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INFECTIOUS DISEASES ACT 1976

INFECTIOUS DISEASES (COVID-19 ACCESS RESTRICTIONS AND CLEARANCE) (AMENDMENT NO. 3) REGULATIONS 2022

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 73(1) of the Infectious Diseases Act 1976, the Minister for Health makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Infectious Diseases (COVID-19 Access Restrictions and Clearance) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 2022 and come into operation on 1 February 2022.

Amendment of regulation 2

2. Regulation 2(1) of the Infectious Diseases (COVID-19 Access Restrictions and Clearance) Regulations 2021 (G.N. No. S 273/2021) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended —

- (*a*) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "entrant", the following definition:
 - ""funerary memorial event" means a ritual, observance or ceremony —
 - (a) the sole purpose of which is to commemorate or honour any deceased according to any religious practice or the tenets of any religion or religious denomination or belief; and

(b) which is held not within a place of residence and is held after the funeral event for the deceased,

but does not include such a ritual, observance or ceremony for a public holiday;";

- (b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "medical treatment", the following definition:
 - ""movement control measure", in relation to an individual, means a requirement for the individual not to leave a place of accommodation because of —
 - (a) an order made under regulation 3(1) of the Infectious Diseases (COVID-19 Stay Orders) Regulations 2020 (G.N. No. S 182/2020); or
 - (*b*) an order under section 15 or 17 of the Act relating to COVID-19;";
- (c) by deleting paragraph (b) of the definition of "nationwide approved vaccine" and substituting the following paragraph:
 - "(*b*) Spikevax (Moderna COVID-19 vaccine);"; and
- (d) by deleting the definition of "suspended status interval".

Amendment of regulation 3

- 3. Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is amended
 - (*a*) by deleting the words "and (3A)" in paragraph (1) and substituting the words ", (3A) and (3B)"; and
 - (*b*) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (3A), the following paragraph:

"(3B) If a restricted place or a part of a restricted place is used for a funerary memorial event, then for

the purposes of these Regulations, a person is an occupier of the restricted place or part of the restricted place when so used if the person is any person (whether or not for reward and whether jointly or otherwise) who is an organiser of the funerary memorial event.".

Amendment of regulation 6

- 4. Regulation 6 of the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) by deleting the word "and" at the end of sub-paragraph (C) of paragraph (2)(a)(i), and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraph:
 - "(D) a serology test in Singapore (whether before, on or after 1 February 2022) that is not attributable to the administration of any vaccine against a COVID-19 infection and without having tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 on any other earlier occasion; and";
 - (b) by deleting the word "and" at the end of sub-paragraph (iii) of paragraph (5)(c), and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraph:
 - "(iv) a serology test in Singapore (whether before, on or after 1 February 2022) that is not attributable to the administration of any vaccine against a COVID-19 infection and without having tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 on any other occasion, but only if such individual was granted a certificate under paragraph (4); and"; and

(c) by inserting, immediately after the words "polymerase chain reaction test" in paragraph (5A)(*f*), the words "or an antigen rapid test".

Amendment of regulation 8A

- 5. Regulation 8A of the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) by inserting the word "or" at the end of paragraph (1)(a);
 - (b) by deleting sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (1);
 - (c) by inserting the word "or" at the end of paragraph (2)(a);
 - (d) by deleting sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (2);
 - (e) by inserting the word "or" at the end of paragraph (3A)(a);
 - (f) by deleting sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (3A);
 - (g) by inserting the word "or" at the end of paragraph (3B)(a);
 - (h) by deleting sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (3B); and
 - (*i*) by deleting paragraphs (4) and (5).

Amendment of regulation 9

6. Regulation 9 of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately after paragraph (4), the following paragraph:

"(5) However, a reasonable excuse for contravening this regulation does not include being ordinarily resident in a place of residence in which a room or place is a restricted place used for a solemnization of a marriage.".

Amendment of regulation 11

7. Regulation 11 of the principal Regulations is amended —

(*a*) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (1), the following paragraph:

"(1A) The signage requirement in relation to a restricted place that is a room or place within a place of residence used for a solemnization of a marriage means a requirement to give notice (orally, in writing or by electronic message) at least one hour before the start of the solemnization of the marriage, to every individual who is invited as a guest to the solemnization of the marriage or who is otherwise foreseeably likely to be present in the place of residence during the restricted period of the restricted place, that —

- (*a*) the room or place will be a restricted place and the restricted period of the restricted place;
- (b) entry and remaining within the room or place during the restricted period is allowed only to individuals with a cleared status or to uncleared juniors from the same household; and
- (c) entering or remaining within the room or place during the restricted period when without a cleared status is an offence if the individual is not a child who is below 13 years of age."; and
- (b) by deleting the words "a restricted place" in paragraph (2) and substituting the words "any other restricted place".

Amendment of regulation 13

8. Regulation 13(1) of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the full-stop at the end of sub-paragraph (b) and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraph:

"(c) an entrant to a restricted place that is boarding premises if the boarding premises comprise the entrant's ordinary place of residence in Singapore.".

Amendment of First Schedule

9. Item 2 of the First Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words "Moderna COVID-19 vaccine" in the first column and substituting the words "Spikevax (Moderna COVID-19 vaccine)".