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To: All Club Certificate of Compliance Holders or Responsible Persons

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Latest Directions by the Secretary for Food and Health
published on 17 February 2021
(Government begins to relax social distancing measures
in a gradual and orderly manner)**

The epidemic situation has improved in the past one month. The Government begins to relax social distancing measures in a gradual and orderly manner. The latest directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) on 17 February 2021 will take effect from 18 February 2021 to 3 March 2021 for a period of 14 days.

2. Club-houses, as one of the scheduled premises under Cap. 599F, in compliance with the following requirements, may open.
- (a) a poster (not less than A4 size) 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 with a mobile phone by a person entering the premises;
 - (b) a person must wear a mask at any time where practicable within the clubhouse;
 - (c) body temperature screening on a person must be conducted before the person is allowed to enter the clubhouse;
 - (d) hand sanitizers must be provided;
 - (e) any **catering premises** therein must follow the applicable directions as set out at Government Notice (GN) 106 of 2021¹ issued under Cap. 599F. For premises adopting a series of infection control measures, including two newly added measures: -
 - (i) it must be ensured that before a user is allowed to enter the premises, the user scans the “LeaveHomeSafe” venue QR code or registers his/her name, contact number and the date and time of his/her visit with written or electronic records to be kept for 31 days; and

¹ GN 106 of 2021 is accessible at <https://www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/pdf/20212543e/egn20212543106.pdf>

- (ii) arrangements must be made for all staff involved in the operation of the premises to undergo a polymerase chain reaction-based nucleic acid test for COVID-19 every 14 days starting from 11 February 2021 and ensure the staff obtain SMS notification containing the result of the test before 25 February 2021 and the end of every subsequent 14-day period and keep records of each SMS notification for 31 days,

they may provide dine-in service up till 9.59 pm each day with a maximum of four guests per table; and

- (f) any part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as **amusement game centre, fitness centre, place of amusement, beauty parlour, massage establishment, sport premises, meeting room/multi-purpose room as well as cinema** in club-houses may be open subject to compliance with the respective restrictions and requirements applicable to the premises, including the above two new measures on the use of “LeaveHomeSafe” QR code/registration of users and arrangement of staff for regular COVID-19 tests.

3. For your attention, the following premises and facilities in club-houses (if any) must be closed:

- (a) bar or pub;
- (b) bathhouse;
- (c) party rooms;
- (d) club or nightclub;
- (e) karaoke establishment;
- (f) mah jong/tin kau premises;
- (g) swimming pool;
- (h) steam and sauna facilities;
- (i) ball pits; and
- (j) areas for live performance and dancing activities.

4. For details of the latest directions in relation to scheduled premises, please refer to the Government press release² and GN 107 of 2021³ issued on 17 February 2021.

5. As the epidemic situation could fluctuate, you are requested to pay attention to the updates on the various social distancing measures available on the website of the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health.

6. May I take this opportunity to thank you for your support in fighting the virus.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

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² The press release is accessible at <https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202102/17/P2021021700662.htm>

³ GN 107 of 2021 is accessible at <https://www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/pdf/20212543e/egn20212543107.pdf>