

Summary of latest Requirements and Restrictions on Catering Business and Scheduled Premises (with effect from 14 December to 28 December 2022) (Changes are shown in blue)

Type of premises	Mode of Operation			Vaccine Pass ¹ and “Red Codes” ¹⁷ Requirement [Follow Vaccine Pass Direction unless otherwise specified]		Other Requirements and Restrictions ¹² (Regular testing requirement for staff of catering premises and scheduled premises set out in Note 2) (Requirements pertaining to “LeaveHomeSafe” have been lifted)						
	Maximum number of persons per table / group / room / facility	Operating hours	Capacity limit of premises	Staff	Customer	Mask-on requirement	Distancing ³	Cleaning and disinfecting	Live performance and dancing	Shower facilities ⁴	Steam and sauna facilities	Specific requirements and restrictions
Catering premises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤12 persons per table • ≤240 persons per banquet 	N/A	100%	✓	✓ Active checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When consuming food/drink at the table • During photo taking on stage at an event Performers should wear masks as far as feasible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequate distance or effective partition between tables 	N/A	Subject to requirements in relation to testing of performers, masking, distancing, etc. ¹⁹	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dedicated staff must be arranged for clearing used utensils and cleaning and disinfecting used tables and partitions⁵ • Requirements on air change or air purifiers for the seating area must be fulfilled • The following premises therein must follow applicable directions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Karaoke establishments - Mahjong-tin kau premises • Before entering the bar or pub zone in a catering premises, a customer must present a photo showing the Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) kit with negative result (on which the customer’s name as well as the date and time of taking the RAT are marked) of a test conducted within the preceding 24 hours¹⁸ • Before entering the premises for participating in a banquet, a customer

												must present a photo showing the RAT kit with negative result (on which the customer's name as well as the date and time of taking the RAT are marked) of a test conducted within the preceding 24 hours ¹⁸
Bar or pub	• ≤6 persons per table	N/A	75%	✓ Persons with "Red Code" must not enter	✓ Active checking Persons with "Red Code" must not enter	✓ Exemption: • When consuming food/drink at the table • During photo taking on stage at an event Performers should wear masks as far as feasible	• Adequate distance or effective partition between tables	N/A	Subject to requirements in relation to testing of performers, masking, distancing, etc. ¹⁹	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Before entering the premises, a customer must present a photo showing the RAT kit with negative result (on which the customer's name as well as the date and time of taking the RAT are marked) of a test conducted within the preceding 24 hours¹⁸ • Dedicated staff must be arranged for clearing used utensils and cleaning and disinfecting used tables and partitions⁵ • Requirements on air change or air purifiers for the seating area must be fulfilled • The following premises therein must follow applicable directions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Karaoke establishments - Mahjong-tin kau premises

Amusement game centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤12 persons per game station, machine or facility 	N/A	N/A	✓	Passive checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During photo taking on stage at an event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequate distance or effective partition between game stations, machines or facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean and disinfect game stations, machines or facilities before use by the next customer or apply disinfection materials with durable efficacy 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Bathhouse	N/A	N/A	N/A	✓	Active checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When having a bath • When having a shower • When walking from a changing room to a pool or vice versa, or walking from a pool to another pool • During photo taking on stage at an event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequate distance or effective partition between persons having a bath 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carry out regular environmental cleaning and disinfection on the facilities at least daily 	N/A	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Massage establishment therein must follow applicable directions
Fitness centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤12 persons per fitness station, machine or equipment • ≤12 persons per training group or class (including the coach) • For a training group or class of more than 12 persons, there must be a distance of at least 1.5 metres between each sub-group (where there should be no more than 12 persons in each sub-group) and the relevant room(s) / exercise area(s) must meet air change requirement of 6 air change per hour (fresh air) 	N/A	N/A	✓	Active checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When consuming food/drink at the table in catering premises • When having a shower • When consuming a drink where reasonably necessary • When exercising in a room or exercising area which meets the air change requirement¹⁵ • During photo taking on stage at an event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequate distance or effective partition between fitness stations, machines or equipment • Adequate distance or effective partition between groups/sub-groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean and disinfect fitness stations, machines or equipment before and after each use 	N/A	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catering premises therein must follow applicable directions

Place of amusement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Billiard establishment and public bowling-alley: ≤12 persons per billiard table or lane • Public skating rink: ≤12 persons per group (including the coach) except during team sports⁶ • For a training group or class of more than 12 persons, there must be a distance of at least 1.5 metres between every participant (including the coach) except during team sports 	N/A	For public skating rinks allowing individual users: 85% Other places of amusement: N/A	✓ Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Passive checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter (Only for public skating rink: Active checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter)	✓ Exemption : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When having a shower • When consuming a drink where reasonably necessary • When exercising in public skating rink • During photo taking on stage at an event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Billiard establishment and public bowling-alley: adequate distance or effective partition between billiard tables or lanes, otherwise only alternate billiard tables or lanes may be opened for use • Public skating rink: adequate distance or effective partition between groups / sub-groups except during team sports⁶ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Billiard establishment and public bowling-alley: clean and disinfect facilities and accessories before use of the next hirer • Public skating rink: carry out regular environmental cleaning and disinfection on the facilities at least daily 	N/A	✓	• Closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For spectator stands, seats to be occupied must not exceed 85% of the seating capacity; and no more than 12 consecutive seats in the same row may be occupied
Place of public entertainment (PPE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤12 persons or not exceeding 85% of designed capacity per entertainment station, machine, facility or venue (whichever is more) • Unless otherwise specified, no more than 12 persons or the number of persons living in the same household, whichever is more, may be allowed in each group of visitors/guests/spectators/participants in a PPE • A place with Places of Public Entertainment Licence primarily used for a cinematograph or visual display (generally known as Cinema) and performance venue: ≤12 consecutive seats in the same row may be occupied 	N/A	85%	✓ Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Passive checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter (Only for cinema and performance venue , the latter only when the audience is allowed to consume food/drink: Active checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter)	✓ Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When consuming food/drink at the table in catering premises • When eating or drinking in outdoor areas of theme park, outdoor areas of racecourse, cinema and performance venue • When an officiating guest or speaker is making a speech to the audience or guests ¹⁶ • During photo taking on stage at an event <p>Performers in performance venue and theme park should wear masks as far as feasible and those who do not wear masks would be subject to regular testing⁷</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequate distance or effective partition between entertainment stations, machines or facilities • Museum: adequate distance or effective partition between groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean and disinfect entertainment stations, machines or facilities before use by the next customer or apply disinfection materials with durable efficacy • Carry out regular environmental cleaning and disinfection on the facilities (including storage cabinet) at least daily • Cinema: clean and disinfect the house after each screening • Performance venue: clean and disinfect the venue after each performance/rehearsal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cinema and museum: Live performance or dancing activity allowed subject to requirements in relation to testing of performers, masking, distancing, etc.¹⁹ • Performance venue: Live performance allowed⁷ • Theme park: Performance venues therein should follow applicable directions 	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catering premises therein must follow applicable directions • Ball pit must be closed

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Museum: ≤12 persons per group • Theme park: ≤12 persons per group or the number of persons living in the same household or 85% of capacity, whichever is more 					Performers in cinema and museum should wear masks as far as feasible						
Party room	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤12 persons in each room / effective partition area 	N/A	75%	✓	Active checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When consuming food/drink at the table • During photo taking on stage at an event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective partition between rooms/areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean and disinfect equipment, games, furniture and facilities before and after each booked session 	N/A	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The following premises therein must follow applicable directions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Catering premises – Karaoke establishments – Mahjong-tin kau premises • Ball pit must be closed • Steam machines or vaporised chemicals (except as part of eating, drinking or preparation of food or drink) must not be used
Beauty parlour and massage establishment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤12 persons per each partitioned service area 	N/A	N/A	✓	Active checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When having facial treatment • During photo taking on stage at an event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequate distance or effective partition between service beds or seats 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disinfect equipment, tools and service places or areas before and after each use • Change or sanitise staff’s protective gears after providing service to a customer 	N/A	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All staff must wear protective gears such as masks and face shields/goggles at all times when providing services • Customers may only be served upon appointment • All towels and consumables used must be changed after each use

												• Steam machines and vaporised chemicals must not be used
Club-house	N/A	N/A	No capacity limit in general; 85% for meeting rooms/ function rooms	✓ Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Passive checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Exemption: • Follow directions applicable to catering premises or scheduled premises therein • During photo taking on stage at an event Performers in meeting rooms / function rooms should wear masks as far as feasible	• Follow directions applicable to catering premises or scheduled premises therein	• Follow directions applicable to catering premises or scheduled premises therein	• Meeting rooms/ function rooms: Live performance or dancing activity allowed subject to requirements in relation to testing of performers, masking, distancing, etc. ¹⁹	✓	• Closed	• Catering premises or scheduled premises therein must follow applicable directions • Ball pit must be closed
Club and nightclub	• ≤6 persons per table	N/A	75%	✓ Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Active Checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Exemption: • When consuming food/drink at the table • During photo taking on stage at an event Performers should wear masks as far as feasible	• Adequate distance or effective partition between tables	N/A	Subject to requirements in relation to testing of performers, masking, distancing, etc. ¹⁹	N/A	N/A	• Catering premises therein must follow applicable directions • Before entering the premises, a customer must present a photo showing the RAT kit with negative result (on which the customer’s name as well as the date and time of taking the RAT are marked) of a test conducted within the preceding 24 hours ¹⁸
Karaoke establishment	• ≤12 persons in each room	N/A	75%	✓ Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Active checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Exemption: • When consuming food/drink at the table • During photo taking on stage at an event	N/A	• Clean and disinfect equipment, furniture and facilities before and after each booked session	N/A	N/A	N/A	• Catering premises therein must follow applicable directions

Mahjong-tin kau premises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤12 persons in each table/room 	N/A	75%	✓ Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Passive checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Exemption: • During photo taking on stage at an event	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequate distance or effective partition between tables for mahjong-tin kau activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace tile sets with cleaned and disinfected sets every time a new player joins or apply disinfection materials to the tiles with durable efficacy 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sports premises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤12 persons per each group • For team sports⁸, the maximum number of players and referees to be allowed in each playing field/court at any time during competition or training match must follow the rules and regulations of respective team sports competition 	N/A	N/A	✓ Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Active checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Exemption: • When consuming a drink where reasonably necessary • When exercising • When having a shower • When consuming food/drink at the table in catering premises • During photo taking on stage at an event • When consuming food/drink at spectator stands in outdoor premises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 1.5 metres between groups of 12 persons (as far as feasible for persons directly involved in the training for the Hong Kong representative teams and squads, provided that the areas used for the aforesaid purposes are separated from the areas used by other users), or some form of partition which could serve as effective buffer, except during team sports⁸ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean and disinfect equipment before and after each use 	N/A	✓	• Closed	• Catering premises therein must follow applicable directions

Swimming pool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤12 persons per each group • For team sports¹¹, the maximum number of players and referees to be allowed in each playing field/pool at any time during competition or training match must follow the rules and regulations of respective team sports competition 	N/A	85%	✓ Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Active checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When consuming a drink where reasonably necessary • When swimming • When having a shower • When doing warm-up exercise with adequate distance or effective partition³ between persons • When walking from a changing room to a pool or vice versa, or walking from a pool to another pool • During photo taking on stage at an event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 1.5 metres between training groups or classes of 12 persons (as far as feasible for persons directly involved in the training for the Hong Kong representative teams and squads, provided that the areas used for the aforesaid purposes are separated from the areas used by other users), except during team sports¹¹ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carry out regular environmental cleaning and disinfection on the facilities at least daily • The ratio of free residual chlorine content of the pool water must meet the standard¹⁴; a set of water testing kit must be provided, and the pool water must be tested at least once per day for its free residual chlorine content and the record of the test results must be kept 	N/A	✓	• Closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catering premises therein must follow applicable directions • Jacuzzi hot tub (if any) must remain closed
Hotel and guesthouse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Except religious or cultural ritual in relation to a wedding in a suite⁹, ≤12 persons are allowed to stay in a guest room/rental unit • ≤24 persons are allowed to stay in a suite 	N/A	No capacity limit in general; 85% for meeting rooms/ function rooms	✓ Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	N/A Persons with “Red Code” must not enter (Except those who are required to undergo isolation at the relevant hotel/ guesthouse in accordance with their isolation orders)	✓ ⁷ Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When consuming food/drink at the table in catering premises • When having a shower • Within a guest room • During photo taking on stage at an event 	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All areas, furniture and utensils etc., in the guest rooms must be disinfected after each rental session • All towels and consumables used in the guest rooms must be changed after each rental session 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting rooms/ function rooms: Live performance or dancing activity allowed subject to requirements in relation to testing of performers, masking, distancing, etc.¹⁹ 	✓ (facilities in the communal area)	• Closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catering premises or scheduled premises therein must follow applicable directions

Cruise ship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Except religious or cultural ritual in relation to a wedding in a suite⁹, ≤12 persons are allowed to stay in a guest room/rental unit • ≤24 persons are allowed to stay in a suite • ≤24 persons in a group at communal area 	N/A	75%	✓	Active checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ ⁷ Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When consuming food/drink • When having a shower • Within a guest room • During photo taking on stage at an event Performers in meeting rooms / function rooms should wear masks as far as feasible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow directions applicable to catering premises or scheduled premises therein 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All areas, furniture and utensils etc., in the guest rooms must be disinfected after each voyage • All towels and consumables used in the guest rooms must be changed after each voyage 	• Meeting rooms/ function rooms: Live performance or dancing activity allowed subject to requirements in relation to testing of performers, masking, distancing, etc. ¹⁹	✓ (facilities in the communal area)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff and customers must comply with applicable testing requirements • Catering premises or scheduled premises therein must follow applicable directions • Ball pit must be closed
Event premises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤12 persons per each group of visitors/guests/spectators/participants or the number of persons living in the same household, whichever is more 	N/A	85%	✓	Passive checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ ⁷ Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow directions applicable to catering premises or scheduled premises therein • When an officiating guest or speaker is making a speech to the audience or guests¹⁶ • During photo taking on stage at an event Performers should wear masks as far as feasible and those who do not wear masks would be subject to regular testing	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Live performance allowed • Dancing activity allowed subject to masking requirement¹⁹ 	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catering premises or scheduled premises therein must follow applicable directions • For spectator stands or seating arranged in theatre setting/classroom setting, seats to be occupied must not exceed 85% of the seating capacity; and no more than 12 consecutive seats in the same row may be occupied
Barber shop or hair salon	N/A	N/A	N/A	✓	Passive checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During photo taking on stage at an event 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scheduled premises therein must follow applicable directions

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Religious premises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤12 persons per each group of visitors/guests/ participants or the number of persons living in the same household, whichever is more 	N/A	85%	✓ Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ ¹⁰ Passive checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter (Except those who are required to undergo isolation at the relevant religious premises in accordance with their isolation orders)	✓ Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When consuming food/drink as part of a religious ritual • During photo taking on stage at an event 	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular environmental cleaning and disinfection on the facilities (including seats and any storage cabinet) must be carried out at least daily 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Shopping mall, department store, market and supermarket	N/A	N/A	N/A	✓ Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ Passive checking Persons with “Red Code” must not enter	✓ ¹³ Exemption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During photo taking on stage at an event 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catering premises or scheduled premises therein must follow applicable directions • Ball pits must be closed

Notes:

1. To facilitate public's understanding of the Vaccine Pass requirements, this note sets out the key requirements. For other relevant requirements and exemption arrangements etc., please refer to the Vaccine Pass Direction issued under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Vaccine Pass) Regulation (Cap. 599L) (G.N.(E.) 982 of 2022 or any relevant direction(s) issued thereafter) and the Vaccine Pass thematic website (www.vaccinepass.gov.hk).

In general, all persons aged 5 or above (including staff, customers, users and visitors) are required to have received two doses of COVID-19 vaccine (for children aged 5-11) or three doses of COVID-19 vaccine (for persons aged 12 or above) for entering or remaining on any specified premises (customers of hotels/guesthouses are not subject to any vaccination requirement) except for exempted persons, recovered persons and persons aged below 5. Please refer to the dosage schedule for the Vaccine Pass (www.coronavirus.gov.hk/pdf/vp_t1_ENG.pdf) for details.

Persons entering or remaining on specified premises are required to carry an electronic or a paper copy of their COVID-19 vaccination record (Vaccination Record), COVID-19 Vaccination Medical Exemption Certificate (Exemption Certificate), Provisional Vaccine Pass or Vaccine Pass (transitional), and present it on the request of authorised officers or persons-in-charge. For other Vaccine Pass requirements, please refer to the Vaccine Pass Direction (GN (E.) 982 of 2022 or any relevant direction(s) issued thereafter).

Persons exempted from the Vaccine Pass requirements include: (a) a person aged below 5; (b) a person holding an Exemption Certificate; (c) a person holding a Provisional Vaccine Pass; (d) a person holding a Vaccine Pass (transitional); (e) a person entering a premises only for placing an order for takeaway of food or drink, or taking such food or drink on the premises; (f) a person delivering or picking up an article on the premises; (g) a person performing necessary repairs on the premises; (h) a person entering or passing through a premises for receiving vaccination, medical treatment, a COVID-19 testing, receiving essential Government services, or participating in legal proceedings; and (i) a person who has lawful authority or reasonable excuse for entering or remaining on the premises. For detail of the exemption conditions, please refer to the COVID-19 Thematic Website (www.coronavirus.gov.hk/pdf/vp_t2_ENG.pdf).

For premises subject to “active checking” under the Vaccine Pass (outdoor sports premises only as far as feasible), the person-in-charge should:

- (a) display a notice in the specified format (see the Vaccine Pass Direction for detailed requirements) in a prominent position at or near every entrance to the premises;
- (b) inspect the Vaccination Records, Exemption Certificates, Provisional Vaccine Pass or Vaccine Pass (transitional) (as applicable) of all persons entering or remaining on the premises to ensure that the visitors fulfill the requirements under the Vaccine Pass;
- (c) generally speaking, for persons entering or remaining on indoor premises, other than staff members involved in the operation of the premises, use the latest version of the “QR Code Verification Scanner” mobile application developed by the Government to scan the QR code of Vaccination Record, Exemption Certificate, Provisional Vaccine Pass or Vaccine Pass (transitional) (as applicable) and keep the log record for 31 days (the person-in-charge is required to upload the log record to an information system specified by the Government on the request of an authorised officer); and
- (d) for staff members involved in the operation of the premises, collect and retain the Vaccination Record, Exemption Certificate, Provisional Vaccine Pass or Vaccine Pass (transitional) (as applicable) of his/her staff members for inspection on the request of an authorised officer.

For premises subject to “passive checking” under Vaccine Pass, the person-in-charge of the premises should:

- (a) display a notice in the specified format (see the Vaccine Pass Direction for detailed requirements) in a prominent position at or near every entrance to the premises; and
- (b) for staff members involved in the operation of the premises, collect and retain the Vaccination Record, Exemption Certificate, Provisional Vaccine Pass or Vaccine Pass (transitional) (as applicable) of his/her staff members for inspection on the request of an authorised officer.

For hotels/guesthouses, the person-in-charge of the premises should:

- (a) collect and retain the Vaccination Record, Exemption Certificate, Provisional Vaccine Pass or Vaccine Pass (transitional) (as applicable) of his/her staff members for inspection on the request of an authorised officer.

2. Arrangements must be made for all staff members involved in the operation of the catering premises and scheduled premises to undergo a rapid antigen test (RAT) for COVID-19 once every three days before entry into the premises and keep record of each RAT result for 3 days (in other words, a staff member must, on the day when he/she enters the premises for work (the relevant work day), hold a RAT result obtained on the relevant work day or on any of the two days immediately preceding the relevant work day).

3. “Adequate distance” means there is a distance of at least 1.5 metres between the two while “effective partition” means there is some form of partition which could serve as effective buffer between the two.

4. 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.

5. In respect of catering businesses, if the relevant arrangement is not practicable, it must be ensured that the staff responsible for clearing used utensils and cleaning and disinfecting used tables and partitions must adopt hand hygiene measures before switching to perform other duties, and should adopt hand hygiene measures as necessary during each round of cleaning-up duties. Hand hygiene measures include using alcohol-based hand sanitisers, washing hands or changing gloves.

6. Team sports played at public skating rinks include but are not limited to ice hockey.

7. In respect of a place of public entertainment only with live performance, theme park or a live performance at event premises, a person is required to wear a mask at any time as far as feasible when the person is performing in a live performance or rehearsing. A performer who does not wear a mask during rehearsal or performance must undergo a RAT for COVID-19 every day before entry into the premises; and there must be a distance of at least 1.5 metres

or some form of partition which could serve as effective buffer between the performer who does not wear a mask and any audience/visitors/guests.

8. Team sports played at sports premises include but are not limited to baseball, basketball, cricket, dodgeball, dodgebee, gateball, handball, hockey, kin-ball, korfball, lacrosse, netball, roller hockey, rugby, shuttlecock, football, softball, tchoukball, volleyball and woodball.

9. In respect of hotels/guesthouses, no more than 30 persons may be allowed to stay in a suite therein at one time during any religious or cultural ritual in relation to a wedding on the conditions that: (i) the ritual takes place between 8am to 5pm; and (ii) a person must wear a mask at all times within that suite except when consuming food or drink as part of the ritual.

10. In respect of event premises and religious premises, participants of the following ceremony (who are not staff involved in the operation of the premises) need not comply with the relevant applicable requirements under the Vaccine Pass Direction:

(i) a wedding ceremony with the number of participants not exceeding the statutory required attendance for marriage (i.e. (a) the Register, civil celebrant or officiating minister; (b) the wedding parties; and (c) 2 witnesses) under the Marriage Ordinance (Chapter 181) where no food or drink served (except as part of a religious ritual) (in other words, if all participants attending a wedding ceremony at an event premises/religious premises comply with the applicable requirements under the Vaccine Pass Direction, the maximum number of persons allowed at the relevant wedding ceremony would be 85% of the capacity of the event premises/religious premises) ; or

(ii) a funeral or any other occasion for mourning for or remembering a deceased who has yet to be buried or cremated.

11. Team sports played at swimming pools include but are not limited to artistic swimming, water polo, canoe polo and underwater hockey.

12. Apart from the measures set out in this annex, all catering business and scheduled premises must also adopt the other applicable measures as required under the relevant specification and directions issued under Cap. 599F, including but not limited to screening of body temperature of customers, provision of hand sanitiser and adopting corresponding measures for reducing transmission risks when certain requirements or restrictions under Cap. 599F directions are not complied with (if applicable).

13. The mark-wearing requirement applies except in circumstances set out as reasonable excuse for not wearing a mask under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Wearing of Mask) Regulation (Cap. 599I).

14. The free residual chlorine content of the pool water must be maintained at a level of not less than 1 part per million (where chlorine compounds are used for disinfecting the pool water) or not less than 0.5 part per million (where chlorine compounds are used to supplement disinfection by ozone of the pool water) at all times during which the pool is in use by swimmers.

15. In respect of fitness centres, persons in the premises need not wear a mask when exercising in a room or exercising area which fulfills the following air change requirements:

(i) the air change per hour (fresh air) (ACH) is 6 or above; or

(ii) air purifiers that meet the specified specifications set out in FEHD's webpage have been installed;

and that a certificate filled in and signed by a registered specialist contractor (ventilation works category), specifying the ACH of the room and the relevant information about the air purifiers installed (including type, brand, model, quantity and location) if the ACH of the room is not 6 or above, is displayed at a conspicuous location of the premises.

16. Any person, as an officiating guest or speaker, may not have to wear a mask when delivering a speech to the audience or guests during an event, provided that:

(i) there should be a distance of at least 1.5 metres or some form of partition which could serve as an effective buffer between that person and the audience or guests;

(ii) no sharing of equipment such as microphone with other persons is allowed; and

(iii) after the speech delivery is completed, the used equipment such as microphone must be cleaned and disinfected.

17. Persons with a "Red Code" are not allowed to enter any of the catering premises and scheduled premises regulated under Cap. 599F, except those who are required to undergo isolation at the relevant hotel/guesthouse or religious premises in accordance with their isolation orders, or those who are attending a funeral or any other occasion for mourning for / remembering a deceased with the approval from a health officer.

Persons responsible for/managers of premises that are required to use the "QR Code Verification Scanner" shall use the most updated version of scanner and ensure that the relevant mobile device(s) is/are connected to the Internet (either through WiFi or data cards) during the operating hours of the premises, for scanning the Vaccination Record, Exemption Certificate, Provisional Vaccine Pass or Vaccine Pass (transitional) of customers/users/visitors entering the premises, so as to differentiate customers/users/visitors entering the premises are not persons with "Red Code". As for premises which are required to conduct visual inspection of the QR code of the Vaccine Pass presented by the customers/users/visitors as far as feasible, the aforementioned practice should be implemented to differentiate persons under the categories of "Red Code".

Moreover, persons responsible for/managers of premises must make practicable and feasible arrangements to ensure that staff members with a "Red Code" and involved in the operation of the premises must not enter the premises.

18. If the customer holds a SMS (mobile phone text message) notification containing the result of a PCR test, the result of which is negative, and the SMS notification was issued within the 48 hours preceding his/her entry into the bar or pub zone of a catering premises, a bar or pub, a club and a nightclub, or a catering premises for participating in a banquet activity, then he/she would be taken to have complied with the requirements pertaining to undergoing a RAT test. A person under the age of 3 is not required to comply with the requirement to take the RAT test. A banquet refers to a situation in which customers exceeding the number are allowed to be seated together at one table (i.e. exceeding 12 persons) for dining together at a catering premises with a common purpose.

19. In respect of live performance in catering premises, bars/pubs, clubs/nightclubs, cinemas, museums, as well as meeting rooms/function rooms in club-houses, hotels/guesthouses and cruise ships:

- (a) arrangements must be made for the performer(s) to undergo an RAT test on the day he/she enters the premises for performance/rehearsal before his/her entry;
- (b) wear a mask at any time as far as feasible when a person is performing in a live performance or rehearsing;
- (c) there should be a distance of at least 1.5 metres or some form of partition which could serve as an effective buffer between that performer(s) and the audience or guests;
- (d) there should be no mingling between that performer(s) and the audience or guests on the premises; and
- (e) clean and disinfect the venue after each performance/rehearsal.

In respect of participants of dancing activity in catering premises, bars/pubs, clubs/nightclubs, cinemas, museums, as well as meeting rooms/function rooms in club-houses, hotels/guesthouses and cruise ships, they must wear a mask at all times while dancing.