

## CORONAVIRUS LOCKDOWN: REGULATIONS FOR MUNICIPALITIES FACT SHEET

## Municipalities are empowered to protect communities in the fight against COVID-19.

- The regulations allow municipalities and municipal entities to be exempted from a provisions of the Municipal Finance Management Act in the fight against COVID-19.
- The regulations allow municipalities to take necessary action between the date of publication of the regulations and the date that the national state of disaster lapses.
- Municipal councils may pass a special adjustment budget before the end of the 2019/2020 municipal financial year to authorise all expenditure to address the COVID-19 pandemic
- Through the exemptions, government is strengthening its programmes at local level to fight COVID -19.
- Members of the public are urged to contact Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs on +27 12 334 0600 or on info@cogta.gov.za