

NJMPF Lockdown Update 07/05/2020

LIVING IN LEVEL 4

On 1 May 2020, the country moved to COVID19 Level 4 and while there are some relaxations in place and more industries going back to work, the need to stay home and keep safe is still crucial. Please reiterate to your families the need to wash hands thoroughly during the day, wear face masks when leaving the home and maintain social distancing always.

COVID19 INFORMATION

In one of our previous Lockdown Notices we advised that the content regarding the pandemic on the website www.sacoronavirus.co.za was highly informative and we encourage you to visit the site if you haven't already. We also invite you to visit the NJMPF website – www.njmpf.co.za where we have posted some Fund specific information:-

- Video clip from our CEO, Mr Bonginkosi Mkhize watch his address about what the Fund is doing during the lockdown,
- Weekly Lockdown Notices under the News section,
- Funeral scheme update
- How to make a 'no sew' mask competition where you stand a chance to win a smartphone!

In helping protect yourself and those around you, the NJMPF's mask challenge is still running. Make your own mask using the steps on page two or get creative and share pictures of your home made masks with us on social media and you could win a smartphone.

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

A significant portion of retirement funding portfolios lie in equities, whether local or international. The local component of investable equities in South Africa are traded on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE) and a good measure of performance is the JSE All Share Index. The low point during the pandemic for this index was on 19th March 2020, so it is pleasing to note a marked improvement in the index performance since then.

The NJMPF is monitoring its investment portfolio on a daily basis and members and pensioners should again be consoled by the professional management of the Funds assets and the long term nature of the strategy.

ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

All Pensioners were paid on 28th April 2020 and Resignation and Retirement lump sums continue to be processed and paid weekly.

GOING GREEN

On the 6th March 2020, the Fund launched the NJMPF GOING GREEN project. The aim of the project is make our staff, pensioners and members aware of climate change, the need to recycle plastic products and challenge all of you to start or continue to grow vegetables at home. If you are keen to take part in the project, please let us know.

STAY IN CONTACT WITH US

Members and Pensioners are invited to contact us to make enquiries about their benefits or to find out how the Fund is dealing with the impact of the COVID19 pandemic and the lockdown. Get hold of us via email at info@njmpf.co.za, by phone on 031-2795300 or 0861065673 or fax 0312666715.