

**SUSPENSION OF CONSTRUCTION WORKS ON EXISTING BUILDINGS
WHERE THERE IS A RISK OF CONTAGION BY COVID-19**

In the context of the coronavirus health crisis, the government has approved new exceptional measures in terms of intervention works on existing buildings in [Order SND/340/2020 of 12 April](#).

In order to guarantee the containment of the pandemic, the Government has agreed to **suspend the execution of certain intervention works** in which the gathering of people in the existing buildings in which they are being developed, implies that the workers must share certain common spaces, either with residents or other users, **entailing the risk of infection by COVID-19**.

Specifically, it establishes the suspension of all types of construction work involving an intervention in existing buildings, in cases where, in the building where the work is to be carried out, there are people not related to the activity of executing the construction works, and who, due to their permanent or temporary location, or to traffic needs, and who for reasons of residence, work, or others, may interfere with the activity of carrying out the work or with the movement of workers or the transfer of materials.

Excluded from the approved suspension are those works in which there is no interference with persons not related to the work due to the circumstances of sectorisation or separation within the building, as well as those works and specific interventions that have the purpose of carrying out urgent repairs of installations and breakdowns, as well as surveillance tasks.

This measure, whose objective is to avoid the risk of propagation and contagion of COVID-19, **comes into force on April 12, 2020 and will maintain its effects until the end of the state of alarm and its extensions**, or until there are public health circumstances that justify the approval of a new order modifying the terms of the approved order.

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