

L.N. 176 of 2017**TRADING LICENCES ACT
(CAP. 441)****Business Hours (Amendment) Regulations, 2017**

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by article 17 of the Trading Licences Act, the Minister responsible for the Economy, Investment and Small Business, has made the following regulations:-

Citation.

1. The title of these regulations is the Business Hours (Amendment) Regulations, 2017 and these regulations shall be read and construed as one with the Business Hours Regulations, hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations".

S.L. 441.08.

Substitutes
regulation 3 of
the principal
regulations.

2. Regulation 3 of the principal regulations shall be substituted by the following:

"3. (1) Unless otherwise provided under the First Schedule to these regulations, throughout the period from 8 January to 31 October, the normal business hours shall be as follows:

(a) for any commercial activity carried out from a premises from Monday to Friday (including public holidays with the exclusion of Good Friday) - from 4.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.;

(b) for any commercial activity carried out from a premises on Saturday (including public holidays) - from 4.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.;

(c) for a commercial activity listed in the Second Schedule and carried out from a premises on Sunday - from 4.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.".

Substitutes
regulation 4 of
the principal
regulations.

3. Regulation 4 of the principal regulations shall be substituted by the following:

"Business hours
between the 1st
November and the
7th January.

4. Unless otherwise provided under the First Schedule to these regulations, throughout the period from 1st November to 7th January of the following year, both days included, the business hours for any commercial activity carried out from a premises shall be Mondays to Sundays from 4.00 a.m. to 10.00 p.m.".

4. The Schedule of the principal regulations shall be amended as follows:

Amends the Schedule of the principal regulations.

- (a) for the words "Schedule" there shall be substituted the words "First Schedule";
- (b) item 5 of the Schedule shall be deleted;
- (c) item 6 shall be renumbered as item 5;
- (d) in item 5 as re-numbered, the words "and up to 6.00 p.m. on Sunday or any other Public Holiday" shall be deleted;
- (e) items 7, 8 and 9 shall be renumbered as items 6, 7 and 8 respectively;
- (f) immediately after item 8 as renumbered, there shall be added the following new item 9 as follows:

"9. Special opening hours in Malta and Gozo

Commercial premises predominantly selling any of the following items may open for business on any day of the week including Sundays and other Public Holidays between 6.00 a.m. and 11.00 p.m. of the same day:

- (a) beverages, sweets and tobacco products; or
 - (b) fish, crustaceans and mollusks; or
 - (c) watches, clocks and jewellery; or
 - (d) souvenirs, craft-work and religious articles;
- or
- (e) books, newspapers, stationery and office items; or
 - (f) perfumery items; or
 - (g) swimming and diving equipment; or
 - (h) photographic, optical and related precision items:

Provided that this shall apply only in the Tourist Localities listed hereunder and Gozo:

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Birżebbuġa

Cospicua

Gżira

Marsascalea

Marsaxlokk

Mdina

Mellieħa

Msida

Rabat

Senglea

Sliema

St Julian's

St Paul's Bay

Swieqi

Ta' Qali Crafts Village in the locality of Attard

Ta' Xbiex

Valletta

Vittoriosa

Wied iż-Żurriq in the locality of Qrendi"

(g) items 10 and 11 shall be deleted;

(h) items 12, 13 and 14 shall be renumbered as items 10, 11 and 12 respectively.

Adds new
Second
Schedule to the
principal
regulations.

5. After the First Schedule of the principal regulations there shall be added the new Second Schedule as follows:

"Second Schedule

(Regulation 3 (1) (c))

Commercial activities which may be carried out from a premises on
Sundays between - 4.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m during the period from 8th
January to 31st October

Type Code Type of Licence:

52.11	Retail sale in non-specialised stores with food, beverages and tobacco predominating
52.21	Retail sale of food in specialised stores selling predominantly fruit and vegetables
52.22	Retail sale of food in specialised stores selling predominantly meat and meat products
52.25	Retail sale of food and beverages in specialised stores selling predominantly alcoholic and other beverages
52.27	Retail sale of food and beverages in specialised stores selling predominantly other food products not elsewhere classified
52.12	Retail sale in non-specialised stores in which food products should not be predominant
52.26	Retail sale in specialised store selling predominantly tobacco products
52.32	Retail sale in specialised store selling predominately medical and orthopaedic goods
52.33	Retail sale in specialised store selling predominantly cosmetics and toiletries
52.41	Retail sale in specialised store selling predominantly textiles
52.42	Retail sale in specialised store selling predominantly clothing
52.43	Retail sale in specialised store selling predominantly footwear and leather goods
52.44	Retail sale in specialised store selling predominantly furniture, lighting equipment and other household articles
52.45	Retail sale in specialised store selling predominantly electrical household appliances and radio and television goods
52.46	Retail sale in specialised store selling predominantly hardware, paints and glass
52.48.1	Other retail sale in specialised stores selling predominantly office equipment, computers and non-customised software
52.48.3	Other retail sale in specialised stores selling predominantly telecommunications equipment
52.48.5	Other retail sale in specialised stores selling predominantly wallpaper and floor coverings
52.48.6	Other retail sale in specialised stores selling predominantly carpets and rugs
52.48.8	Other retail sale and maintenance in specialised stores selling predominantly sports goods, fishing gear, camping goods, boats and bicycles

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52.48.9	Other retail sale in specialised stores selling predominantly games and toys
52.48.12	Other retail sale in specialised stores selling predominantly stamps and coins
52.48.13	Other retail sale in specialised stores selling predominantly non-food products not elsewhere classified
52.5	Retail sale of second hand goods in stores
52.52	Catering; supply of prepared food

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