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SUBJECT: UPDATED GUIDELINES FOR SAFE FILMING & SOUND RECORDINGS

Relevant documents:

[1] The extract from minutes of the 279th meeting (28.04.2022) of the National Committee of Protection of Public Health against the COVID-19.

[2] The Joint Ministerial Decision no. Δ1α/ΓΠ.οικ. 23983 Government Gazette.2137B /30.04.2022

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- This document is based on the guidelines and recommendations of the Hellenic Ministry of Health's Covid-19 Expert Committee and provides guidance on how to conduct film shoots and sound recording sessions safely.
- This document replaces any previous document on this subject.
- Interested parties are requested to regularly visit the announcements page of the Hellenic Ministry of Culture and Sport, where they will be notified of any amendments to this directive.

All employees of public and private sector, who are not fully vaccinated or recovered as per the para. 2 and 3 of article 9 of ref. 3 definition, respectively, and provide work with a physical presence within or outside the premises of the filming/recording, are obliged to carry out diagnostic control one (1) time per week by the method of molecular testing (PCR) or by the use of rapid detection of antigen COVID-19 (rapid test) at private diagnostic laboratories, as defined in P.D 84/2001 (A' 70), or in private clinics or pharmacies, or a private doctor, at their own expense, in accordance with the data Δ1α/Γ.Π.οικ.55570/12.9.2021 (B'4207) joint ministerial decisions, as amended by the Δ1α/Γ.Π.οικ.69461/5.11.2021 (B'5163) similar decision and with the Δ1α/Γ.Π.οικ.64232/15.10.2021 (B'4766) joint ministerial decision, as per amended by the Δ1α/Γ.Π.οικ.69459/5.11.2021 (B'5165) similar decision, respectively and as each of them in force.

a. Filming / recording venues

- Ventilation of premises with natural or artificial way in application of the data Δ1(δ)/ΓΠ.οικ.26335/23.4.2020 and Δ1/ΓΠ.οικ.81816/18.12.2020 circulars of the Ministry of Health that are posted, respectively, on the websites: <https://www.moh.gov.gr/articles/health/dieythynsh-dhmosias-ygieinhs/metra-prolh-pshs-enanti-koronoioy-sars-cov-2/7108-hpshmetrwn-diasfalishs-ths-dhmosias-ygieinhs-apo-iogeneis-kai-alles-loimwksei-s-kata-thshshklimatistikwn-monadwn> and <https://www.moh.gov.gr/articles/health/dieythynsh-dhmosias-ygieinhs/metra-prolh-pshs-enanti-koronoioy-sars-cov-2/8149-systaseis-gia-ton-eksaerismo-eswterikwn-xwrwn-kata-th-xeimerinh-periodo-y-po-to-prisma-ths-pandhmias-toy-ioy-sars-cov-2>
- Installation/use of antiseptic alcohol solution over seventy percent (70%) must be in place for the sanitisation of the hands.
- Indoors spaces must be disinfected using a 10:1 chlorine solution, meaning 9 parts water to 1 part chlorine, before and after every filming/sound recording. The

same applies to the toilets. For surfaces which are likely to be damaged by the use of bleach (sodium hypochlorite), a 70% ethanol solution can be used. Particular emphasis should be given to surfaces which are touched frequently, such as door knobs, on/off switches, handrails etc.

- At hygiene spaces the following hygiene rules must be applied that will include:

- o Good ventilation

- o Closing the toilet lid before flushing

- o The use of paper or plastic disposable seat covers is desirable

- o Running water and soap, paper towels and a foot-operated waste bin should be provided

- o Where possible, equipment with movement sensitivity or foot switch should be used (e.g. for the tap, soap dispenser)

- o Hand drier machines should not be used

- o If the sinks have not been used in a long time, it is recommended that the hot water should be left to run for 5 minutes before the first use.

b. Conducting film shoots / sound recordings

- The use of non-medical protective masks is obligatory (instructions for use in data Δ1α/Γ.Π.17917/22.3.2021 circular of the Ministry of Health, posted on website:

<https://www.moh.gov.gr/articles/health/dieythynsh-dhmosias-ygieinhs/metra-prolh-pshs-enantikoronoiy-sars-cov-2/8607-systaseis-anaforika-me-thn-xrhsh-ths-ma-skas-sto-plaisio-thspandhmias-covid-19> : (a) all of the interior spaces, including workplaces, with the exception of those who work in a private space without the presence of any other person. Exempted from the obligation to use the mask :

- (a) the persons to which the use of masks is not indicated for medical reasons that can be proven with appropriate documentation, such as respiratory problems, and (b) children under the age of four (4) years.
- The use of the mask is mandatory for everyone, except those who participate in the shooting scene / sound recording.
- It is strongly recommended to use the face masks at crowded outdoors spaces
- Installation and / use of antiseptic alcohol solution (70%)

- All equipment used should have been disinfected in the manner specified by the manufacturer prior to being placed in the venue
- Special care should be taken with personnel who belong to vulnerable groups
- Personnel who manifest symptoms of illness must leave the venue immediately, while wearing a mask.

The above measures are indicative and cannot cover every possible situation; they must therefore be implemented in parallel with whatever broader measures are in force. For this reason, it is essential to visit the website of the Greek National Health Service at <https://eody.gov.gr/> and <https://covid19.gov.gr/> regularly in order to stay up to date with the latest developments.

Everyone involved should demonstrate the requisite individual responsibility, thereby protecting both themselves and other people. Production companies in particular should take care to protect workers and to implement additional measures stemming from the particular features and needs of a given space or shoot/recording session, at their discretion.

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