

DBKL sticks to midnight closure for convenience stores and eateries

KUALA LUMPUR: The Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) has decided to maintain operating hours for businesses here till midnight throughout the recovery movement control order (MCO) period.

The call was made at the Federal Territory of Kuala Lumpur's crisis management meeting on Friday, said DBKL in a statement.

Senior Minister Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Yaakob announced on Thursday that operating hours for business premises such as eateries and convenience stores had been extended until 2am from midnight previously.

DBKL said the move was to standardise business closing times in the capital and this would facilitate efficient monitoring by DBKL

and other agencies.

It also noted that throughout the recovery MCO period, DBKL and the other agencies checked 7,200 businesses here for standard operating procedure (SOP) compliance.

"The monitoring carried out every day found that the level of SOP compliance could still be improved."

The decision to extend operating hours came about after numerous business owners complained that their income was affected.

With regards to this, DBKL urges the cooperation of businesses and the public to comply with the SOP and continue to wear face masks, maintain cleanliness and keep social distancing in public places. — Bernama

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