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Prevention and Control of Disease (Prohibition on Gathering) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulation 2022

(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 21 April 2022.

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

The Prevention and Control of Disease (Prohibition on Gathering) Regulation (Cap. 599 sub. leg. G) is amended as set out in sections 3 to 6.

3. Section 2 amended (interpretation)

Section 2—

Repeal the definition of *group gathering*

Substitute

“*group gathering* (羣組聚集)—see section 2A(1);”.

4. Section 2A added

Part 1, after section 2—

Add

“2A. What is group gathering

- (1) For the purposes of this Regulation, a group gathering is a gathering of persons the number of which exceeds the number specified by the Secretary.

- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), the Secretary may, by notice published in the Gazette, specify a number that is not less than 2.
- (3) Any notice published under subsection (2) is not subsidiary legislation.”.

5. Section 8A amended (prohibition on multi-household gatherings)

Section 8A(1), after “premises”—

Add

“other than Cap. 599F premises”.

6. Section 10 amended (power to disperse prohibited group gathering etc. in public place)

Section 10(2), after “1.5 m”—

Add

“, and the total number of participants of the gatherings exceeds the number specified under section 2A(2)”.

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Explanatory Note

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

- (a) empower the Secretary for Food and Health to specify a number that is not less than 2 for the purposes of the definition of *group gathering*; and
- (b) exclude premises regulated under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599 sub. leg. F) from the prohibition on multi-household gatherings.