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COVID-19 (TEMPORARY MEASURES) ACT 2020
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COVID-19 (TEMPORARY MEASURES)
(CONTROL ORDER) (AMENDMENT NO. 21)
REGULATIONS 2021

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 34(1) of the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Act 2020, the Minister for Health makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) (Amendment No. 21) Regulations 2021 and come into operation on 22 November 2021.

Amendment of regulation 2

2. Regulation 2 of the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) Regulations 2020 (G.N. No. S 254/2020) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended —

- (a) by deleting the definition of “community eating place” in paragraph (1);
- (b) by deleting paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of the definition of “dining-in activity cohort” in paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraphs:
 - “(a) for any retail food and drinks establishment — 5 or fewer individuals in total who are either —
 - (i) all uncleared juniors all from the same household;
 - (ii) all individuals each with a cleared status; or

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- (iii) a mix of uncleared juniors (all from the same household) and other individuals each with a cleared status;
 - (b) for a place at which a retail liquor business is for the time being carried on — 5 or fewer individuals in total who are all individuals each with a cleared status;”;
 - (c) by deleting paragraph (b) of the definition of “personalised service cohort” in paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph:
 - “(b) that consists of 5 or fewer individuals in total who are either —
 - (i) all uncleared juniors all from the same household;
 - (ii) all individuals each with a cleared status; or
 - (iii) a mix of uncleared juniors (all from the same household) and other individuals each with a cleared status;”;
 - (d) by deleting paragraph (b) of the definition of “sporting activity cohort” in paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph:
 - “(b) that consists of 5 or fewer individuals in total who are either —
 - (i) all uncleared juniors all from the same household;
 - (ii) all individuals each with a cleared status; or
 - (iii) a mix of uncleared juniors (all from the same household) and other individuals each with a cleared status;”;and

(e) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (6), the following paragraphs:

“(7) In these Regulations, for an individual who is attending a nuptial event (whether as a guest, a celebrant or a party to the marriage) —

“approved antigen rapid test” means an antigen rapid test performed in Singapore in relation to an individual using any of the test products specified in the Schedule to the Infectious Diseases (Antigen Rapid Test Providers) Regulations 2021 (G.N. No. S 267/2021), the purpose of which is to test for the presence of SARS-CoV-2 in that individual;

“approved supervisor” means the person having the charge, management or control of the room or place where the nuptial event takes place or is to take place, either on the person’s own account or as agent of another person, during that period;

“enhanced cleared status” means that —

(a) he or she has a cleared status (general) that is current under the Infectious Diseases (Mass Gathering Testing for Coronavirus Disease 2019) Regulations 2021 and, within the period of 24 hours before the end of the nuptial event —

(i) he or she undergoes an approved test or approved tests or a supervised self-administered antigen rapid test; and

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- (ii) his or her approved test result is treated under those Regulations either as negative for SARS-CoV-2 or an atypical finding for SARS-CoV-2, or the result from the supervised self-administered antigen rapid test shows no presence of SARS-CoV-2 in that individual; or
- (b) he or she is an uncleared junior and, within the period of 24 hours before the end of the nuptial event —
- (i) he or she undergoes an approved test or approved tests or a supervised self-administered antigen rapid test; and
 - (ii) his or her approved test result is treated under those Regulations either as negative for SARS-CoV-2 or an atypical finding for SARS-CoV-2, or the result from the supervised self-administered antigen rapid test shows no presence of SARS-CoV-2 in that uncleared junior;

“supervised self-administered antigen rapid test” means —

- (a) the individual removing a respiratory specimen from the lining of his or her oral or nasal passage under the supervision of an approved supervisor for the purpose of subjecting the respiratory specimen

to an approved antigen rapid test under paragraph (b);

- (b) the individual then subjecting, under the supervision of an approved supervisor, the respiratory specimen removed under paragraph (a) to an approved antigen rapid test for the purpose of testing for the presence of SARS-CoV-2 in that individual; and
- (c) the individual or approved supervisor then ascertaining the results of the approved antigen rapid test and recording the results, even if uncertain or invalid.

(8) For the purposes of paragraph (7), an individual is treated as undergoing or having undergone an approved test in the same manner as under the Infectious Diseases (Mass Gathering Testing for Coronavirus Disease 2019) Regulations 2021.”.

Amendment of regulation 3A

3. Regulation 3A(2) of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately after the words “regulation 3B” in sub-paragraph (h), the words “, 7A or 8”.

Amendment of regulation 3B

4. Regulation 3B of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the words “to which a wedding relates” in paragraph (c), the words “and does not have an enhanced cleared status”; and
- (b) by inserting, immediately after the words “of their marriage” in paragraph (d), the words “and does not have an enhanced cleared status”.

Miscellaneous amendment on cohort size

5. The principal Regulations are amended by deleting “2” wherever it appears in the following provisions and substituting in each case “5”:

Regulation 4(4)(a)

Regulation 6(1)(c)(ii)

Regulation 7A(2A)(b)(ii)(A) and (B) and (f)(ii) and (iii)

Regulation 10AA(1)(f)(ii) and (iii)

Regulation 10B(1)(k)(i)

Regulation 12(1)(a)(ii)(A) and (B).

Amendment of regulation 7A

6. Regulation 7A of the principal Regulations is amended —

(a) by inserting, immediately before sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (1), the following sub-paragraph:

“(a) any party to the intended marriage present is not wearing a mask or face shield and the celebrant is not satisfied that the party has an enhanced cleared status; or”;

(b) by inserting, immediately after sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (2), the following sub-paragraph:

“(ba) to ensure that during the solemnization of the marriage, every individual must be wearing a mask when in that room or place unless —

(i) the individual is allowed under regulation 3B(a), (b) or (d) to wear a face shield in lieu of a mask; or

(ii) the individual is a party to the marriage and has an enhanced cleared status;”;

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- (c) by inserting the word “and” at the end of paragraph (2A)(ab)(i);
 - (d) by deleting the word “and” at the end of paragraph (2A)(ab)(ii);
 - (e) by deleting sub-paragraph (iii) of paragraph (2A)(ab);
 - (f) by inserting, immediately after sub-paragraph (ab) of paragraph (2A), the following sub-paragraph:

“(ac) where more than 98 guests are invited to attend the solemnization of the marriage, to establish one or more segregation zones in the room or place, with each zone providing for not more than 100 individuals (if they are guests or parties to the marriage) to be seated within the segregation zone;”;

- (g) by inserting, immediately after sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph (2A), the following sub-paragraph:

“(ca) to ensure that during the solemnization of the marriage, every individual must be wearing a mask when in that room or place unless —

(i) the individual is allowed under regulation 3B(a), (b) or (d) to wear a face shield in lieu of a mask; or

(ii) the individual is a party to the marriage and has an enhanced cleared status;”;

- (h) by deleting the words “or singing” in paragraph (2A)(ga)(i); and

- (i) by inserting, immediately after sub-paragraph (ga) of paragraph (2A), the following sub-paragraphs:

“(gb) to ensure that any singing in person in the room or place during the solemnization of

the marriage (whether or not when wearing a mask) is engaged in —

- (i) only by any, or a combination of any, of the following:
 - (A) a party to the marriage who has an enhanced cleared status;
 - (B) a member of the solemnization special cohort who has an enhanced cleared status; and
 - (ii) by not more than 10 individuals in total at any time during the solemnization;
- (gc) to ensure that any individual who is singing in person in the room or place during the solemnization (whether or not when wearing a mask) is at least 2 metres away from any other individual in the room or place who is not a member of the solemnization special cohort, despite sub-paragraph (h);”.

Amendment of regulation 8

7. Regulation 8(1) of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by deleting “48” in sub-paragraph (c) and substituting “98”;
- (b) by inserting, immediately after sub-paragraph (ha), the following sub-paragraph:
 - “(hb) to ensure that during the wedding, every individual must be wearing a mask when in that room or place unless —
 - (i) the individual is allowed under regulation 3B(a), (b) or (c) to wear a face shield in lieu of a mask; or

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- (ii) the individual is a party to the marriage and has an enhanced cleared status;”;
- (c) by deleting “2” in sub-paragraph (k)(ii) and (iii) and substituting in each case “5”;
- (d) by deleting the words “, singing or dancing” in sub-paragraph (l)(i); and
- (e) by inserting, immediately after sub-paragraph (l), the following sub-paragraphs:
- “(la) to ensure that any singing in person in the room or place during the wedding (whether or not when wearing a mask) is engaged in —
- (i) only by any, or a combination of any, of the following:
- (A) a party to the marriage who has an enhanced cleared status;
- (B) a member of the wedding special cohort who has an enhanced cleared status; and
- (ii) by not more than 10 individuals in total at any time during the wedding;
- (lb) to ensure that any individual who is singing or dancing in person in the room or place during the wedding (whether or not when wearing a mask) is at least 2 metres away from any other individual in the room or place who is not a member of the wedding special cohort, despite sub-paragraph (n);
- (lc) to ensure that any dancing in person in the room or place is engaged in during the wedding only by one or both parties to the marriage with an enhanced cleared status, and no others;”.

Amendment of First Schedule

8.—(1) Part 2 of the First Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended by deleting “2” wherever it appears in paragraph 2(1) and (2)(a) and substituting in each case “5”.

(2) Part 3 of the First Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “playing of music, singing, lecture, talk or address or any other sound is limited to” in paragraph 7(2)(j) and substituting the words “music, singing, lecture, talk or address or any other sound is limited to public speaking, singing or dancing that is permissible under regulation 8 or”.

(3) Part 4 of the First Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended by deleting “2” in paragraphs 1(1)(aa)(ii) and (2)(b) and 4(aa)(ii) and substituting in each case “5”.

(4) Part 5 of the First Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended by deleting “2” in paragraph 2(4)(b)(i) and substituting “5”.

Amendment of Third Schedule

9. The Third Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended —

(a) by deleting paragraph (a) in the second column (titled “*Maximum number of individuals*”) of item 2 and substituting the following paragraph:

“(a) the higher of the following:

- (i) 8 guests of the solemnization (who may or may not be ordinarily resident in that place of residence) and the parties to the marriage;
- (ii) 5 individuals who are not ordinarily resident in that place of residence (who may include any party to the marriage) and any other individuals ordinarily resident in that place;”;

(b) by deleting paragraph (a) in the second column (titled “*Maximum number of individuals*”) of item 3A and substituting the following paragraph:

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- “(a) the total of 248 guests of the wedding and the parties to the marriage each with a cleared status, and any celebrant of the marriage if the wedding involves proceedings to solemnize the marriage;”;
- (c) by deleting “2” in paragraph (a)(iii) in the second column (titled “*Maximum number of individuals*”) of item 9 and substituting “5”;
- (d) by deleting sub-paragraph (ii) of paragraph (a) in the second column (titled “*Maximum number of individuals*”) of item 10 and substituting the following sub-paragraph:
- “(ii) 5 individuals, consisting of one or more uncleared juniors all from the same household and any other individual each with a cleared status;”;
- (e) by deleting “2” in paragraph (b) in the second column (titled “*Maximum number of individuals*”) of item 12 and substituting “5”; and
- (f) by deleting “2” in the second column (titled “*Maximum number of individuals*”) of item 13 and substituting “5”.

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