PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF DISEASE (REQUIREMENTS AND DIRECTIONS) (BUSINESS AND PREMISES) REGULATION

Directions in Relation to Scheduled Premises

I hereby exercise the power conferred on me by section 8 of the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Chapter 599, sub. leg. F) (*Regulation*) to direct that for a period of 14 days beginning on 24 February 2022 to 9 March 2022 (*Specified Period*):—

- (I) (a) the following premises as set out in Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the Regulation must be closed:—
 - (1) Amusement game centre;
 - (2) Bathhouse:
 - (3) Fitness centre;
 - (4) Place of amusement;
 - (5) Place of public entertainment;
 - (6) Premises (commonly known as *party room*) that are maintained or intended to be maintained for hire for holding social gatherings;
 - (7) Beauty parlour;
 - (8) Establishment (commonly known as *club or nightclub*) that is open late into the night, usually for drinking, and dancing or other entertainment;
 - (9) Karaoke establishment:
 - (10) Mahjong-tin kau premises;
 - (11) Massage establishment except:—
 - (a) a hospital or managed or controlled by the Government or the Hospital Authority;
 - (b) a private healthcare facility within the meaning of the Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance (Chapter 633);
 - (c) a scheduled nursing home within the meaning of the Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance (Chapter 633) for which an exemption granted under section 128 of that Ordinance is in force;
 - (d) a military hospital or a maternity home of the Hong Kong Garrison;
 - (e) an establishment for medical treatment operated by a medical practitioner registered under the Medical Registration Ordinance (Chapter 161);
 - (f) an establishment for physiotherapy operated by a physiotherapist registered under the Supplementary Medical Professions Ordinance (Chapter 359);
 - (g) the premises for practising Chinese medicine operated by a registered Chinese medicine practitioner or listed Chinese medicine practitioner as defined in section 2 of the Chinese Medicine Ordinance (Chapter 549); and
 - (h) the premises for chiropractic operated by a chiropractor registered under the Chiropractors Registration Ordinance (Chapter 428);
 - (12) Sports premises;
 - (13) Swimming pool;
 - (14) Event premises (except when used for holding a wedding ceremony with the number of participants not exceeding the statutory required attendance for marriage (that is (i) the Registrar, civil celebrant or officiating minister, (ii) the wedding parties and (iii) two witnesses) under the Marriage Ordinance (Chapter 181) and at which no food or drink (except as part of a religious ritual) is served [Note 5]);
 - (15) Premises other than a beauty parlour (commonly known as *barber shop or hair salon*) where a person may have his or her hair on the face or on the head shaved, trimmed, cut or washed, or have other treatments done to the hair; and

- (16) Religious premises (except when used for holding (a) a funeral or other occasion for mourning for or remembering a deceased who has yet to be buried or cremated, or (b) a wedding ceremony with the number of participants not exceeding the statutory required attendance for marriage (that is (i) the Registrar, civil celebrant or officiating minister, (ii) the wedding parties and (iii) two witnesses) under the Marriage Ordinance (Chapter 181) and at which no food or drink (except as part of a religious ritual) is served [Note 6]);
- (b) no members of the public may gather in the above premises (subject to paragraphs (I)(a)(14) and (16)); and
- (c) the restriction in paragraph (I)(b) above is a restriction imposed in relation to a gathering and is applicable to a person who participates in a gathering in the premises, a person who organizes a gathering in the premises and a person who controls or operates the premises in which a group gathering takes place;
- (II) Cruise ship as set out in Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the Regulation must not provide passenger services.
- (III) (a) the following premises as set out in Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the Regulation may open subject to the requirements and restrictions [Note 1] detailed at Annex:—
 - (1) Club-house;
 - (2) Hotel and guesthouse;
 - (3) Shopping mall;
 - (4) Premises (commonly known as *department store*) where a wide variety of goods (for example, men's and women's clothing, furniture, electrical appliances and hardware) are sold in separate departments;
 - (5) Market; and
 - (6) Self-service shop (commonly known as *supermarket*) where fresh produce, food other than fresh produce, beverages and household goods are sold;
 - (b) in respect of the requirements and restrictions applicable to the premises set out in items (III)(1) to (III)(6) above, the requirements and restrictions applicable to staff members involved in the operation of the premises are set out below:—
 must comply with the requirements applicable to the staff members involved in the operation of the relevant scheduled premises in the Vaccine Pass Direction issued under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Vaccine Pass) Regulation (Chapter 599.
 - (c) in respect of the requirements and restrictions applicable to the premises set out in items (III)(1) to (III)(6) above, the requirements and restrictions applicable to customers/users/visitors on the premises are set out below:—

sub. leg. L) (Vaccine Pass Direction) (i.e. G.N. (E.) 268 of 2022) [Note 2]:

- before entering a premises, must scan the 'LeaveHomeSafe' venue QR code using the 'LeaveHomeSafe' mobile application on his/her mobile phone/other mobile device |Note 3|:
- (2) before entering a premises, must conduct body temperature screening; and
- (3) must comply with the requirements applicable to persons entering or remaining on the relevant scheduled premises in the Vaccine Pass Direction.

Note 1:-

Among the relevant requirements and restrictions, a person under the age of 2 is not required to comply with the requirement in relation to the wearing of mask within any scheduled premises.

Note 2:—

If a staff member involved in the operation of the business on the premises is exempted from the Vaccine Pass requirements under the Vaccine Pass Direction, then he/she must undergo a polymerase chain reaction-based nucleic acid test for using a test sample taken through combined nasal and throat swabs which must not be taken by the person being tested [Note 4] once every 7 days starting from 24 February 2022, and ensure that a SMS notification containing the result of the test is obtained before 3 March 2022 and the end of every subsequent 7-day period and keep record of each SMS notification for 31 days.

The following staff members involved in the operation of the business on the premises must make a declaration to the premises operator using the specified form available on the COVID-19 Thematic Website/relevant website of the FEHD:—

- (1) staff members who received COVID-19 vaccination outside Hong Kong; or
- (2) staff members who hold a COVID-19 Vaccination Medical Exemption Certificate.

Note 3:-

If a person belonging to any one of the following three categories of persons is unable to use the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile application to record his/her visit to the relevant premises, he/she should use the specified form available on the COVID-19 Thematic Website/FEHD webpage or a written or electronic form separately prepared containing all content in the aforementioned standard form to register his/her name, contact number and the date and time of his/her visit and the relevant premises operator must keep the written or electronic records for 31 days:—

- (1) persons aged 65 or above or aged 15 or below;
- (2) persons with disability; and
- (3) other persons recognized by the Government or organization(s) authorized by the Government as eligible for the above arrangement.

Only in respect of a person aged 15 or below who is unable to use the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile application, if his/her adult accompanying person has used the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile application to scan the relevant venue QR code or used the above specified form to register relevant information in accordance with the relevant requirements, he/she would not have to register the relevant information using the specified form. In respect of shopping mall, department store, market and supermarket, the above three categories of persons need not fill in the specified form.

The requirements on customers' use of "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile application do not apply to scheduled premises that are regulated under Cap. 599F and owned or managed by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.

Note 4:-

If a person who needs to comply with the requirement about undergoing polymerase chain reaction-based nucleic acid test(s) for COVID-19 (the relevant test(s)), and the sample(s) for such test(s) should be taken through combined nasal and throat swabs, is issued a medical certificate by a registered medical practitioner (relevant medical certificate), proving that he/she is unfit to undergo the relevant test(s) using sample(s) taken through combined nasal and throat swabs because of health reasons, then he/she may undergo the relevant test(s) using deep throat saliva sample(s). Relevant person must keep the SMS notification(s) containing the result(s) of the test(s) and the relevant medical certificate.

Note 5:-

Staff involved in the operation of event premises must comply with the applicable requirements under the Vaccine Pass Direction whereas attendees of a wedding ceremony specified in paragraph (I)(a)(14) are not subject to any vaccination requirement.

Note 6:-

Staff involved in the operation of religious premises must comply with the applicable requirements under the Vaccine Pass Direction whereas attendees of a funeral or wedding ceremony specified in paragraph (I)(a)(16) are not subject to any vaccination requirement.

23 February 2022

Secretary for Food and Health

REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS ON SCHEDULED PREMISES AS SET OUT IN PART 1 OF SCHEDULE 2

(A) Club-house

- (1) subject to the applicable directions referred to in paragraphs (7) and (8) below and except when taking a shower, a person must wear a mask at all times within any clubhouse:
- (2) body temperature screening on a person must be conducted before the person is allowed to enter the club-house;
- (3) hand sanitisers must be provided at the club-house for any person therein;
- (4) the poster containing the 'LeaveHomeSafe' venue QR code must be displayed at the entrance of the premises or at a conspicuous location which must be unobstructed at any one time so that it is readily accessible for scanning by the 'LeaveHomeSafe' mobile application on mobile phone/other mobile device by a person entering the premises and the size of the image of the poster displayed must not be less than 210×297 mm (A4 size);
- (5) it must be ensured that before a user is allowed to enter the premises, the user scans the 'LeaveHomeSafe' venue QR code using the 'LeaveHomeSafe' mobile application on his/her mobile phone/other mobile device (see note 3 of the notice);
- (6) must comply with the requirements applicable to club-house under the Vaccine Pass Direction (see note 2 of the notice);
- (7) any catering premises (premises on which food or drink is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises) therein must follow the applicable directions as set out at G.N. (E.) 283 of 2022 issued under the Regulation;
- (8) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as hotel or guesthouse must follow the requirements and restrictions as set out in part B hereof;
- (9) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as shopping mall, department store, market or supermarket (if any) must follow the requirements and restrictions as set out in part C hereof during the period when being used or operated as the aforementioned premises;
- (10) the following infection control recommendations must be applied to shower facilities:—
 - (a) keep social distancing between users of at least 1.5 metres by opening alternate shower heads if they are not within individual cubicles;
 - (b) carry out cleaning and disinfection of the shower cubicles at least once every four hours:
 - (c) carry out regular environmental cleaning and disinfection on the facilities including storage cabinet at least daily; and
 - (d) forbid sharing of personal items such as towel;
- (11) for meeting rooms or function rooms:—
 - (a) a person must wear a mask at all times within that room;
 - (b) the number of persons must not at any one time exceed 50% of the normal capacity of that room; and
 - (c) no live performance or dancing activity is allowed;
- (12) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as amusement game centre must be closed;
- (13) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as bathhouse (except those forming parts of other facilities) must be closed;
- (14) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as fitness centre must be closed;
- (15) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as place of amusement must be closed:

- (16) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as any forms of entertainment venue similar to place of public entertainment must be closed;
- (17) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as beauty parlour or massage establishment must be closed;
- (18) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as club or nightclub must be closed;
- (19) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as karaoke establishment must be closed;
- (20) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as mahjong-tin kau premises must be closed;
- (21) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as sports premises must be closed:
- (22) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as swimming pool must be closed:
- (23) subject to paragraph (I)(a)(14) of the notice, any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as event premises must be closed;
- (24) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as barber shop or hair salon must be closed;
- (25) subject to paragraph (I)(a)(16) of the notice, any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as religious premises must be closed;
- (26) steam and sauna facilities, if any, must be closed;
- (27) any ball pits must be closed; and
- (28) for requirements and restrictions in relation to gathering within any clubhouse:—
 - (a) requirements and restrictions applicable to any person participating in a gathering are set out in paragraph (11)(b) above;
 - (b) requirements and restrictions applicable to any person who organizes any gathering are set out in paragraphs (11)(b) above; and
 - (c) requirements and restrictions applicable to any person who controls or operates the club-house in which a gathering takes place are set out in paragraphs (11)(b) above.

(B) Hotel and guesthouse

- (1) subject to the applicable directions referred to in paragraphs (8)(g) and (12) below and except when consuming food or drink, taking a shower, or within a guest room, a person must wear a mask at all times within any hotel/guesthouse;
- (2) body temperature screening on a person must be conducted before the person is allowed to enter the hotel/guesthouse;
- (3) hand sanitisers must be provided at the hotel/guesthouse for any person therein;
- (4) the poster containing the 'LeaveHomeSafe' venue QR code must be displayed at the entrance of the premises or at a conspicuous location which must be unobstructed at any one time so that it is readily accessible for scanning by the 'LeaveHomeSafe' mobile application on mobile phone/other mobile device by a person entering the premises and the size of the image of the poster displayed must not be less than 210×297 mm (A4 size);
- (5) it must be ensured that before a user is allowed to enter the premises, the user scans the 'LeaveHomeSafe' venue QR code using the 'LeaveHomeSafe' mobile application on his/her mobile phone/other mobile device (see note 3 of the notice);
- (6) must comply with the requirements applicable to hotel and guesthouse under the Vaccine Pass Direction (see note 2 of the notice);
- (7) except those Designated Quarantine Hotels/Guesthouses published on the Government's thematic webpage on Designated Hotels for Quarantine (www. designatedhotel.gov.hk), all other hotels/guesthouses must not accept persons under quarantine who have stayed in Taiwan or places outside China to undergo compulsory quarantine therein. Persons under quarantine who have stayed in Taiwan or places outside China means the relevant Taiwan travellers, the relevant Group A travellers, the relevant Group B travellers or the relevant Group C travellers as

specified in the Gazette Notice issued pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Regulation of Cross-boundary Conveyances and Travellers) Regulation (Chapter 599, sub. leg. H), which is in force at the time and who are subject to compulsory quarantine upon arrival at Hong Kong;

- (8) for Designated Quarantine Hotels/Guesthouses only:—
 - (a) only persons under quarantine who have stayed in Taiwan or places outside China, carers who has undertaken to stay with those persons throughout the latter's stay at the hotel/guesthouse and persons who have stayed in Taiwan or places outside China and who are exempted from compulsory quarantine can be accepted as guests, and such guests may stay until one day after the end of the relevant quarantine period (if applicable);
 - (b) members of the public must not have access to the hotel/guesthouse premises (except for lobby, customer service desks and carparks, etc., which have proper segregation and separate access control);
 - (c) subject to the applicable directions referred to in paragraph (8)(b) above, other non-accommodation facilities (including business centres, catering premises, meeting rooms or function rooms, etc.) in the hotel/guesthouse must be closed;
 - (d) the manager must take all reasonable steps to ensure that guests under quarantine and any carers who has undertaken to stay with them could not leave their guest room/suite during their stay except in emergency situations or as directed by the Department of Health;
 - (e) the manager must take all reasonable steps to ensure that guests under quarantine could not receive any visitors into their guest room/suite during their stay (except for carers who have undertaken to stay with them throughout the latter's stay);
 - (f) the manager must comply with the infection control guidelines and directions issued by the Department of Health; and
 - (g) except when being within a guest room with the door(s) closed or as instructed by a person authorised to conduct testing at the hotel/guesthouse, a person under quarantine and carer who has undertaken to stay with that person throughout the latter's stay at the hotel/guesthouse (if any) must wear a mask (which must not be a mask with exhalation valve(s) or vent(s) which would allow exhaling air to escape) at all times within the hotel/guesthouse;
- Non-designated quarantine guesthouses must not accept persons under quarantine as guests;
- (10) Non-designated quarantine hotels must not accept persons under quarantine who have stayed in Taiwan or places outside China as guests;
- (11) For guest rooms or rental units:-
 - (a) a person visiting any guest room/rental unit therein must register his/her personal particulars with the manager;
 - (b) at any one time, no more than 4 persons may be allowed to stay in a guest room/rental unit therein, and no more than 8 persons may be allowed to stay in a suite (i.e. a guestroom with more than one bedroom) therein;
 - (c) all areas, furniture and utensils etc. must be disinfected after each rental session;
 - (d) all towels and consumables used must be changed after each rental session; and
 - (e) if there is a person undergoing compulsory quarantine in the hotel/guesthouse (i.e. persons under quarantine who have stayed in China (except Taiwan) only):—
 - (i) the manager must arrange for persons under quarantine to stay in rooms which are segregated from those in which other persons not under quarantine are staying including by putting them on separate floors as far as practicable, and take all reasonable steps to ensure other guests would not have access to the floors where persons under quarantine are staying;
 - (ii) the manager must take all reasonable steps to ensure that the person and any carers who has undertaken to stay with him/her throughout the quarantine period could not leave his/her guest room/suite during the quarantine period except in emergency situations;

- (iii) the manager must take all reasonable steps to ensure that the person could not receive any visitors into the guest room/suite during the quarantine period (except for any carers who has undertaken to stay with the person under quarantine throughout the quarantine period); and
- (iv) the manager must comply with the infection control guidelines and directions issued by the Department of Health;
- (12) subject to paragraph (8)(c) above, any catering premises (premises on which food or drink is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises) therein must follow the applicable directions as set out at G.N. (E.) 283 of 2022 issued under the Regulation;
- (13) any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as shopping mall, department store, market or supermarket (if any) must follow the requirements and restrictions as set out in part C hereof during the period when being used or operated as the aforementioned premises;
- (14) subject to paragraph (8)(c) above, the following infection control recommendations must be applied to shower facilities in the communal area:—
 - (a) keep social distancing between users of at least 1.5 metres by opening alternate shower heads if they are not within individual cubicles;
 - (b) carry out cleaning and disinfection of the shower cubicles at least once every four hours;
 - (c) carry out regular environmental cleaning and disinfection on the facilities including storage cabinet at least daily; and
 - (d) forbid sharing of personal items such as towel;
- (15) subject to paragraph (8)(c) above, for meeting rooms or function rooms:—
 - (a) a person must wear a mask at all times within that room;
 - (b) the number of persons must not at any one time exceed 50% of the normal capacity of that room; and
 - (c) no live performance or dancing activity is allowed therein;
- (16) any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as bathhouse (except those forming parts of other facilities) must be closed;
- (17) any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as fitness centre must be closed;
- (18) any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as place of amusement must be closed;
- (19) any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as any forms of entertainment venue similar to place of public entertainment must be closed;
- (20) any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as beauty parlour or massage establishment must be closed;
- (21) any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as club or nightclub must be closed;
- (22) any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as karaoke establishment must be closed;
- (23) any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as mahjong-tin kau premises must be closed;
- (24) any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as sports premises must be closed;
- (25) any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as swimming pool must be closed;
- (26) subject to paragraph (I)(a)(14) of the notice, any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as event premises must be closed;
- (27) any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as barber shop or hair salon must be closed;
- (28) subject to paragraph (I)(a)(16) of the notice, any part(s) of the hotel/guesthouse being used or operated as religious premises must be closed;
- (29) steam and sauna facilities, if any, must be closed;

- (30) any ball pits must be closed; and
- (31) for requirements and restrictions in relation to gathering within any hotel/guesthouse:—
 - (a) requirements and restrictions applicable to any person participating in a group gathering are set out in paragraphs (11)(b) above;
 - (b) requirements and restrictions applicable to any person who organizes any group gathering are set out in paragraphs (11)(b) and (15)(b) above; and
 - (c) requirements and restrictions applicable to any person who controls or operates the hotel/guesthouse in which a group gathering takes place are set out in paragraphs (11)(b) and (15)(b) above.

(C) Shopping Mall, Department Store, Market and Supermarket

- (1) the poster containing the 'LeaveHomeSafe' venue QR code must be displayed at the entrance of the premises or at a conspicuous location which must be unobstructed at any one time so that it is readily accessible for scanning by the 'LeaveHomeSafe' mobile application on mobile phone/other mobile device by a person entering the premises and the size of the image of the poster displayed must not be less than 210×297 mm (A4 size);
- (2) the user must scan the 'LeaveHomeSafe' venue QR code using the 'LeaveHomeSafe' mobile application on his/her mobile phone/other mobile device before enter the premises (see note 3 of the notice);
- (3) must comply with the requirements applicable to shopping mall, department store, market or supermarket under the Vaccine Pass Direction (whichever is applicable) (see note 2 of the notice);
- (4) any catering premises (premises on which food or drink is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises) within the shopping mall, department store, market or supermarket (four types of relevant premises) must follow the applicable directions as set out at G.N. (E.) 283 of 2022 issued under the Regulation;
- (5) any part(s) of the four types of relevant premises being used or operated as amusement game centre (if any) must be closed;
- (6) any part(s) of the four types of relevant premises being used or operated as bathhouse (except those forming parts of other facilities)(if any) must be closed;
- (7) any part(s) of the four types of relevant premises being used or operated as fitness centre (if any) must be closed;
- (8) any part(s) of the four types of relevant premises being used or operated as place of amusement (if any) must be closed;
- (9) any part(s) of the four types of relevant premises being used or operated as any forms of entertainment venue similar to place of public entertainment (if any) must be closed:
- (10) any part(s) of the four types of relevant premises being used or operated as beauty parlour or massage establishment (if any) must be closed;
- (11) any part(s) of the four types of relevant premises being used or operated as club or nightclub (if any) must be closed;
- (12) any part(s) of the four types of relevant premises being used or operated as karaoke establishment (if any) must be closed;
- (13) any part(s) of the four types of relevant premises being used or operated as mahjongtin kau premises (if any) must be closed;
- (14) any part(s) of the four types of relevant premises being used or operated as sports premises (if any) must be closed;
- (15) subject to paragraph (I)(a)(14) of the notice, any part(s) of the four types of relevant premises being used or operated as event premises (if any) must be closed;
- (16) any part(s) of the four types of relevant premises being used or operated as barber shop or hair salon must be closed;
- (17) subject to paragraph (I)(a)(16) of the notice, any part(s) of the four types of relevant premises being used or operated as religious premises (if any) must be closed; and
- (18) any ball pits must be closed.