COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Religious Gatherings — Control Order) Regulations 2021

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COVID-19 (TEMPORARY MEASURES) ACT 2020 (ACT 14 OF 2020)

COVID-19 (TEMPORARY MEASURES) (RELIGIOUS GATHERINGS — CONTROL ORDER) 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:

PART 1

PRELIMINARY

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Religious Gatherings — Control Order) Regulations 2021 and come into operation on 12 July 2021.

Application

2. These Regulations apply to and only in relation to any religious gathering that is held or conducted —

- (a) on or after 12 July 2021; and
- (b) in a place of worship, or anywhere else in Singapore which is not a home.

Definitions

3.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

"approved test" has the meaning given by the Infectious Diseases (COVID-19 Access Restrictions and Clearance) Regulations 2021 (G.N. No. S 273/2021); [S 589/2021 wef 10/08/2021] [S 986/2021 wef 01/01/2022]

"building" includes part of a building;

[Deleted by S 541/2021 wef 22/07/2021]

- "COVIDSAFE capacity", for any venue where a religious gathering takes place or is to take place, means the maximum number of individuals which the venue may accommodate if all the following are complied with:
 - (a) the segregation requirement;
 - (b) the physical distancing requirement;
 - (c) regulations 10B(1)(k) and 12 of, and the First Schedule to the Main Control Order (where applicable), as if the venue were permitted premises and every worshipper at the religious gathering were a customer;
- "crew", in relation to a live performance at a religious gathering, means an individual who is employed in connection with the staging of a performance other than as a performer in the live performance, whether under a contract of employment by or a contract for service with, any person staging the live

performance and whether a religious worker or volunteer;

"crowd management period", for a religious gathering at a venue, means —

- (a) subject to paragraph (b), the period
 - (i) starting 60 minutes before the time that the religious gathering is stated will begin daily on any publicity material relating to the religious gathering; and
 - (ii) ending 60 minutes after the time that the religious gathering is stated will end daily on any publicity material relating to the religious gathering; or
- (b) for a religious gathering to mark or commemorate one or more days of religious significance (whether or not also a public holiday) and for which there is no publicity material described in paragraph (a), the period
 - (i) starting 60 minutes before the first time in the day or each day (as the case may be) the venue is open to worshippers to attend the religious gathering; and
 - (ii) ending 60 minutes after the time in the day or each day (as the case may be) the venue closes admission to the worshippers to attend the religious gathering;

"defined activity" has the meaning given by regulation 13(4);

"enclosed space" means an area that is substantially enclosed by a roof and at least 2 walls, whether or not the roof or walls is or are permanent or temporary or open or closed, such as a room;

"home" means any of the following in Singapore:

- (a) a building that is used, constructed or adapted on a parcel of land solely for occupation as a single dwelling on the land, and includes any garden or yard appurtenant to that building and within that same parcel of land;
- (b) an apartment or unit, or a flat or lot, in a subdivided building that is used, constructed or adapted solely for occupation as a complete and separate dwelling;
- (c) a self-contained room, suite or like accommodation in a hotel or hostel for tourist, visitor or other temporary accommodation of guests