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NEW COVID-19 REGULATIONS FOR FUNERALS

- New regulations governing who may attend a funeral under the Coronavirus-enforced lockdown have been put in place by the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (Cogta).
- Cogta Minister Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma has gazetted further amendments to the regulations on the
 COVID-19 lockdown in order to flatten the infection curve.
- The regulations now outline a process on how people -- who wish to travel between provinces or metropolitan and district areas to attend a burial or cremation -- can obtain a permit.
- Only the following people, who live outside a province or metropolitan and district areas, may attend a funeral:
 - spouse or partner of the deceased;
 - children of the deceased, whether biological, adopted or stepchildren.
 - children-in-law of the deceased:
 - parents of the deceased whether biological, adopted or stepparents;
 - siblings, whether biological, adopted or stepbrother or sister of the deceased;
 - grandparents of the deceased; and
 - persons closely affiliated to the deceased.
- In order to obtain a permit a Magistrate, who is the head of office or a station commander of a police station or a person designated by him or her, must be provided with a death certificate or a certified copy of a death certificate.
- The COVID-19 regulations and amendment may be accessed for download at: http://www.cogta.gov.za/?p=7871 or https://bit.ly/2X46YJI
- For the full article visit: https://www.sanews.gov.za/south-africa/sa-rolls-out-mobile-covid-19-testing-units



