Measures taken by
Izmir Metropolitan Municipality
ESHOT General Directorate
within the scope of combating the epidemic
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Izmir Metropolitan Municipality ESHOT General Directorate has decided to reduce the passenger capacity in public transportation vehicles by 50 percent in order to minimize the spread of COVID-19 and to provide social isolation to the maximum extent.

In order not to encourage to go out, the public transport service reduces the number of midday trips in transportation; time intervals are extended.
GREEN SEAT APPLICATION

By reducing the total capacity of our public transportation vehicles by 50 percent, social distance between our passengers is maintained. In this context, with the aim of increasing social awareness, are the seats in the buses at regular intervals marked with cross stickers in green; warning pictures have been prepared for passengers to sit in these seats.
The important decisions that reduce the circulation of urban transport, make transportation rare and put ‘stay at home’ in the center, are taken by the Transportation Supreme Board chaired by Tunç SOYER, the Mayor of Izmir Metropolitan Municipality.

In this framework, hourly trips between 10am –4pm; after 9pm, an hourly service with a limited number of lines from all districts are regulated.

Between 6am-10am and 4pm-9pm, which are the working start and end hours, the public transport is working at full capacity.
All employees working in the health sector, pharmacists and pharmacy staff have been given free access to public transportation. With this, the aim is to provide motivation to health professionals who serve under difficult conditions, as well as to minimize the risk of virus spread.
Four separate bus routes have been determined for hospitals in the city. The vehicles allocated to these lines make mutual trips in accordance with the hospital staff shift changing hours. Though communication with the administrative departments of the hospitals, changing and instantaneous developing needs are also responded rapidly.
Due to the curfew announced on weekends, 25 buses are reserved only for urgent transport needs at the city’s hospitals, exclusively for Saturdays and Sundays.
The driver’s cab in the busses is covered with transparent material and turned into an isolated cabin. It is ensured that all the personnel in charge are equipped with masks and other protective equipment.
FIBERGLAS FACE
PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

ESHOT General Directorate, using human and material resources; has manufactured 3000 face shields in institutional workshops; distributed them to employees.
DISINFECTANTS FOR PUBLIC USE

To provide hygiene, hand dispensers are supplied to the bus stops and buses, especially for transfer centers where the passenger density is high.
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