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**INFECTIOUS DISEASES ACT
(CHAPTER 137)**

**INFECTIOUS DISEASES
(MEASURES TO PREVENT SPREAD OF COVID-19)
REGULATIONS 2020**

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

Citation

1. These Regulations are the Infectious Diseases (Measures to Prevent Spread of COVID-19) Regulations 2020.

Definitions

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —
 - “control period” means the period between 27 March 2020 and 30 April 2020 (both dates inclusive);
 - “COVID-19” means the infectious disease known as Coronavirus Disease 2019;

“eating establishment” means any restaurant, hawker centre, coffeeshop or other similar premises where individuals may consume food or drinks or both, but excludes an outlet for takeaways only;

“event” includes a meeting or gathering of any nature;

“gross floor area” has the same meaning as “floor area” in rule 2(1) of the Planning (Development Charges) Rules (Cap. 232, R 5);

“organiser”, in relation to an event, means a person who is responsible (whether fully or substantially) for the organisation and holding of the event and the receipt of revenue from the event, if any;

“prescribed threshold”, in relation to any premises, means one person per 16 square metres of the premises, computed by dividing the gross floor area (expressed in square metres) of the premises by 16;

“room” means any area within a building that is fully enclosed on all sides;

“specified symptom” means any of the following symptoms:

- (a) coughing;
- (b) sneezing;
- (c) breathlessness;
- (d) a runny nose.

Prohibited events and activities

3.—(1) During the control period, a person must not carry on or cause or allow to be carried on any of the following activities or events:

- (a) any competition, sporting event or sporting contest between any number of people or animals, held in a public place;
- (b) any convention, exhibition, trade fair or sales event held in a public place;

- (c) an organised tour or visit to one or more places or points of interest in which the participant or participants in the tour or visit is or are, for any part of the tour or visit, accompanied by an individual who is not a participant of the tour or visit;
- (d) any public entertainment held or provided at a cinema, theatre, concert hall, amusement centre, games arcade, computer games centre, sports or recreation facility or eating establishment;
- (e) any enrichment activity or tuition conducted for children 18 years of age and below, at an enrichment centre, a tuition centre or a sporting facility;
- (f) any provision of goods, entertainment or services at a bar, public house, karaoke lounge, nightclub or discotheque.

(2) A person who, without reasonable excuse, contravenes paragraph (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both.

Limit on attendance for unprohibited events

4.—(1) An organiser of any event that is not prohibited by regulation 3 and is held —

- (a) during the control period; and
- (b) in or on any premises in Singapore,

commits an offence if the organiser allows or causes more than 10 individuals to be present at or take part in that event in person.

(2) An individual commits an offence if —

- (a) the individual takes part in an event held during the control period in or on any premises in Singapore;
- (b) more than 10 individuals are present or taking part in the event in person;

(c) the individual knows or ought reasonably to know that more than 10 individuals are present or taking part in the event in person; and

(d) the individual continues to take part in or remains at the event in or on those premises.

(3) A person guilty of an offence under paragraph (1) or (2) shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both.

(4) This regulation does not apply to any event that is conducted in the ordinary course of business at a workplace or providing education in an educational institution.

Safe distancing measures for public events

5.—(1) Where an event not prohibited by regulation 3 is held during the control period in or on premises that is a public place, the organiser of the event must, so far as is reasonably practicable, take steps —

(a) where any food or beverage is served for consumption in or on the premises during the event, to ensure that —

(i) each individual served may consume the food or beverage only in an area that allows him or her to be at least one metre away from another individual; and

(ii) the food or beverage is served in individual portions in a manner that minimises the time and extent that individuals may interact when eating;

(b) to allow natural ventilation of the premises during the event;

(c) for every individual entering the premises, to take the body temperature of the individual in order to determine whether the individual is febrile and to visually ascertain whether the individual displays any specified symptom;

(d) to obtain the contact particulars of every individual attending the event, before the individual enters the premises, so as to facilitate contact tracing measures;