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Prevention and Control of Disease (Regulation of Cross-boundary Conveyances and Travellers) (Amendment) (No. 3) 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 24 December 2020.

2. Prevention and Control of Disease (Regulation of Cross-boundary Conveyances and Travellers) Regulation amended

The Prevention and Control of Disease (Regulation of Cross-boundary Conveyances and Travellers) Regulation (Cap. 599 sub. leg. H) is amended as set out in sections 3 and 4.

3. Section 2 amended (interpretation)

(1) Section 2(1), definition of *relevant traveller*, paragraph (a)—

Repeal

“the 14 days”

Substitute

“a specified period”.

(2) Section 2(1)—

Add in alphabetical order

“*specified period* (指明期間), in relation to a specified place in which a person who falls within paragraph (a) of the definition of *relevant traveller* has stayed, means a period specified under section 5(2A) for that place;”.

4. Section 5 amended (Secretary for Food and Health may specify conditions, places and types of persons)

(1) Section 5, heading, after “**places**”—

Add

“, **periods**”.

(2) After section 5(2)—

Add

“(2A) For the purposes of the definition of *specified period* in section 2(1), the Secretary may, by notice published in the Gazette, specify a period for a specified place in which a person who falls within paragraph (a) of the definition of *relevant traveller* in that section has stayed.

(2B) For the purposes of subsection (2A), the Secretary may specify different periods for different places.

(2C) A period specified under subsection (2A) must not exceed 28 days.”.

(3) Section 5(4), after “(2)” —

Add

“, (2A)”.

(4) Section 5(5), after “(1)” —

Add

“, (2A)”.

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Section 4

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(5) Section 5(5)(a), after “extent”—

Add

“and pattern (whether general or specific)”.

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Explanatory Note

The definition of *relevant traveller* in section 2(1) of the Prevention and Control of Disease (Regulation of Cross-boundary Conveyances and Travellers) Regulation (Cap. 599 sub. leg. H) (*principal Regulation*) includes a person on a certain conveyance who, on the day on which the person boarded the conveyance or during a certain period (*specified period*) before that day, has stayed in a place specified by the Secretary for Food and Health (*Secretary*) under section 5(3) of the principal Regulation (*specified place*). Currently, the specified period is 14 days.

2. This Regulation amends the principal Regulation to empower the Secretary to specify different specified periods for different specified places.
3. A specified period so specified must not exceed 28 days.
4. The Regulation also revises the factors to which the Secretary must have regard before exercising the powers under section 5 of the principal Regulation so that the Secretary must also have regard to the pattern (whether general or specific) of the spread of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in a place.