

The Rwandan government announced Friday that it was lifting curfew as well as the reopening of the land borders, after having noted a notable regression of the Covid-19 epidemic. The cabinet meeting held on March 4, 2022 relaxed the preventive measures against coronavirus by lifting the curfew decreed since Rwanda confirmed the first case in March 2020.

The cabinet decided that bars, nightclubs, receptions and gambling activities must close at 2 a.m. and authorized the reopening of land borders as of March 7, 2022. Crossing land borders from Rwanda was subject to special permission.

With the exception of businesses that must close at 2 a.m., other businesses will operate 24 hours a day from when they were forced to close at 11 p.m. Public buses are allowed to continue operating at full capacity with seated passengers and 75% non-seated passengers.

Nightclubs and other enclosed and recreational spaces will also be able to reopen. The tenants and managers of these establishments must however require their customers to present proof of their vaccination. Only children under the age of 12 are not allowed to present proof of vaccination.

In Rwanda, the proportion of people fully vaccinated against the Coronavirus is more than 60%, according to the ministry of health.