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### SAFE MANAGEMENT MEASURES FOR SOLEMNIZATIONS

- The solemnization party should comply with the attendance limits for the solemnization venue as shown below:

#### ROMM, Mosques and Place of residence

Venue	Attendance limits <sup>1</sup>
ROMM	10 persons (couple, witnesses, wali, 5 guests), excluding solemnizer and vendors. A maximum of 2 vendors allowed per couple.
Mosques	50 persons (excluding solemnizer, venue operator and vendors) or individual mosque's capacity limits and safe management measures, whichever is lower.
Place of residence	10 persons (this includes the wedding couple and members of the hosting household but excluding the solemnizer and vendors).

#### Other external venues

	Attendance limits (without Pre-Event Testing)	Attendance limits (with Pre-Event Testing)
<b>Marriage Solemnizations only (no wedding reception)</b>	Up to a maximum of 50 attendees (including couple).  Pre-Event Testing is <u>not</u> required for the couple and all attendees.  Group size of up to 2 persons.	More than 50 attendees, up to a maximum of 100 attendees (including couple).  Pre-Event Testing is required for couple and <b>all</b> attendees.  Group size of up to 2 persons.
<b>Solemnisation with wedding reception <u>or</u> wedding reception only</b>	-	Up to a maximum of 100 attendees.  Pre-Event Testing is required for couple and <b>all</b> attendees.  Group size of up to 5 persons.

<sup>1</sup> Couples must submit the list of attendees to Kadi/Naib Kadi prior to the Solemnization date. The Kadi/Naib Kadi should be informed of any last-minute changes in the attendance.



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For solemnizations held at mosques and ROMM

- Only solemnizations can be held. Receptions are not permitted.
- Couples, witnesses, wali and guests are to arrive at the solemnization venue no earlier than 15 minutes before the appointed time.
- Temperature screening and SafeEntry for all attendees. Those who are unwell should not attend. Seniors are advised to stay home.
- Masks to be worn by all attendees. However, the following exceptions are permitted:
  - Bride and groom may wear face shields instead of face masks, and may remove mask/face shield for key moments (e.g. when handing over the mas kahwin) as long as they maintain safe distance of at least 2m from others when not wearing their face shield.
  - All other guests are to wear masks at all times in accordance with the prevailing national policy, even for photo-taking.
- Always maintain safe distancing and practise good hygiene. Minimise physical contact with persons from a different household.
- The session should be completed within 30 minutes. Attendees should leave the premises immediately after the solemnization.
- The Kadi/Naib Kadi has the right not to conduct the solemnization if those present at the solemnization are not in the attendance list submitted earlier to Kadi/Naib Kadi or if the solemnization party has not complied with these safe management measures.

For solemnizations held at external venues

- Couples are to check directly with venue operator on the safe management measures of the solemnization venue they would like to book.
- Temperature screening and SafeEntry for all attendees. Those who are unwell should not attend. Seniors are advised to stay home.
- Masks to be worn by all attendees. However, the following exceptions are permitted:
  - Bride and groom may wear face shields instead of face masks, and may remove mask/face shield for key moments (e.g. when handing over the mas kahwin) as long as they maintain safe distance of at least 2m from others when not wearing their face shield.
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**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)**

<p>1. What are the public services that ROMM will provide from 22 July 2021 onwards?</p>	<p>ROMM will provide the following public services from 22 July 2021:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) <u>Verification of Document and Statutory Declaration (VD/SD)</u><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• VD/SD appointments will be conducted via video-link for eligible couples.</li><li>• In-person VD/SD appointments are limited to 3 attendees (couple and wali) or up to 6 attendees for minor couples (include parents/legal guardian).</li></ul></li><li>b) <u>Solemnizations at ROMM</u><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Solemnizations at ROMM will be conducted via video link for eligible couples.</li><li>• In-person solemnizations held at ROMM can involve up to 10 persons (excluding the solemnizer and 2 vendors).</li></ul></li><li>c) <u>Solemnizations at designated mosques</u><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• With effect from 22 July 2021, solemnizations at designated mosques can involve up to 50 persons (excluding solemnizer, mosque staff and vendors) or the individual mosque's safe capacity, whichever is lower.</li></ul></li><li>d) <u>Other ROMM services</u><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• There will be no self-collection of Marriage Records Searches and Extract Copy of Marriage Certificates. Instead, the documents will be mailed to the requestor.</li></ul></li></ul>
<p>2. Where can I have my solemnization?</p>	<p>Couples may opt for solemnization via video link, in person at ROMM, external venues or at one of the 14 designated mosques in Singapore.</p> <p>Couples are advised to book directly with any of the 14 designated mosques for their upcoming solemnization before submitting online marriage application via ROMM website.</p> <p>Couples can also choose to have their solemnization take place in other venues, subject to those venue's safe management measures.</p>



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<p>3. How many people can I invite for my solemnization ceremony?</p>	<p>Solemnizations held at the Registry of Muslim Marriages (ROMM) are limited to 10 persons, excluding the solemnizer and 2 vendors.</p> <p>For home solemnization, the number of persons will be limited to 10 persons excluding the solemnizer and vendors.</p> <p>Solemnizations at designated mosques are limited to 50 persons (excluding solemnizer, mosque staff and vendors) or the individual mosque/venue's safe capacity, whichever is lower.</p> <p>Solemnizations at other venues are limited to (i) 50 persons (without PET) or (ii) 100 persons (with PET for all attendees). For more details, you may refer to MTI's GoBusiness website at <a href="https://covid.gobusiness.gov.sg/safemanagement/sector">https://covid.gobusiness.gov.sg/safemanagement/sector</a> (under Marriage Solemnizations and Receptions).</p>
<p>4. Are vendors (e.g. photographers, videographers, make-up artists, bridal studio) allowed to resume operations for solemnizations? Are they part of the guest limit?</p>	<p>Any vendor that you engage for your solemnization ceremony will need to seek the necessary clearance to resume operations based on the prevailing national guidelines. If in doubt, your vendor can clarify with MTI.</p> <p>Vendors who are allowed to resume operations for your solemnization can be excluded from the guest limit for your solemnization but should be kept to a minimum.</p>
<p>5. Do my guests need to go through Pre-Event Testing in order to attend my wedding solemnization?</p>	<p>For wedding solemnization involving more than 50 guests, Pre-Event Testing is required for <b>all</b> attendees. Do note that the maximum number of attendees allowed for solemnization held at external venues is 100.</p> <p>For more information on Pre-Event Testing, couples may refer to the following website - <a href="http://www.moh.gov.sg/covid-19/pet">http://www.moh.gov.sg/covid-19/pet</a></p>
<p>6. Can the bride and groom remove face masks for the solemnization ceremony? Can the bride and groom use face shields in place of face masks? Can the rest of the attendees be unmasked for photo-taking?</p>	<p>Masks to be worn by all attendees. However, the following exceptions are permitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bride and groom may wear face shields instead of face masks, and may remove mask/face shield for key moments (e.g. when handing over the mas kahwin) as long as they maintain safe distance of at least 2m from others when not wearing their face shield.</li> <li>- All other guests are to wear masks at all times in accordance with the prevailing national policy, even for photo-taking.</li> </ul>



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<p>7. Can I have a wedding reception after my solemnization?</p>	<p>With effect from 22 July 2021, wedding receptions will continue to be allowed subject to the following attendance limits:</p> <p>(A) Wedding receptions at external venues            (i) <u>Up to 100 attendees</u>            Pre-event testing required for all attendees</p> <p>(B) No wedding receptions in the ROMM building, place of residence and mosques will be allowed.</p> <p>For other questions relating to reception at weddings, couples may refer to MTI's GoBusiness website at <a href="https://covid.gobusiness.gov.sg/safemanagement/sector">https://covid.gobusiness.gov.sg/safemanagement/sector</a> (under Marriage Solemnizations and Receptions).</p>
<p>8. Can I provide takeaway food after the solemnization ceremony?</p>	<p>No food or drinks are to be supplied or consumed in the room or place during a solemnisation event. Takeaway food may be provided only after the solemnization ceremony is over, and must not be consumed at the solemnization venue. Once the solemnization ceremony is over, organisers of a solemnization should ensure that guests do not crowd around or outside the event venue to consume their takeaway food.</p>
<p>9. How can I find out more about conducting my solemnization at the designated mosques?</p>	<p>Couples are advised to book directly with any of the 14 designated mosques for their upcoming solemnization before submitting online marriage application via ROMM website. Couples may select any Kadi/Naib Kadi to conduct their solemnization.</p>
<p>10. Why am I strongly encouraged to proceed with my solemnization via video-link?</p>	<p>Solemnizations via video link is safer than those conducted in-person. Given the continued risk of community spread, couples are encouraged to consider video-link for their solemnization. The video-link can also allow more family members to safely witness the solemnization.</p> <p>The Office of the Mufti has issued an <i>Irsyad</i> to confirm that solemnizations conducted through video link are equally valid under Islamic law if the conditions for a nikah are satisfied.</p>
<p>11. Where can I get more information on solemnization via video-link?</p>	<p>You may get more information from our website <a href="http://www.romm.gov.sg">www.romm.gov.sg</a> under Information on VD/SD &amp; Solemnization via Video Link.</p>
<p>12. Since solemnizations may now take place at homes and other external venues, I would like to change my solemnization venue. How do I do that?</p>	<p>Couples who are considering a change of solemnization venue should first take into consideration that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• their request is subject to availability of the Kadi/Naib Kadi</li> <li>• ROMM and mosques will be prioritizing and offering any</li> </ul>



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	<p>vacated solemnization/Kadi/Naib Kadi slots to other couples in the current waitlist.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• their solemnization date may be delayed.</li> </ul> <p>Couples who wish to change their solemnization venue are advised to directly contact their Kadis/Naib Kadis.</p>
13. Will I be able to meet my Kadi/Naib Kadi for the face-to-face session?	Kadis and Naib Kadis will conduct online face-to-face session with their couples until further notice.
14. Will the ROMM building be open to public?	Only visitors with appointments will be allowed access to ROMM building. ROMM will still be unable to attend to walk-ins until further notice.
15. Can I use the kiosk at ROMM to apply for my marriage?	Only visitors with appointments will be allowed access to ROMM building. ROMM will not be attending to walk-ins in Phase 3.
16. I would like to apply for Letter of Permission (LOP)/polygamous marriage, can I walk-in to ROMM?	No. Only visitors with appointments will be allowed access to ROMM building. ROMM will still be unable to attend to walk-ins until further notice.
17. I urgently require an extract of my marriage certificate, can I self-collect the extract at ROMM?	No. There will be no self-collection of Marriage Records Searches and Extract Copy of Marriage Certificates at ROMM. The documents will be mailed to the requestor.
18. Where can I get more information on the latest guidelines given the heightened situation?	<p>Couples may refer to the following websites for more information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Safe Management Measures</b> for all wedding-related activities on MTI's GoBusiness website (under Marriage Solemnisations and Receptions) - <a href="https://www.gobusiness.gov.sg/images/guides/WeddingAdvisoryv2.pdf">https://www.gobusiness.gov.sg/images/guides/WeddingAdvisoryv2.pdf</a></li> <li>• <b>FAQs</b> on SMMs on MTI's GoBusiness website - <a href="https://www.gobusiness.gov.sg/covid-faqs/for-sector-specific-queries/marriage-solemnizations-and-receptions">https://www.gobusiness.gov.sg/covid-faqs/for-sector-specific-queries/marriage-solemnizations-and-receptions</a></li> <li>• Information related to <b>Pre-Event Testing</b> - <a href="http://www.moh.gov.sg/covid-19/pet">http://www.moh.gov.sg/covid-19/pet</a></li> <li>• Information on the <b>MinLaw COVID-19 (Wedding) Mediation Programme</b> - <a href="http://www.go.gov.sg/mediation-programme">www.go.gov.sg/mediation-programme</a></li> </ul>

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