Coronavirus Ireland: Ten key measures announced by the government to curb Covid-19

Here are the key 10 new restrictive measures announced by the government:

1. All theatres, clubs, gyms/leisure centres, hairdressers, betting shops, marts, markets, casinos, bingo halls, libraries, holiday parks and playgrounds and other similar outlets will close by midnight March 24.
2. All non-essential retail outlets to close to the public and all other retail outlets to implement social distancing.
3. Social gatherings outdoors should be of no more than for people except for people from the same household.
4. All sporting events have been cancelled, including those behind closed doors.
5. The Covid-19 Pandemic Unemployment Payment is set to increase from €203 to €350 with self employed individuals to be included in the scheme. The Covid 19 illness payment will also be increased to €350 per week.
6. All cafes and restaurants should limit supply to takeaway and delivery only.
7. An emergency wage subsidy scheme under which the Government will pay 70% of a worker's salary up to a cap of €410 per week net - equivalent to the after-tax income of a worker on around €40,000 - payments start from Friday and scheme will run for 12 weeks.
8. Gardai are to increase presence in public parks an interventions where venues and outlets are not following guidelines.
9. Closure of schools, universities and childcare facilities is extended to April 19.
10. People should not use public transport unless absolutely necessary, cleaning schedules onboard are to be improved