## <u>Specific requirements for Cap. 599F catering business premises under the respective modes of operation</u> (with effect from 4 February to 17 February 2022) (Changes are shown in blue)

	Mode of Operation				Mandatory specific measures				
Options of mode of operation	_				Staff		Customers		
	Maximum number of persons per table	Dine-in service hours	Capacity limit of premises	Maximum number of persons per banquet	Testing	Vaccination	Use of "LeaveHomeSafe " (LHS) mobile application	Vaccination	Remarks
Type B Mode of Operation	2	5am to 5.59pm	50%	20	Once every 7 days <sup>1</sup>	X	<b>√</b> 4	X	
Type C Mode of Operation	4	5am to 5.59pm	75%	20	X	Received first vaccine dose <sup>2&amp;3</sup>	<b>√</b> 4	Х	
Type D Mode of Operation	6	5am to 5.59pm	100%	240	X	Completed vaccination course <sup>3&amp;5</sup>	<b>√</b> 4	at least two- thirds of customers must have received the first dose <sup>2&amp;6</sup>	Under Type D Mode of Operation, may additionally delineate a "designated zone C" within which the corresponding mode of operation applies.

## **Footnote**

- 1. To arrange for all staff members involved in the operation of the premises to undergo a polymerase chain reaction-based nucleic acid test for COVID-19 once every 7 days starting from 27 January 2022 and the sample(s) of the test(s) conducted must be taken through combined nasal and throat swabs which must not be taken by the person being tested, and ensure that the staff obtain SMS (mobile phone text message) notification containing the result of the test before 3 February 2022 and the end of every subsequent 7 day period and keep record of each SMS notification for 31 days; or to adopt alternative measure which is ensuring a staff member involved in the operation of the premises has completed the COVID-19 vaccination course (see footnote 5) and keep the vaccination record as a proof of vaccination.
- 2. Received the first dose of Sinovac COVID-19 vaccine (CoronaVac vaccine) or Fosun Pharma/BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine (Comirnaty vaccine); or received in places outside Hong Kong one dose of COVID-19 vaccine, subject to the vaccine used being included on the list of vaccines recognised for this purpose as published on the Government's COVID-19 Thematic Website (www.coronavirus.gov.hk/pdf/list of recognised covid19 vaccines.pdf).

If an individual who received COVID-19 vaccine in places outside Hong Kong is to enter a premises that is subject to the requirement about COVID-19 vaccination, he/she must:

- (a) make a declaration to the relevant premises operator using the specified form available on the COVID-19 Thematic Website/relevant webpage of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD); or
- (b) make a declaration to the Government on the non-local COVID-19 vaccination record, and produce to the relevant premises operator the QR code of vaccination record for local use issued by the Government. For methods of declaration, please refer to "FAQ Non-local COVID-19 Vaccination Record" as published on the Government's COVID-19 Vaccination Programme Thematic Website (www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/en/faq).

Premises operator must use the "QR Code Verification Scanner" mobile application provided by the Government to scan the customers'/users' QR code of COVID-19 vaccination record for checking whether the customers/users have complied with the relevant requirement about COVID-19 vaccination. Information on the download and usage of the aforementioned mobile application is available on the relevant FEHD webpage (www.fehd.gov.hk/english/events/covid19/vaccination\_record\_app.html).

3. Staff members involved in the operation of the premises who are unfit to receive COVID-19 vaccination due to health reasons must make a declaration using the form on the COVID-19 Thematic Website/FEHD webpage and present a medical certificate to the premises operator / employer. The relevant staff members must also undergo a polymerase chain reaction-based nucleic acid test for COVID-19 using combined nasal and throat swabs once every 7 days starting 27 January 2022, and ensure that the SMS notification containing the result of the test is obtained before 3 February 2022 and by the end of every subsequent 7-day period and keep record of every SMS notification for 31 days. The premises operator/employer must keep

the abovementioned declaration form.

4. It must be ensured that before a customer is allowed to enter the premises, he/she scans the LHS venue QR code using the LHS mobile application on his/her mobile phone/other mobile device. This requirement does not apply to a customer only ordering takeaway at a catering business premises.

The following three categories of persons may 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 as an alternative to the use of the LHS mobile application. The relevant premises operator must keep the written or electronic records for 31 days:

- (a) persons aged 65 or above and aged 15 or below;
- (b) persons with disability; and
- (c) other persons recognised by the Government or organisation(s) authorised by the Government for this purpose.

For persons aged 15 or below entering a catering premises or scheduled premises, he/she would not have to register his/her personal information using the specified form if he/she is accompanied by an adult who has complied with the LHS requirement (i.e. he/she has used the LHS mobile application or use the specified form to register relevant information as an alternative in accordance with the requirements).

The above requirements on customers' use of LHS 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.

5. For both the CoronaVac vaccine and Comirnaty vaccine, completing the vaccination course in general involves having received two doses of the vaccine at least 14 days ago, except for persons previously infected with COVID-19, who are to receive one dose of vaccine at least 14 days ago. For persons aged 12 to 17, they may be deemed to have completed the vaccination course after receiving one dose of Comirnaty vaccine at least 14 days ago. For individuals who received COVID-19 vaccines in places outside Hong Kong and have received the recommended dose(s) as stipulated in relevant guidelines at least 14 days ago, they will also be regarded as having completed the vaccination course of the relevant COVID-19 vaccine, subject to the vaccine used being included on the list of vaccines recognised for this purpose as published on the Government's COVID-19 Thematic Website.

In respect of premises to which the requirement that staff members must have completed a COVID-19 vaccination course is applicable, if there are staff members who had been issued a medical certificate proving that they were unfit for COVID-19 vaccination because of health reasons, and such staff members subsequently received COVID-19 vaccination, then –

for (a) such staff members who have received the first dose of Comirnaty vaccine or CoronaVac vaccine; (b) such staff members who have received the second dose of Comirnaty vaccine or CoronaVac vaccine but it has been less than 14 days after such vaccination; (c) such staff members who

have received one dose of Comirnaty vaccine or CoronaVac vaccine but it has been less than 14 days after such vaccination and who were previously infected with COVID-19; or (d) such staff members aged 17 or below and employed in compliance with the Employment Ordinance (Chapter 57) who have received one dose of Comirnaty vaccine but it has been less than 14 days after such vaccination, they would be deemed to have complied with the requirement that staff members must have completed a COVID-19 vaccination course if they adopt the following measures, notwithstanding the fact that they have not completed a COVID-19 vaccination course:

- (i) premises operator must ensure that such staff members keep the above medical certificate, regardless of whether the validity period of that certificate had expired before such staff members received the relevant vaccine;
- (ii) premises operator must arrange for such staff members to undergo a polymerase chain reaction based nucleic acid test for COVID-19 once every 7 days starting from 27 January 2022 and the sample(s) of the test(s) conducted must be taken through combined nasal and throat swabs which must not be taken by the person being tested, and ensure that such staff obtain SMS (mobile phone text message) notification containing the result of the test before 3 February 2022 and the end of every subsequent 7-day period and keep record of each SMS notification for 31 days; (iii) (only applicable to the staff members in item (a)) premises operators must ensure that such staff members have already made an appointment for receiving the second dose of Comirnaty vaccine or CoronaVac vaccine and the date of appointment for the second dose of vaccine and the date of receiving the first dose of vaccine can at most be 35 days apart, and ensure that the relevant staff members keep record of the above appointment; and
- (iv) premises operator must ensure that such staff members keep the relevant COVID-19 vaccination record.

If an individual who received COVID-19 vaccine in places outside Hong Kong is to enter a premises that is subject to the requirement about COVID-19 vaccination, he/she must:

- (a) make a declaration to the relevant premises operator using the specified form available on the COVID-19 Thematic Website/relevant FEHD webpage; or
- (b) make a declaration to the Government on the non-local COVID-19 vaccination record, and produce to the relevant premises operator the QR code of vaccination record for local use issued by the Government. For methods of declaration, please refer to "FAQ Non-local COVID-19 Vaccination Record" as published on the Government's COVID-19 Vaccination Programme Thematic Website (www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/en/faq).
- 6. At least two-thirds of customers would be required to have received the first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. The ratio is to be applied to the number of customers per table for those not participating in a banquet while it is to be applied to the total number of participants for banquets. In determining the number of customers constituting two-thirds of the customers, decimals, if any, are disregarded.