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### SINGAPORE TOURISM (CESS COLLECTION) ACT (CHAPTER 305C)

# SINGAPORE TOURISM (CESS COLLECTION) (FORMULA 1 SINGAPORE AIRLINES SINGAPORE GRAND PRIX 2019) ORDER 2019

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 5 of the Singapore Tourism (Cess Collection) Act, the Minister for Trade and Industry makes the following Order:

#### **Citation and commencement**

**1.** This Order is the Singapore Tourism (Cess Collection) (Formula 1 Singapore Airlines Singapore Grand Prix 2019) Order 2019 and comes into operation on 13 September 2019.

### Definitions

- 2.—(1) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires
  - "accommodation" means accommodation consisting of or including the use, for any length of time, of a room that is provided with a bed or other sleeping facilities;
  - "hotel" has the meaning given by section 2 of the Hotels Act (Cap. 127);
  - "money's worth" means any points, rewards or other similar thing (whether in physical or electronic form) earned by a person under any member or loyalty programme and that may be used to redeem any accommodation;
  - "operator", in relation to a hotel, means the person responsible for the day-to-day operations of the hotel, being —
    - (a) an individual, if so responsible as a sole proprietor; or
    - (b) any body of persons, corporate or unincorporate;

"taxable period" has the meaning given by paragraph 4.

(2) In this Order, consideration is paid in money if the consideration is paid by any of the following means:

- (*a*) the presentation of a physical or an electronic payment instrument, such as cash, a cheque, a cashier's order, or a voucher bearing a cash value or providing a discount;
- (b) the use of any credit or debit facility, such as by use of a charge card, credit card or debit card, or a credit or debit arrangement without the use of any such card;
- (c) the transfer of funds by any digital or electronic means, including by use of a digital wallet;
- (d) a combination of any means in sub-paragraph (a), (b) or (c).

#### **Tourism event**

**3.** The tourism event to which this Order relates is the Formula 1 Singapore Airlines Singapore Grand Prix 2019.

### Taxable period

**4.** The taxable period connected with the tourism event is the period between 19 September 2019 and 22 September 2019 (both dates inclusive).

### Taxable transactions on which cess is payable

**5.** The following arrangements are taxable transactions connected with the tourism event on which cess is payable:

- (a) a legally enforceable arrangement
  - (i) that is wholly or in part for accommodation
    - (A) provided or to be provided for use at any time during the taxable period; and
    - (B) at premises specified (whether by name or address) in Part 1 or 2 of the Schedule, if used as a hotel when the accommodation is so provided for use; and
  - (ii) where one party to the arrangement is the operator of the hotel;
- (b) a termination of an arrangement mentioned in sub-paragraph (a).

## Tourism event establishment making taxable transactions

**6.** The tourism event establishment making the taxable transaction connected with the tourism event mentioned in paragraph 5 is the operator of the hotel.

## Amount of cess

7. The cess payable on a taxable transaction connected with the tourism event is as follows:

(a) 30% of the gross receipts derived or treated as derived from each taxable transaction concerning premises specified in Part 1 of the Schedule used as a hotel;

### Gross receipts derived

**8.**—(1) This paragraph applies to every taxable transaction connected with a tourism event where consideration for the taxable transaction is paid wholly in money.

(2) The gross receipts derived from a taxable transaction in paragraph 5(a) connected with the tourism event is the total of the following:

- (a) the consideration paid for the taxable transaction;
- (b) all additional payments as follows:
  - (i) any sum paid for what is commonly known as early check-in or late check-out;
  - (ii) any sum paid for providing additional sleeping facilities in the same accommodation.

(3) The gross receipts derived from a taxable transaction in paragraph 5(b) connected with the tourism event is the total of the following:

- (a) all charges paid for the termination;
- (b) all deposits forfeited because of the termination.

#### Amount treated as gross receipts derived

**9.**—(1) This paragraph applies to —

- (a) every taxable transaction in paragraph 5(a) connected with the tourism event, where
  - (i) the taxable transaction is described as complimentary or as a gift;
  - (ii) the consideration for the taxable transaction is paid in money's worth, or in both money and money's worth; or

- (iii) the taxable transaction is a consequence of another transaction that is not a taxable transaction connected with the tourism event; and
- (b) every taxable transaction in paragraph 5(b) connected with the tourism event, where the whole of the consideration mentioned in sub-paragraph (a)(ii) is forfeited as a result of that taxable transaction.

(2) Subject to sub-paragraph (3), the amount treated as the gross receipts derived from a taxable transaction to which this paragraph applies concerning premises used as a hotel (H), must be calculated in accordance with the formula TGR  $\div$  N, where —

- (*a*) TGR is the total amount of gross receipts for all such taxable transactions connected with the tourism event, calculated in accordance with paragraph 8(2) and (3); and
- (b) N is the aggregate of the number of rooms on each day of the taxable period required to be provided under the taxable transactions in sub-paragraph (a), and which —
  - (i) were used by guests of H; or
  - (ii) were not used due to the intended guests of the rooms failing to arrive at H (commonly known as a no show).

(3) Where the TGR under sub-paragraph (2) is zero, the amount treated as the gross receipts derived from a taxable transaction to which this paragraph applies concerning premises used as H is —

- (a) the amount calculated in accordance with the formula in sub-paragraph (2) as applied in relation to H for an event that
  - (i) the Board determines is equivalent to the tourism event mentioned in paragraph 3; and
  - (ii) took place before 2019, or, if there is more than one such event, the most recent of such events; or
- (b) if there is no such amount under sub-paragraph (a) the amount calculated in accordance with the formula in sub-paragraph (2) as applied, for the tourism event