### With effect from 26 April 2022

# <u>Safe Management Measures for</u> Marriage Solemnisations and Wedding Receptions

These Safe Management Measures (SMMs) aim to provide a safe environment for wedding couples and their guests during marriage solemnisations and wedding receptions.

Organisers (which could include venue operators/owners<sup>1</sup>, wedding planners, the wedding couple and/or their relatives/friends), who are responsible for supplying or procuring the premises and any goods and services related to the solemnisation or wedding (whether or not for reward and whether jointly or otherwise), are required to put in place the applicable safe management measures.

The SMMs are revised along these four parameters<sup>2</sup>:

- a. Group Sizes: There is no longer a group size limit.
- b. Mask-Wearing: **Mask-wearing continues to be required for indoor settings and remains optional in outdoor settings.** However, we encourage individuals to wear their masks even when outdoors for personal protection and to protect others, especially in crowded areas.
- c. Safe Distancing: Safe distancing is no longer required between individuals or between groups.
- d. Capacity Limits: The capacity limit for large events and mask-on settings of more than 1,000 pax is removed.

#### This set of SMMs applies with effect from 26 April 2022.

The SMMs for marriage solemnisations and wedding receptions are updated as follows:

	From 26 April 2022 onwards		
Marriage Solemnisations & Wedding Receptions			
ROM/M Building	For marriage solemnization only		
	<ul> <li>Up to 20 attendees<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Vaccination-Differentiated SMMs (VDS) is not required</li> </ul>		

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes the religious organisation if held in a place of worship.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Refer to MTF press release dated 22 April 2022 for the details of these core parameters.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This is in accordance with Fire Safety considerations

Home / External venues	<ul> <li>No limit on event size</li> <li>Group size and safe distancing is not required.</li> <li>Mask-wearing is mandatory for indoor settings; it is optional but encouraged for outdoor settings.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Vaccination-Differentiated SMMs (VDS) requirement<sup>4</sup>:</li> <li>For events with up to 500 attendees at any one time, VDS is not required         <ul> <li>The exception is when the event is held at F&amp;B establishments, where VDS is required for dining-in customers. Couples and organisers should advise the attendees that VDS is required and they need to be fully vaccinated.</li> </ul> </li> <li>For events with more than 500 attendees at any one time, VDS is required</li> </ul>

## 1. Overview

- 1.1. Prevailing rules will continue to apply to each entity/venue. Venue owners may determine if and when to allow marriage solemnisations and/or wedding receptions to be held in their premises, and may set additional conditions for their use, based on their capacity or ability to ensure safe management measures are implemented.
- 1.2. The Solemniser will postpone the solemnisation if safe management measures are not implemented or adhered to for the solemnisation.
- 1.3. For external venues (excluding home and ROM/M Building), organisers should prepare response plans to manage situations such as handling unwell attendees. This includes ensuring staff are familiar with the procedures in the handling of unwell and/or uncooperative attendees.

### 2. Vaccination-Differentiated Safe Management Measures (VDS)

- 2.1. VDS for vaccinated individuals are required for selected premises, activities, and events, including marriage solemnisations and wedding receptions. Please refer to the MOH advisory on VDS for the most updated information on the vaccination regimens and approved vaccines recognized for eligibility for VDS. Individuals may check whether they are considered "fully vaccinated" at <a href="https://go.gov.sg/vax-status-query">https://go.gov.sg/vax-status-query</a>.
- 2.2. The following categories of individuals are allowed to enter premises or participate in events where VDS are required:
  - (i) Fully vaccinated i.e. has received the appropriate regimen of World Health Organisation's Emergency Use Listing (WHO EUL) vaccines including their respective duration post-vaccination for the vaccine to be fully effective, and had their vaccination records ingested in MOH's national IT systems. From 14 February 2022, persons aged 18 years old and above who have completed the primary vaccination series and are eligible for booster vaccination will be considered as fully vaccinated for 270 days after the last dose in their primary vaccination series. Upon receiving their booster, they will continue to be considered as fully vaccinated beyond the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Refer to para 2 for details of VDS requirements.

- 270 days. The same will apply to persons aged 12 to 17 years old from 14 March 2022;
- (ii) Recovered from COVID-19 in Singapore with unvaccinated or incomplete vaccination status within 180 days starting from the day of first local positive Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test result, or positive Antigen Rapid Test (ART) result obtained at approved test providers (including self-administered ART and supervised self-administered ART), or positive serology test attributable to infection and not past vaccination;
- (iii) Children who are 12 years old and below (i.e. born in or after the year 2010), who are unvaccinated, are also eligible for VDS;
- (v) Individuals who are certified to be medically ineligible for all vaccines under the National Vaccination Programme (NVP). To be certified as medically ineligible, individuals may visit a doctor familiar with their medical condition, or alternatively, any clinic or hospital.
- 2.3. Where VDS apply, the organisers of the event are required to check that the relevant attendees meet the eligibility requirements stated in para 2.2. before allowing them entry to or remain in the event venue to attend the marriage solemnisation or wedding reception.

2.4. For marriage solemnisation and wedding reception held in <u>F&B</u> establishment, the VDS entry checks requirements are below:

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Event size	<b>VDS Requirement</b>	VDS Entry Checks		
Less than 500 attendees	Required	Not required. Couples and organisers should advise the attendees that VDS is required and they need to be fully vaccinated		
More than 500 attendees	Required	Required		

#### 3. Mask Wearing

- 3.1. Mask-wearing is only required for wedding events in indoor settings. It is optional, but encouraged for wedding events in outdoor settings.
- 3.2. In all mask-on setting, organisers must ensure that attendees are wearing face masks in accordance with the prevailing national policy, with the exception of the bride and groom who may wear face shields during the course of the event instead. The bride and groom may also remove their face shield or mask for key moments only (e.g. when exchanging vows for rings, kiss, march-in/outs).
- 3.3. Masks may be removed momentarily for photo-taking, and must be worn immediately after the photos are taken.

#### 4. Food and Beverage

- 4.1. Food and beverage can be served at the marriage solemnisations.
- 4.2. Staff-served food lines are allowed at wedding events. Food must be served by workers at food lines. Self-service buffets are not allowed.

#### 5. Live Performances and other high-risk activities

- 5.1. Live performances and activities including singing, playing of wind instruments and dancing are allowed for marriage solemnisation and wedding receptions.
- 5.2. Group requirement and safe distancing requirement are not required for live performances.