Corona lockdown in Austria extended

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Due to the current developments of COVID-19 in Austria the lockdown was extended. Following rules apply:

Minimum distance:
As of January 25th, two-meter minimum distance must be kept from non-household persons

FFP2 masks:
From now on it is recommended to wear FFP2 masks instead of normal mouth-nose protection in some areas (e.g. trade and public transport). As of January 25th, the wearing of FFP2 masks is mandatory! FFP2-masks are to be offered in supermarkets at cost price.

Curfew until 7 February
Round-the-clock curfew restrictions are still in effect. You may only leave your own apartment/home for the following reasons:

- Averting a danger to body and soul, life and property
- Care for relatives and people who need help
- Basic needs of life:
  - Contact with the life partner who does not live in the same household, as well as with individual closest important reference persons
  - Basic supply (e.g.: food shopping)
  - Healthcare service
  - Coverage of a housing need
  - Religious basic needs
  - Supply of animals
- Professional activities and educational purposes
- Physical and mental recovery
- Immediate official channels and court dates

Further regulations and opening steps:
- Schools remain in distance learning until the end of the semester:
  Return to regular classes in shifts is planned after the semester break, which is from February 8th to 12th (school starting February 15th in Styria).
- Shops, hairdresser, other service providers & museums remain closed until February 7
- Opening of shops is currently planned for February 8th
- Gastronomy and hotels remain closed! No opening until the end of February
- Recommendation for home office
- Outdoor sports (such as skiing and ice skating) are allowed

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