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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 9 July 2020**

The epidemic situation of COVID-19 in Hong Kong has undergone drastic changes recently with noticeable increase in the number of new cases. Based on the the “suppress and lift” strategy all along adopted by the Government, it is now necessary to quickly adjust epidemic control measures. The Secretary for Food and Health published latest directions on 9 July 2020 under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions)(Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) to tighten social distancing measures, including the limits on number of persons and capacity, as well as other infection control requirements on catering business and some scheduled premises.

2. Amongst others, the number of customers at any catering premises at any one time must not exceed 60% of the normal seating capacity of the premises. No more than 8 persons may be seated together at one table within any catering premises, while for bars and pubs, no more than 4 persons may be seated together at one table therein. For party rooms and karaoke establishments, the number of persons allowed in each room at the same time is tightened from 16 to 8. For fitness centres, the number of persons (including the coach) allowed in each group training or class at the same time is tightened from 16 to 8. For a group training or class of more than 8 persons, it must be conducted in a way to ensure that persons are arranged in groups of no more than 8 persons and there is at least 1.5 metres between each group or there is some form of partition which could serve as effective buffer between each group. The coach must wear a mask all the time if he/she is not staying at a fixed location not less than 1.5 metres from other persons. The requirements and restrictions under the latest directions will come into effect on 11 July 2020 for a period of 14 days till 24 July 2020.

3. For details of the latest directions, please refer to the Government press release published on 9 July 2020 (www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202007/09/P2020070900723.htm).
4. 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. Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)
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