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**INFECTIOUS DISEASES ACT
(CHAPTER 137)**

**INFECTIOUS DISEASES
(MASS GATHERING TESTING FOR
CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019)
(AMENDMENT NO. 14) REGULATIONS 2021**

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

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Infectious Diseases (Mass Gathering Testing for Coronavirus Disease 2019) (Amendment No. 14) Regulations 2021 and come into operation on 1 January 2022.

Amendment of regulation 1

2. Regulation 1 of the Infectious Diseases (Mass Gathering Testing for Coronavirus Disease 2019) Regulations 2021 (G.N. No. S 273/2021) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended by deleting the words “Mass Gathering Testing for Coronavirus Disease 2019” and substituting the words “COVID-19 Access Restrictions and Clearance”.

Amendment of regulation 2

3. Regulation 2(1) of the principal Regulations is amended —

(a) by deleting paragraphs (b) and (c) of the definition of “cleared status” and substituting the following paragraphs:

“(b) a cleared status (special) that is current; or

(c) a cleared status (overseas temporary) that is current;”;

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- (b) by deleting the words “or (5), 7(2) or 7A(2), (3) or (4)” in the definition of “cleared status certificate” and substituting the words “, (5) or (5A), 7A(2), (3) or (4) or 7B(2)”;
- (c) by deleting the definitions of “cleared status (general)” and “cleared status (limited)” and substituting the following definitions:
- ““cleared status (general)” has the meaning given by regulation 6;
- “cleared status (overseas temporary)” has the meaning given by regulation 7B;”;
- (d) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “current”, the following definition:
- ““defined approved vaccine” means —
- (a) Sinopharm COVID-19 vaccine; or
- (b) Sinovac-Coronavac COVID-19 vaccine;”.

Amendment of regulation 6

4. Regulation 6 of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by deleting sub-paragraph (ii) of paragraph (2)(a) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:
- “(ii) ending on (and including) as follows:
- (A) the 180th day after the date in sub-paragraph (i), unless sub-paragraph (B) applies;
- (B) 31 January 2022, where the individual is a transitional case; or”;
- (b) by deleting sub-paragraph (ii) of paragraph (2)(b) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:

“(ii) ending on (and including) as follows:

(A) the 180th day after the date in sub-paragraph (i), unless sub-paragraph (B) applies;

(B) 31 January 2022, where the individual is a transitional case.”;

(c) by inserting, immediately after the words “Despite paragraph (2), (3) or (4)” in paragraph (5), the words “and except where expressly provided in paragraph (5A)”;

(d) by deleting the words “270th day” in paragraph (5)(d)(i) and substituting the words “180th day”;

(e) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (5), the following paragraph:

“(5A) Where the Director is satisfied that an individual (of any age) —

(a) has received (whether before, on or after 1 January 2022) one dose of any defined approved vaccine and one dose of any other approved vaccine, each administered to the individual at least 17 days apart regardless of sequence;

(b) subsequently tests positive for SARS-CoV-2 upon undergoing (whether before, on or after 1 January 2022) any of the following:

(i) a polymerase chain reaction test in Singapore;

(ii) a polymerase chain reaction test outside Singapore, and a subsequent serology test in Singapore that is not attributable to the administration of any vaccine against a COVID-19 infection;

- (c) is diagnosed (whether before, on or after 1 January 2022) as having had a COVID-19 infection;
- (d) is no longer actively infected with a COVID-19 infection; and
- (e) is without a cleared status (general), cleared status (special) or a cleared status (overseas temporary),

the Director may grant a certificate stating that the individual has a cleared status (general) for a period —

- (f) starting the date the recovered individual first tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 upon undergoing a polymerase chain reaction test mentioned in sub-paragraph (b) leading to the diagnosis of the individual having the last infection he or she recovered from; and
 - (g) ending on (and including) the 365th day after the date in sub-paragraph (f).”;
- (f) by deleting the words “or (5)” in paragraph (6)(a) and substituting the words “, (5) or (5A)”;
- (g) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (7), the following paragraph:

“(8) An individual is a transitional case for the purposes of paragraph (2) —

- (a) if he or she had acquired, before 1 January 2022, a cleared status (general) under paragraph (2), and would have continued on or after that date to have a cleared status (general) if not for the making of the Infectious Diseases (Mass Gathering Testing for Coronavirus Disease 2019) (Amendment No. 14) Regulations 2021; but

- (b) not if he or she had acquired, before 1 January 2022, a cleared status (general) under paragraph (2) and ceased to have a cleared status (general) that is current before that date because of regulation 8A(1)(a) or (c).”.

Deletion of regulation 7

5. Regulation 7 of the principal Regulations is deleted.

New regulation 7B

6. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 7A, the following regulation:

“Meaning of “cleared status (overseas temporary)”

7B.—(1) For the purposes of these Regulations, an individual is treated as having a cleared status (overseas temporary) only if he or she is and to the extent certified under this regulation as having a cleared status (overseas temporary).

(2) Where the Director is satisfied that an individual (of any age) arriving in Singapore on or after 1 January 2022 —

- (a) is not ordinarily resident in Singapore;
- (b) is without a cleared status (general) or cleared status (special); and
- (c) has been administered (whether before, on or after 1 January 2022) an approved vaccine, or a combination of approved vaccines, in any way described in the First Schedule,

the Director may, in lieu of the period stated for those approved vaccines in the First Schedule, grant a certificate stating that the individual has a cleared status (overseas temporary) for a period —

- (d) starting the time the individual arrives in Singapore; and