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To: All Club Certificate of Compliance Holders or Responsible Persons
All Hotel / Guesthouse Licensees or Responsible Persons

Dear Sir/Madam,

Government to further relax social distancing measures under “vaccine bubble”

The Government gazetted directions and specifications under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) to further relax social distancing measures on conditions with “vaccine bubble” as the basis. The requirements and restrictions under the latest directions come into effect on 24 June 2021 for a period of 14 days till 7 July 2021.

2. Scheduled premises including **hotels, guesthouses and club-houses** may continue to open when the relevant requirements and restrictions are fulfilled. The following facilities in hotels, guesthouses and club-houses (if any) can operate according to the specified operation mode if specified measures are adopted –

(a) Bar / Pub

Type 1 Mode of Operation (i.e. **all staff and customers** have received the first dose of vaccine and that all customers use the ‘LeaveHomeSafe’ mobile application): The premises may continue to operate every day from **5am to 1.59am** on the subsequent day, with the number of customers at the premises at any one time relaxed to **75%** of the normal seating capacity of the premises and the maximum number of customers at the same table increased to **4**.

Type 2 Mode of Operation (i.e. **all staff** completed the vaccination course, **customers** have received the first dose of vaccine, and that all customers use the ‘LeaveHomeSafe’ mobile application): The premises are relaxed to operate every day from **5am to 3.59am** on the subsequent day, with the number of customers at the premises at any one time relaxed to **100%** of the normal seating capacity of the premises and the maximum number of customers at the same table increased to **8**.

(b) Club / Nightclub, Bathhouse, Party Room and Karaoke Establishment

Type 1 Mode of Operation (i.e. **all staff and customers** have received the first dose of vaccine and that all customers use the 'LeaveHomeSafe' mobile application): The premises may continue to operate every day from **9am to 1.59am** on the subsequent day. For club / nightclub, bathhouse, party room and karaoke establishment, the number of customers at the premises at any one time is relaxed to **75%** of the normal capacity of the premises. For club / nightclub, no more than **4 persons** can be seated together at one table; for party rooms and karaoke establishments, the maximum number of people allowed per room / to be seated together at one table is increased to **8**.

Type 2 Mode of Operation (i.e. **all staff** completed the vaccination course, **customers** have received the first dose of vaccine, and that all customers use the 'LeaveHomeSafe' mobile application): The premises are relaxed to operate every day from **9am to 3.59am** on the subsequent day. For club / nightclub, bathhouse, party room and karaoke establishment, the number of customers at the premises at any one time is relaxed to **100%** of the normal capacity of the premises. For club / nightclub, no more than **8 persons** can be seated together at one table; for party rooms and karaoke establishments, the maximum number of people allowed per room / to be seated together at one table is increased to **12**.

(c) Mahjong-tin kau Premises

Type 1 Mode of Operation (i.e. **all staff** have received the first dose of vaccine and that all customers use the 'LeaveHomeSafe' mobile application): The premises may continue to operate every day from **12noon to 11.59pm**, with the number of customers at the premises at any one time is increased to **75%** of the normal capacity of the premises.

Type 2 Mode of Operation (i.e. **all staff** have completed the vaccination course, **customers** have received the first dose of vaccine, and that all customers use the 'LeaveHomeSafe' mobile application): The premises may continue to operate every day from **12noon to 11.59pm**, with the number of customers at the premises at any one time is increased to **100%** of the normal capacity of the premises.

(d) Catering Business

All catering business must operate according to one or more of the operating mode(s) according to the latest directions. The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department has launched a designated webpage (www.fehd.gov.hk/english/events/covid19/vaccine_bubble_FP.html) to explain the relevant requirements to the trade and provided the template notices, forms, posters and QR Code Verification Scanner for download and use.

For those under **Type C Mode of Operation**, the maximum number of customers is relaxed to **75%** of the normal seating capacity of the premises with the maximum number of customers at the same table maintains at **6** and the maximum number of persons per banquet maintains at **20**.

For those under **Type D Mode of Operation**, the maximum number of customers is relaxed to 100% of the normal seating capacity of the premises, and the maximum number of customers at the same table is increased to **12**. The vaccination requirements for customers is relaxed to two-thirds of the persons at the same table having received the first dose of vaccine. Regarding banquets, there should be at least two-thirds of the participants who have received the first dose of vaccine, and the maximum number of participants is increased to **180**.

(For details of the above requirements, please refer to the Government press release¹ issued on 22 June 2021, and Government Notice (GN) 376 of 2021² and GN 377 of 2021³.)

3. The Office of the Licensing Authority of the Home Affairs Department will conduct inspections to various premises to ascertain the compliance to the directions. Since the epidemic situation could fluctuate, special arrangements may have to be re-introduced at short notice. Please continue to pay attention to further updates available on the website of the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health.

4. To safeguard public health and to allow the resuming of normal activities of society gradually, please support the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

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Office of the Licensing Authority

¹ The press release is accessible at www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202106/22/P2021062101063.htm

² GN 376 of 2021 is accessible at www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/pdf/202125165e/egn202125165376.pdf

³ GN 377 of 2021 is accessible at www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/pdf/202125165e/egn202125165377.pdf