



### FOR PSA MEMBERS: DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS (DHA) - WESTERN CAPE

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# Feedback: Provincial COVID-19 Steercom meeting – 6 December 2021

# Officials with co-morbidities

It was reported that only one official with co-morbidities applied for remote working, which was approved. A circular was issued on 3 November 2021, i.e., *Circular 46 of 2021*, which deals with staff with comorbidities. Members who have co-morbidities may apply for remote working arrangements with all the supporting documents from a health practitioner and submit to the manager. The manager must undertake a risk assessment and present the application, together with a recommendation, to the Independent Risk Assessment Committee. Members with co-morbidities are advised to engage their office managers with any concerns.

#### **Readiness assessment report**

The readiness assessment report (*attached*) has been provided after the District Management Officer made the final adjustments. The employer welcomed the PSA's observation in Paarl regarding the screening questionnaire that poses a risk of non-compliance. The employer engaged the office manager to resolve the matter and mitigating strategies are in place to address the matter. The PSA requested that the employer should investigate that the health questionnaire is done electronically via a *Google* app. The employer indicated that it will investigate this option.

## **COVID-19 vaccinations and youth forum**

It was advised that credible information, including testimonies regarding COVID-19 vaccinations, be shared with the youth to educate them about the advantages of vaccinating. The Provincial Manager encouraged office managers to utilise morning briefing sessions to encourage those who have not vaccinated yet.

The PSA wishes all members who are infected and/or affected by the COVID-19 pandemic a speedy recovery.

#### **GENERAL MANAGER**

District	Office name	Ttal staff	Staff	% of staff
		complime	expected	of duty
Overberg	Caledon	10	10	100%
Overberg	Bredasdorp	4	4	100%
Cape Metro	Mitchell's Plain MO	22	18	100%
Cape Metro	Bellville	48	48	100%
Cape Metro	Cape Town	75	75	100%

Cape Metro	Wynberg	37 on	35	100%
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		ent (2		
		officials		
		reporting		
		at other		
		offices as		
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		nt)		
Overberg	Swellendam	3	3	100%
overserg		5	5	10070
Overberg	Grabouw	4	4	100%
levenserg	Claboan			10070
Capa Matra	Khavalitaha	31	31	100%
Cape Metro	Khayelitsha	51	51	100%
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Cape Metro	Nyanga	21	21	100%
Cape Winelands	Ceres	5	5	100%

Cape Winelands		7	7	100%
Cape Winelands		4	4	100%
Cape Winelands	Worcester	15	15	100%
Cape Winelands		31	31	100%
Cape Winelands	Somerset West	15	15	100%
West Coast	Malmesbury	15	15	100%

West Coast	Vredendal			
		7	7	100%
West Coast	Vredenburg			
		5	5	100%
West Coast	Citrusdal			
		2	2	100%
West Coast	Atlantis	3	3 4	100% 100%
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Garden Route	George	23	23	100%
	5			
Garden Route	Mossel Bay	6	6	100%
Garden Route	Oudtshoorn	11	11	100%

Officials with Comobilities pluss officials over 60 ( only those working at home)	Staff arrangements	Front office floor space (m2)
5- comorbidities / 0 working from home	100.00%	Estimated 150 m2
0	100.00%	125m2
0	100.00%	152m2
5 - comorbidity / 0 working from home	Agreed working arrangements in existance	Ground Floor - 414 sq First Floor - 340 sq
0	100.00%	4165 (6 floors, services are rendered on the ground and first floor)

4 - comorbidity / 0 working from home	100.00%	OFFICE = 936m2 COLLECTION HUB = 111 m2
0	100.00%	3,6m -Client space ,4,6m the Front office space
1 comorbidity / 0 working from home	100.00%	Estimated 78 m2
6 comorbidity / 0 working from home	100.00%	900(m2)
0	100.00%	120m2
0	100.00%	8 m2 meter new space 16 m2 old space

2-comorbiditty / 0 working from home	Individual work arrangement entered into	350 SQUARE METRES
0	NA	20 m2
3-comorbiditty / 0 working from home	Individual work arrangement entered into	50 m2
6- comorbidities / 0 working from home	Staff with individual work arrangements	190m2
8 - comorbidity / 0 working from home	100.00%	450 m2
2 - comorbidities / 0 working from home	1x 60 year old working at back office - no client contact I	40 m2

		16m2
	use of back office and cashier	
1- comorbidities / 0	and limiting exposure to clients at	
working from home	a time	
	Individual work arrangement	
3-Comorbidiies / 0	entered into for staff with	
working from home	comorbidities,	60m2
	use of back office and cashier	35m2
1- comorbidities / 0	and limiting exposure to clients at	
working from home	a time	
1 comorbidities / 0	use of back office and cashier	30m2
working from home	and limiting exposure to clients at	
	a time	
	100.00%	40043
0	100.00%	1331m²
0	100.00%	140m²
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0	100%	261m²

0	100.00%	168m²
0	100.00%	162m²
0	100.00%	45m <sup>2</sup>
0	100.00%	122m²

Client capacity intake (50% of floor space) - nr of clients on floor at a time	Total number of counters available within the office ( per floor) i.e. Meeter greeter = X All service counters = X
Maximum 30 clients in office due to space constraints, limited to 15 during loadshedding due to extractor fan challenges	Meeter Greeter: x1 Photobooth: x2 Modernization counters: x5 BMD: x2
8	meeter greeter x1, BMD x1 , Collections x1, Applicationsx1 photobooth x1 Cashier x1
19	1x Meeter Greeter, 3X Photo Booth and 8X counters.
Ground floor = 37 Ist Floor = 52	Ground Floor: 20 counters (2 Meeter greeter, 3 photo booth and 15 front counters) First Floor: 11 counters ( 2 Information counter and 9 front counters)
50% nr of and clients on floor at time Ground floor 50% = 45 clients sited First floor 50% = 50 clients sited	<u>Ground floor</u> <u>Meter greeter = 3</u> <u>Collections = 4</u> <u>Applications = 11</u> <u>Photobooth = 2</u> <u>First floor</u>
	<u>Meeter greeter = 1</u> <u>Applications(Grade 12) = 2</u> <u>Photobooth = 2</u>

Current staff compliment : 35 , (Average leaves : 5 per day, different types of leave). 50 clients inside the office at a time. Collection HUB : 3 officials placed and 20 clients inside at a time = during LEVEL 1	OFFICE Meter greeter = 2 All service counters = 19 Photobooth = 2 COLLECTION HUB Meter greeter = 1 All service counters = 5	
4 at a time. Although you don't received that amount of clients at the same time	Only 1 Counter	
Maximum 9 clients in office due to space constraints	Meeter Greeter: x1 Photobooth: x1 Modernization counters: x2 BMD: x1	
Maximum of45 clients allowed in the office at any given time	2 xMeter greeter,5x counters, 2x collection, 2x Photo booth; 1Xcashier BMD: 7 counter plus 1xCashier 1XPrinting 1XMarriages	
50% of the office space is occupied. Clients are kept appart by isolating the chairs in the middle. All clients must be seated. One client is allowed at the counter at a time.	Meeter greeter = 1, Photo booth = 1, service counters = 5 (modernization and BMD)	
Max 6 old space Max 3 New space	3 in old office and 3 at new office	

20	1 CASHIER = 8 COUNTERS 1 COUNTER 1 1 COUNTER 3, 1 COUNTER 5 , 1 COUNTER 7 1 PHOTOBOOTH 1 MEETER GREETER 1 SUPERVISOR OFFICE AND 1 BACK OFFICE
Max 8	1 Meeter Greeter 1 Photoboth 1 FLO 1 BMD 1 collection cashier new space
20	1 x meter greeter 1 x photo booth 1 x cashiers booth 1 x FLO applications 1 x FLO collections 2 x All services (BMD)
Max 35	Meeter greeter = 1 Photo booth = 2 Modernization counters: applications = 4 Collections = 4 BMD Counters = 2 Cashier = 1 Total = 14
50	10
10	Meeter Greeter x 1 All service counter X 6

5	Meeter Greeter = 1 All
5	Services counters = $2$
16	4X Information and all services
10	2 COUNTERS USE DAILY FOR
	ALL SERVICES
10	1 Meeter Greeter 1 Photoboth 1
	FLO 1 BMD 1 collection cashier
	new space
Ground Floor = 35	Total number = 15
First Floor 6	Meeter Greeter x 2
Second Floor 2	Photo Booth x 2
	FLO x 2
	Collection x 4
	IRE x 1
	BMD x 3
	Switchboard x 1
6	Total number = 7
	Meeter Greeter x 1
	Photo Booth x 1
	IRE x 1
	BMD x 1
	FLO x 1
	Collection x 2
15	Total number = 8
	Meeter Greeter x 1
	Photo Booth x 1
	FLO x 1
	Collection x 2
	IRE x 1
	BMD x 1

4	Total = 7
4	
	Meeter Greeter x 1
	Photobooth x 1
	IRE x 1
	FLO x 1
	Collection x 2
	BMD x 1
10	Total number = 8
	Meeter Greeter x 1
	Photo Booth x 1
	Cashier x 1
	BMD x 2
	FLO x 1
	Collection x 2
2	3
2	Total = 4
	Photobooth/FLO x 1
	Collection/BMD x 1
	BMD x 1
	IRE x 1

Number of counters in use considering	Alternative service spaces identified		nce/ Maint
1,5 meters protocol	(example i.e.		rotocols (Y
	Marriage Registration services rendered from an office, cashier booth etc.)	Office	Staff
Meeter Greeter, Photobooth x1, Modernization x3, BMD x2	Marriage Room, Baby Room, Cashier Room	Yes	Yes
BMD, Applications, Photo booth, Cashier , Meeter Greeter	No extra space available If physical barriers can be provided to divide workstations	Yes	Yes
1X Meeter Greeter, X 2 Photo Booths and X4 counters.	Marriages are conducted in the marriage room	Yes	Yes
Ground floor: Meeter greeter 1 Offcial, photo booths 2 Officials, 8 Officials First floor: Information counter 1 Official, 5 Officials at front counters	Ground floor: 2 Officials at photo booth First floor: 1 Official at marriage room and 1 Official at photo booth	Yes	Yes
<u>Ground floor</u> <u>Meter greeter = 2</u> <u>Collections = 3</u> <u>Applications = 6</u> <u>Photobooth = 2</u> <u>First floor</u> <u>Meeter greeter = 1</u> <u>Applications(Grade 12) = 1</u> <u>Photobooth = 1</u>	<ol> <li>Marriages are conducted in the marriage room on the first floor</li> <li>For Grade 12 SIC project the following counters have been reserved:</li> <li>Counter 26 Photobotth 24</li> <li>Alternative space has been</li> </ol>	Yes	Yes

The counters are 1 - 1.5m apart, therefore all counters can be used if staff available. Meter greeter is a challenge as 2 officials work in small space.	N/A	Yes	Yes
1 Counter	No Alternative Space available for Marriage registration etc.	Yes	Yes
Meeter Greeter, Photobooth x1, Modernization x1, BMD x1	Office Manager/Marriage Room, Cashier Room	Yes	Yes
12 counters total - 7Xsmart card and collection and 7XBMD	Mariage is solemnized in Boardroom,Death and Birth on first floor with observation of required space in between the clients and officials	Yes	Yes
5 counters, including BMD = 2 and Modernization = 3		Yes	Yes
3 counters in total 2 counters in use and 1 counter inbetween	there is enough space to maintane 1.5 social distance for all 4 staff and clients at the office	Yes	Yes

MEETER GREETER, COUNTERS 1, 3,5,7 AND 1 PHOTOBOOTH	1 BACK OFFICE AND 1 CASHIER AND 1 SUPERVISOR OFFICE	Yes	Yes
all listed counters in use but officials are less than no of counters with officials manning mor than 1 counter	there is enough space to maintain 1.5 social distance for all 8 staff and clients at the office 1 Back Office and 1 Cashier 1 Stoor room	Yes	Yes
6	Marriage room and 4 offices available in back office if required	Yes	Yes
11	IMS services rendered from 2 offices, Death registration rendered from an office, Marriage registration rendered from an office & LRB services rendered from an office.	Yes	Yes
5	Switchboard used for birth registration (within 30 days) to accommodate a Cormmobidity official/s	Yes	Yes
Meeter Greeter x 1 All service counter X 4	No	Yes	Yes

2 Counters are being used daily	IRE = 1 The meeter greeter	Yes	Yes
and 1 extra counter for when the	counter are also equipt with a		
client volumes are high.	BMD computer to assist with		
	BMD applications.Back office		
	are being processed at an		
	additional office.		
Information counter x 1,All services	none	Yes	Yes
2 Counters are being used daily	MARRIAGE ROOM AND	Yes	Yes
and 1 extra counter for when the	CASHER BOOT USE FOR		
client volumes are high.	ALTERNATIVE SERVICES		
all listed counters in use but	Back office can be used	Yes	Yes
officials are less than no of			
counters with officials manning			
mor than 1 counter		<u> </u>	
7	1x Back office for Birth	Yes	Yes
	Registration and printing		
4	Marriage Room used by the	Yes	Yes
	Official with comorbidities		
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7	Marriage Room x 1 (converted to	Yes	Yes
	BMD counter 2)		
	Collection counter x 1 (moved to		
	2nd photobooth space)		
	Ladismith office x 2 (Mondays to		
	Tuesdays)		
	Mobile solution x 1 (for birth		

5	N/A	Yes	Yes
	Marriage from outside office, immigration from separate office	Yes	Yes
	N/A	Yes	Yes
3	N/A	Yes	Yes

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es/No) Clients
Clients
Yes

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Additional measures implemented to mitigate risks associated with increased staff and clients accessing the office

\* 1x 60 year old moved to Admin - back office functions, when at front counters only with strict protocol measures in place such as 1.5 m distance from client, sanitizers available for client & official, counter partially partisioned, extracter fans are permanently on,gloves available for official at each counter and masks are worn compulsory and available for rotation of used masks.

Sanitize frequently ,maintain social distance at all times

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Intensified cleaning regime

14 Staff with comorbidities working from back office or at counter spaces with limited contact with clients

Challenges outside queues - with maintaining social distance due to high volume - established partnership with SAPS to assist.

Management managing the floorwalkers ensure compliance inside the office. Social distance strickly maintained inside the office at all times.

Intensified cleaning regime

Some workstation counters closed to create a space of 1m-2m

8 x 60 years and above and officials with comorbidities have been removed from direct interaction with the public

2 x Archive, 3x Supervisors - only override functions, 2 counters with limited interaction, 1x cleaner with comorbidities - reduced working hours to avoid congested traffic .

Other staff with comorbidities: They have been placed in areas where the is less with no direct contact with the public.

Intensified cleaning regime 4 staff members with comorbitities deployed at back office Security officers in place, Floor walkers who checks and manage the queues.

Intensified cleaning regime

Intensified cleaning regime. One client permitted to seat in 3 bench seater.

Intensified cleaning regime All Covid -19 protocols adhered to and strictly maintained Staff with comorbidities placed at no/low contact areas

Intensified cleaning regime Strict enforcement of current COVID protocols

Intensified cleaning regime and compliance to all precautionary measures

Intensified cleaning with disinfecting of the chairs and front office areas done every hour than the 2 hours One client permitted to seat in 3 bench seater ( 20 Clients permitted inside) 750 ml bottle Sanitisers handed to staff when empty

Phased in approach will be applied

Social distance between the clients ,they must wear mask, check temperature and sanitizing of clients 8 clients permitted inside

Intensified cleaning regime Staff with co-morbidities placed in back office, switch board and cashiers booth(shielded). IMS uses back entrance to the office Phased in approach will be applied

Queues split into 4 queues Staff with Comorbidities placed at the Back Office to do processing Phased in approach will be applied

Intensified cleaning regime - Cleaber to clean all surfaces/Counters every 2 hours (daily)

All clients and staff are screened before being allowed to enter the building. Doors are periodically opened to maintain fresh air in the building. Phased in approach will be applied Posters are pasted to indicate were clients must stand for a specific service.Self made direction posters were pasted in order for the clients to be directed were to park.Maintain social distancing and still adhere to all Covid 19 regulations.Clients will remain to queue outside, due to office space.Official with co-morbidity are stationed at Cashier, back office and minnimal contact with clients.

Everyone is screened before entering the office, an access register is maintained, Intensified cleaning regime

adherence to all covid pre cautionary measures

Staff with comorbidities - back office limited contact with clients Separate services i.e. Birth registration Floor walking and queue management in place Enforce wearing of PPE's mask, face shields, gloves and sanitisers issued to all staff.

1 x Official with comorbidities placed at back office Officials encouraged not to have to much movement in the office to comply with social distancing requirements

6 x AC with commodities deployed as follows:
1 working at back office
5 working at front office
Comorbidity officials only deployed in the office and not to mobile venues.

Due to office space, clients will remain on the outside queue

Frontline officials with comorbidities will be released as required ,RITO will be on call rotated daily

Intensified cleaning regime Intensified cleaning regime