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LIVE ENTERTAINMENT RESTRICTIONS EFFECTIVE JUNE 8, 2020

The Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs (DLCA) is informing the public and businesses that the Virgin Islands Government has developed Guidances to protect the community and avoid transmission of the COVID-19 virus. As such, the Virgin Islands Department of Health (VIDOH) have updated the COVID-19 Guidance for Restaurants, Bars and Nightclubs by allowing restricted live entertainment effective Monday, June 8, 2020.

Currently, there are no restrictions on live entertainment. However, effective June 8, 2020, live entertainment shall only be allowed pursuant to the VIDOH Guidance which clearly states that Live music or DiscJockey (DJ) **shall NOT be permitted AFTER 12 midnight**. Restaurants, bars, and nightclubs must also be aware of the following:

- Live band or DJs shall be set up with space of ten (10) feet between the band and patrons using social distancing principles. A clear barrier between live music and patrons may be considered but is not required.
- No live bands or DJs in open public areas.
- Event centers and banquet halls must comply with mass gathering mandates of less than 50 people or 50 percent of the occupancy capacity (whichever is less).
- Restaurant, bars, and nightclubs shall post COVID-19 Guidance in a prominent place in the business establishment.

For a copy of the COVID-19 Guidance for Restaurants, Bars and Nightclubs, you may visit DLCA website at www.dlca.vi.gov or contact the Virgin Islands Department of Health. The Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs appreciates the public's cooperation. Consumers or Merchants with questions may contact the Consumer Affairs Division on St. Croix at 713-3522, on St. Thomas at 714-3522, or on St. John at 693-8036.

