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New measures impose for entry to restricted area

The Recovery Operation Center ROC has introduced new measures aimed at effective management of movements of individuals entering the existing restricted area of the Central Business District.

In this new rule, the Vanuatu Police Force members stationed at the entry to the restricted areas of the CBD will now allow people with ROC Access Pass to go in and out between 8am to 3.30pm daily. The Vanuatu Police Force will have access to detailed information on all names for business owners who have been issued with ROC Access Pass.

ROC chairman, John Ezra says at these entry points, business owners, managers, and supervisors will be required to undergo a cross-checking process, requiring them to sign a disclaimer form before receiving a police temporary access pass, which must be returned upon exiting the restricted area.

He made it clear that neither the government nor the ROC will be responsible for incidents that occur in these areas.

“Anyone found to be using ROC Access Pass for another person or for any other reason other than what was stated in your application, will have the person’s Access Pass deregistered from the system, and the owner of the Access Pass will no longer be issued a second Access Pass”, he warned.

This new rule aims to closely monitor and manage the movement of business owners and staff entering and exiting restricted areas which is still without water and electricity.

Approved by



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