

Barcelona: proposed restrictions on group size in the old town

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Application to the Ciutat Vella District of art. 1.3 of the Ordinance of 27 November 1998, on the movement of pedestrians and vehicles in Barcelona

ANNOUNCEMENTS

By Mayor's Decree dated June 16, 2022, the Mayor of Barcelona has adopted the following resolution:

"In view of the special circumstances of occupation and use of the public space of the Ciutat Vella District that are justified in the file, I:

FIRST. – **RESTRICT** the guided groups for tourist purposes in the Ciutat Vella District to a maximum of 15 people, plus the person who guides.

SECOND. - **ESTABLISH** a one-way traffic for these guided groups in the following sections of streets, roads, and squares in the Ciutat Vella District:

- Plaça Sant Felip Neri: access via C / Montjuic del Bisbe and exit via C / Sant Felip Neri
- C / de Salomó ben Adret: mountain towards the sea
- C / Sant Honorat: sea towards the mountains
- C / del Bisbe: mountain towards the sea
- C / Paradís: mountain towards the sea
- C / Marlet: Llobregat towards Besòs
- C / Call: Besòs towards Llobregat
- Plaça Isidre Nonell: entrance via Plaça del 8 de Març and exit via Plaça Isidre Nonell
- Access to the loading and unloading zones of Passeig Colom: climb C / Regomir and descent C / dels Lledó
- Plaça Santa Maria: C / Argenteria, towards Plaça Santa Maria, towards Fossar de les Moreres, towards Paseo del Born.

THIRD. - **ESTABLISH** that the activity of guiding in the District of Ciutat Vella must take place in circulation without stopping, especially in the moments of high influx of

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pedestrians, except for the following spaces or monuments, at which defined maximum limits apply, in order to make explanations in situ, which must be brief on days of much influx of groups:

Space / monument

Plaça Sant Jaume – 8 GROUPS Royal Square - 8 GROUPS King's Square – 5 GROUPS

Fossar de les Moreres (located on the edges) Passeig del Born – 3 GROUPS

Facade of Santa Maria del Mar Plaça del Pi - 3 GROUPS

Plaça Sant Felip Neri – 3 GROUPS

Isidre Nonell Square – 2 GROUPS

Carrer de Salomó Ben Adret / Manuel Ribé and sur. Plaça de la Barceloneta – 1 GROUP Facade of the Palau de la Música (Plaça Lluís Millet) – 1 GROUP

FOURTH. - **FORBID** the use of megaphones by the guides of the groups and ENCOURAGE the use of audio guides.

FIFTH. - **ESTABLISH** that the provisions of this Decree are applicable for a period of six months from the day after their final approval.

SIXTH.- SUBMIT this Decree to public information, for a period of TWENTY DAYS, by means of an announcement published in the Official Gazette of the Province of Barcelona, in the Municipal Gazette and in the electronic bulletin board of Barcelona City Council for which Anyone can consult it at the Technical Office of Customer Service of the Ciutat Vella District (C / Ramelleres 17, first floor) and on the Barcelona City Council Public Exhibition website (https://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/ca/informacio-administrativa/exposicio-publica)

SEVENTH. - **PROVIDE** that if no allegation or claim is made during the period of public information and hearing of the interested parties, the prohibition that is now initially approved will be approved definitively without the need for any further procedure, and publication will proceed directly.

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