# Miscellaneous Offences (Public Order and Nuisance) (Assemblies and Processions) Rules

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## MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES (PUBLIC ORDER AND NUISANCE) (ASSEMBLIES AND PROCESSIONS) RULES

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#### Citation

1. These Rules may be cited as the Miscellaneous Offences (Public Order and Nuisance) (Assemblies and Processions) Rules.

### **Application**

- **2.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), these Rules shall apply to any assembly or procession of 5 or more persons in any public road, public place or place of public resort intended
  - (a) to demonstrate support for or opposition to the views or actions of any person;
  - (b) to publicise a cause or campaign; or
  - (c) to mark or commemorate any event.
  - (2) These Rules shall not apply to the following assemblies or processions:
    - (a) any assembly held in the Botanic Gardens with the consent or written permission of the National Parks Board;
    - (b) any assembly held in connection with any wedding or funeral
      - (i) on any State land;
      - (ii) in any Housing and Development Board estate; or
      - (iii) in any public road,

with the consent or written permission of the Commissioner of Lands, the Estates Officer of the Housing and Development Board estate or the Chief

- Executive of the Land Transport Authority of Singapore, as the case may be;
- (c) any sporting event held in any public place designated for use for sporting events;
- (d) any assembly in any place of public resort for the purpose for which the place of public resort is licensed under any written law;
- (e) any election meeting to which the Miscellaneous Offences (Public Order and Nuisance) (Election Meetings) Rules (R 2) apply; and
- (f) any assembly or procession held by or under the direction or control of the Government.

### **Definitions**

**3.** In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires —

"permit" means a permit to hold an assembly or procession granted under these Rules;

"place of public resort" means an approved place as defined in the Public Entertainments Act (Cap. 257);

"promoter" —

- (a) in relation to any assembly or procession, means any person responsible for organising and holding the assembly or procession; and
- (b) in relation to a funeral procession, includes the undertaker and any relative of the deceased person responsible for the funeral arrangements.

## No assembly without permit

- **4.**—(1) No person shall hold or assist in holding any assembly or procession in any public road, public place or place of public resort
  - (a) without a permit; or
  - (b) in contravention of any condition of a permit specified in rule 10(1) or imposed under rule 10(2).

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(2) Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with paragraph (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction —