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COVID-19: MTA INSPECTS OUTLETS

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During the ongoing inspections that the Malta Tourism Authority carried out on Wednesday 08th April 2020, a snack bar in St Paul's Bay was found to be in breach of the terms of Legal Notice 76 of 2020. Patrons were found consuming beverages whilst seated on benches in an area outside the premises. The establishment was fined €3000 for this infringement.

Meanwhile, the MTA continued with its inspections of restaurants, bars, snack-bars, and other catering establishments with the aim of ensuring compliance with the Covid-19 regulations.

More than 1100 inspections were carried out during the 24-hours since the last report.

In Malta, more than 850 inspections were carried out in 14 different localities. Of these, more than 430 inspections took place in the Sliema/Gzira/St Julian's area and more than 195 establishments were checked in the Bugibba/Qawra/St Paul's Bay area. In Gozo, MTA checked over 160 establishments located in 17 towns and villages.

Since the relevant Legal Notices came into force, the number of inspections around Malta and Gozo has surpassed 19,500 inspections. More than 15,900 inspections have taken place in Malta and over 3,600 were carried out in Gozo.

MTA reminds the general public on the need to practice social distancing and to remain as much as possible at home. Anyone who encounters any breaches can inform the authority via its Tourism COVID-19 helpline: 21692447 or email: tourismcovid-19helpline@visitmalta.com.

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