

Signed at _____ this ____ day of _____
2020.

*Station commander/person designated by him or her

Official stamp