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SAFE MANAGEMENT MEASURES FOR PRIVATE TUITION AND ENRICHMENT

The Multi-Ministry Task Force (MTF) announced on 24 March 2022 that as the local situation has improved considerably, we are now ready to ease some of our Safe Management Measures (SMMs) with effect from 29 March 2022, as we progress with our transition into a COVID-19 resilient nation.

[With effect from 29 March 2022] Cessation of Fast and Easy Testing (FET) Requirements for Private Tuition and Enrichment

2. All enterprises in the Private Tuition and Enrichment sector that were on the FET regime have not been required to continue testing since 18 February 2022.
3. **From 29 March 2022**, Rostered Routine Testing for all previously mandatory sectors (i.e., healthcare sector, eldercare sector, and settings with children below 5 years old¹) will end as well.

[With effect from 29 March 2022] Safe Management Measures in Centres with On-Site Instruction

4. Centres that conduct on-site instruction are required to abide by the nationwide SMMs for workplaces. More information can be found at <https://www.mom.gov.sg/covid-19/>.
5. All centres conducting on-site instruction (whether indoors or outdoors), are expected to observe all the following measures in classrooms and other areas accessed by students. For avoidance of doubt, these measures apply to **all classes**, except where there are additional safe management measures, as set out in Para 6.

a. Safe distancing. Safe distancing measures include:

- i. Students: Safe distancing will continue to be required for all mask-off settings, and encouraged but not required for mask-on settings. This refers to safe distancing of 1m between individuals or organising students into groups of no more than **10 persons**, with 1m spacing between groups where possible.

¹ This included staff as well as third-party vendors in preschools, Early Intervention centres, and Private Education Institutions with children below 5 years old.

- ii. **Capacity:** Mask-on classes can proceed without being subject to any capacity limit, subject to prevailing fire safety and room capacity requirements.

b. Health declarations. Students and staff who are on Health Risk Notice (HRN) are encouraged to minimise unnecessary social interactions. In the event that they need to enter the centre, they may only be allowed to enter the centre if they produce photo-evidence of a negative Antigen Rapid test (ART) taken on that day.

c. Sharing of equipment. Sharing of all equipment (e.g., props, music scores, and microphones) should be avoided as far as possible. If this cannot be done, the equipment should be thoroughly cleaned and/or disinfected before being handled or used by others.

d. Wearing of masks.

- i. For **indoor** classes, masks must be worn as a default at all times, except for persons allowed to use face shields instead of masks (e.g., persons with health conditions resulting in breathing/medical difficulties when a mask is worn for a prolonged period). Instructors are expected to wear a surgical mask or reusable masks of equivalent effectiveness at all times.

- ii. For **outdoor** classes (i.e., held in open spaces), individuals may choose to wear masks for personal protection and to protect others, especially in crowded areas.

e. Ventilation. All premises should abide by the latest guidance on improving ventilation and indoor air quality in buildings amid the COVID-19 situation, available on the [NEA website](#).

6. Different class size and group size limits apply to some classes, including those involving indoor mask-off activities, depending on the activity, setting and vaccination² status of students:

a. For all sport or physical activity classes, as well as outdoor dance classes, please refer to the Sport Singapore advisory, available at <https://www.sportsingapore.gov.sg/COVID19/Safe-Management-Measures>.

b. For indoor dance classes, singing, the playing of instruments that require the intentional expulsion of air (e.g. wind/brass instruments), voice training, and speech and drama classes, please refer to the National Arts Council's advisory, available at <https://www.nac.gov.sg/support/covid-19/safe-management-measures-smms>.

² Please refer to the First Schedule of the Infectious Diseases (COVID-19 Access Restrictions and Clearance) Regulations 2021 for the most updated information on the vaccination regimen and approved vaccines recognised for eligibility for vaccination differentiated SMMS.

7. Centres should also abide by other sector-specific safe management measures available on the [GoBusiness website](#), and to prevailing circulars issued by the Government.

[With effect from 29 March 2022] Indoor Live Performances

8. Tuition and enrichment centres may hold indoor live performances, subject to adherence to safe management measures outlined in the National Arts Council Advisory, available at <https://www.nac.gov.sg/support/covid-19/safe-management-measures-smms/updated-resumption-of-live-performances>. MOE's approval will no longer be required.

Private Tuition / Enrichment in Private Residences

9. Home-based tuition/enrichment that conduct in-person lessons will be subject to the prevailing national group size limit and number of unique household visitors allowed at any one time. Individuals who visit private residences to provide tuition and enrichment are strongly advised to only visit other residences if they are fully vaccinated, so as to protect those who are unvaccinated from exposure to the virus. The prevailing national limits can be found at <https://www.moh.gov.sg/covid-19-phase-advisory>.

10. Home ventilation should be improved by opening doors and windows. Fans can be used to promote air circulation when needed.

[Updated 5 Apr 2022] SafeEntry and TraceTogether Programme

11. Since 17 May 2021, all tuition and enrichment centres must implement TraceTogether-only SafeEntry (TT-only SafeEntry) at their premises. It is also mandatory for all tuition and enrichment centres to deploy SafeEntry Gateway (SEGW) to facilitate SafeEntry check-in. Tuition and enrichment centres are reminded to download the SafeEntry (Business) app to use the SEGW function, or register for a SEGW box at go.gov.sg/gateway-overview.

12. Entry to the centres is allowed only if the individual checks-in using TT-only SafeEntry. This includes staff, students aged 7 years and above, parents and other visitors. If any student forgets to bring his/her TT token and is unable to download and use the TT app on his/her phone (e.g., phone is out of battery), the student's personal details should be noted down as a last resort, before he/she is granted entry. The centre should retain all such records for at least a month to facilitate contact tracing, if necessary.

13. Tuition and enrichment centres located within premises (such as malls) that already require SafeEntry upon entry, need not conduct SafeEntry. However, they will need to do so if they operate outside the hours of the premises or have their own direct entrances separate from the mall entrance.

14. More information on SafeEntry is available at <https://www.safeentry.gov.sg>.

Inspections

15. Tuition and enrichment centres are responsible for ensuring that all safe management measures are implemented onsite at all times. To ensure compliance, inspectors from MOE will be conducting inspections to check on the proper implementation of the safe management measures. **Under the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Act, first-time offenders will face a fine of up to S\$10,000, imprisonment of up to six months, or both. For subsequent offences, they may face a fine of up to S\$20,000, imprisonment of up to twelve months, or both.**

16. Businesses that do not implement or comply with the government's safe management measures may be ineligible for government grants, loans, tax rebates and other assistance, and may also be subject to temporary closures.

Updates and Clarifications

17. There will be regular review of measures and requirements as the COVID-19 situation evolves. For updates, please refer to the GoBusiness website at <https://covid.gobusiness.gov.sg/>.

18. For clarifications, please refer to the following:

Agency	Contact
MOE	FAQs: https://moe.gov.sg/faqs-covid-19-infection You may also contact MOE at https://www.moe.gov.sg/contact
ECDA	You may contact ECDA at contact@ecda.gov.sg
National Arts Council	You may contact NAC at NAC_Feedback@nac.gov.sg
Sport Singapore	You may contact SportSG at https://members.myactivesg.com/feedback