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INFECTIOUS DISEASES ACT (CHAPTER 137)

INFECTIOUS DISEASES (MASS GATHERING TESTING FOR CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019) (AMENDMENT NO. 5) 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. 5) Regulations 2021 and come into operation on 12 July 2021.

Amendment of regulation 2

- **2.** Regulation 2(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
 - (a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "building", the following definition:
 - ""celebrant", in relation to a marriage, has the meaning given by Part 2 of the Second Schedule;";
 - (b) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (d) of the definition of "Control Order", the following paragraph:
 - "(e) the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Religious Gatherings — Control Order) Regulations 2021 (G.N. No. S 509/2021);";

- (c) by deleting the definition of "nuptial event" and substituting the following definition:
 - ""nuptial event" means
 - (a) a solemnization of a marriage; or
 - (b) a wedding;";
- (d) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "restricted place", the following definition:
 - ""solemnization of a marriage" means a ceremony at which a single marriage is solemnized according to proceedings prescribed by written law and without virtual participation, except that where
 - (a) those proceedings take place concurrently with or in a manner indistinguishable from an organised gathering made in connection with the celebration of a marriage; or
 - (b) those proceedings at any premises are followed immediately or without a break by an organised gathering made in connection with the celebration of the marriage at the same premises (whether or not in the same room or place),

the gathering of individuals at the proceedings in paragraph (a) or (b) must be treated instead as a wedding for the purposes of these Regulations;"; and

- (e) by deleting the full-stop at the end of the definition of "vaccinated" and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following definition:
 - ""wedding" means an organised gathering of individuals in connection with the celebration of a single marriage, being a

marriage in respect of which no organised gathering has earlier taken place in connection with the celebration of that marriage.".

Amendment of regulation 13

- 3. Regulation 13 of the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) by inserting, immediately after the words "item 9" in paragraph (2A), the words "or 10";
 - (b) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (2A), the following paragraph:
 - "(2B) In addition to paragraphs (1) and (2A), where the restricted place is used for a wedding in item 10 of Part 1 of the Second Schedule, regulations 9 and 10 do not apply to or in relation to an entrant to the restricted place during a restricted period of the restricted place if the entrant enters or remains in the restricted place as a guest, unless he or she is or is to be part of the wedding special cohort."; and
 - (c) by deleting the full-stop at the end of the definition of "spectator sporting event" in paragraph (3) and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following definition:
 - ""wedding special cohort", for a wedding, means a gathering not exceeding 20 individuals attending the wedding, the composition of which
 - (a) includes the bride and groom of the marriage to which the wedding relates; and
 - (b) does not change during the wedding.".

Amendment of Part 1 of Second Schedule

4. Part 1 of the Second Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended by deleting item 9 and substituting the following items:

9. A place, building or other premises (other than a place of residence or on board a vessel) at which a nuptial event takes place or is to take place, being a nuptial event to which more than 48 but not more than 248 guests are invited to attend.

The time —

- (a) starting 60 minutes before the time the nuptial event is stated will begin in any invitation relating to the nuptial event; and
- (b) ending 60 minutes after the time that the nuptial event is stated will end on any invitation relating to the nuptial event.
- 10. A place, building or other premises (other than a place of residence or on board a vessel) at which a wedding takes place or is to take place, being a wedding to which more than 48 guests are invited to attend.

The time —

- (a) starting 60 minutes before the time the wedding is stated will begin in any invitation relating to the wedding; and
- (b) ending 60 minutes after the time that the wedding is stated will end on any invitation relating to the wedding.

11. A venue at which a religious gathering takes place or is to take place, being a religious gathering attended or likely to be attended by more than 50 worshippers at the same time in a single undivided space in the venue.

The crowd management period for the religious gathering.

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