

**L.N. 125 of 2020**

**Prevention and Control of Disease (Prohibition on Group Gathering) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulation 2020**

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 8 of the Prevention and Control of Disease Ordinance (Cap. 599))

**1. Commencement**

This Regulation comes into operation on 19 June 2020.

**2. Prevention and Control of Disease (Prohibition on Group Gathering) Regulation amended**

The Prevention and Control of Disease (Prohibition on Group Gathering) Regulation (Cap. 599 sub. leg. G) is amended as set out in sections 3, 4 and 5.

**3. Section 2 amended (interpretation)**

Section 2, definition of *group gathering*—

**Repeal**

“8”

**Substitute**

“50”.

**4. Section 10 amended (power to disperse prohibited group gathering etc.)**

Section 10(2)—

**Repeal**

“8”

**Substitute**

“50”.

**5. Schedule 1 amended (exempted group gatherings)**

(1) Schedule 1—

**Repeal item 10.**

(2) Schedule 1, item 11—

**Repeal**

“, in the case of a group gathering of more than 50 persons, measures are in place for separating them”

**Substitute**

“measures are in place for separating the participants in the gathering”.

(3) Schedule 1, item 13, after “section”—

**Add**

“6 or”.

(4) Schedule 1, item 14—

**Repeal**

“(other than a wedding ceremony)”.

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### **Explanatory Note**

This Regulation amends the Prevention and Control of Disease (Prohibition on Group Gathering) Regulation (Cap. 599 sub. leg. G) (*principal Regulation*) to—

- (a) relax the number of persons constituting a “group gathering” prohibited, or gatherings that may be dispersed, under the principal Regulation from more than 8 to more than 50;
- (b) streamline the exemptions under the principal Regulation in view of the relaxation; and
- (c) provide for an exemption for group gatherings at catering business premises.