

**Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation Relating to the Prevention and Control of Disease**

**Summary Table of Amendment Regulations**  
**under the Prevention and Control of Disease Ordinance (Cap. 599)**

	<b>Legal Notice</b>	<b>Amendment Regulation</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
<b><i>Cap. 599F – Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirement and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation</i></b>				
1.	L.N. 52 of 2021	Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulation 2021	29 April 2021	To amend Cap. 599F to – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) require persons who enter, or are present on, any premises of a catering business that sells or supplies food or drink for consumption on its premises or any scheduled premises to comply with directions issued by the Secretary for Food and Health (“SFH”) under Cap. 599F;</li> <li>(ii) create offences of contravening the requirement in (i) above;</li> <li>(iii) empower managers (and persons authorized by the managers) of those premises to –               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. require persons who enter, or are present on, those premises to provide records, documents or information that is necessary for securing compliance with the directions; and</li> <li>b. inspect and examine such records, documents or information;</li> </ul> </li> <li>(iv) create an offence of providing false or misleading record, document or information to authorized officers; and</li> <li>(v) provide for the payment of a fixed penalty to discharge the liability of offences in (ii) above.</li> </ul>
<b><i>Cap. 599G – Prevention and Control of Disease (Prohibition on Group Gathering) Regulation</i></b>				
2.	L.N. 53 of 2021	Prevention and Control of Disease (Prohibition on Group Gathering) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulation 2021	29 April 2021	To amend Cap. 599G to – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) provide for additional exempted group gatherings, namely -               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. group gatherings during wedding ceremonies, certain</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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				<p>meetings<sup>1</sup> (e.g. annual general meetings/extraordinary general meetings) or religious activities participated only by persons who meet certain conditions; and</p> <p>b. group gatherings during certain tours if all relevant staff members meet certain conditions;</p> <p>(ii) empower SFH to specify the conditions mentioned in (i) above;</p> <p>(iii) confer certain powers on organizers of group gatherings described in (i) above, including a power to require provision of certain record, document or information;</p> <p>(iv) provide for defences for persons who are charged with an offence under section 6 of Cap. 599G for being involved in a prohibited group gathering that would have been an exempted group gathering described in (i) if all or certain persons participating in the gathering met the relevant conditions; and</p> <p>(v) create a new offence of providing false or misleading record, document or information to an authorized officer.</p>

Note: Cap. 599F and 599G concern social distancing measures.

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<sup>1</sup> Such meetings are:-

- (a) a meeting of a body that must be held within a specified period in order to comply with any Ordinance or other regulatory instrument that governs the operation of the body or its business; or
- (b) a shareholders' meeting of a company listed on a recognized stock market (as defined by section 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571)) that is held in accordance with any Ordinance or other regulatory instrument that governs the operation of the company or its business.