

SELECTED BARS AND PUBS TO REOPEN UNDER PILOTS FOR NIGHTLIFE INDUSTRY

1. From 8 December 2020, selected bars and pubs will be allowed to reopen for two months under the small-scale pilots for the nightlife industry.
2. On 20 Oct 2020, the Multi-Ministry Taskforce announced that a few limited pilots will be permitted for higher-risk settings like bars and pubs, subject to a stringent set of safe management measures (SMMs). The Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI) and the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) announced details of the pilots for the nightlife industry on 6 Nov 2020. The pilots aim to establish the viability and robustness of the stringent SMMs (see details in Annex), and the ability of the nightlife industry to comply with them, before the Government considers allowing any further steps in the resumption of nightlife businesses.
3. Nightlife business associations were allowed to nominate suitable outlets to participate in the pilot. Interested outlets had to submit proposals to the business associations¹ on how they intend to reopen safely, including plans to implement the required SMMs. MTI and MHA received a total of six nominations for bars and pubs.
4. After a careful review of the nominations, including assessing the operators' readiness and capabilities to comply with the prescribed SMMs, the following bars and pubs have been selected for the pilot:
 - a. Bar Kiharu, 150 Orchard Plaza, #03-17
 - b. Bell Bar, 5 Koek Road, Cuppage Plaza, #03-12
 - c. Skinny's Lounge, 82 Boat Quay #01-02
5. Participating operators must comply with the stringent SMMs set out for the nightlife industry at all times. During the pilot, enforcement agencies will monitor the compliance by these outlets and their customers' with the SMMs. In the event of breaches, enforcement actions will be taken under the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Act 2020, and the

¹ Singapore Nightlife Business Association (SNBA) or Singapore River One (SRO).

participating operator may be removed from the pilot. The operator may also be liable for a fine of up to \$10,000 or imprisonment for a term of up to 6 months or to both.

6. The pilots for karaoke outlets and nightclubs are expected to commence by January 2021. More details will be shared when ready.

Annex: Safe Management Measures (SMMs) for Bars/Pubs

- Participants in the pilot are required to comply with the prevailing safe distancing rules under the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) Regulations, including the following –
 - Ensure customers adhere to the prevailing group size of not more than five individuals.
 - Ensure at least 1 metre safe distance is maintained between different groups of customers, including maintaining such distance for their tables/seats.
 - Ensure no mixing or intermingling between groups, or change of groups.
 - Ensure customers wear masks at all times unless eating and drinking. Customers should be reminded to put on their masks immediately after eating and drinking.
 - No sale, serving, or consumption of liquor within the establishment past 10.30pm.
 - Recorded music may be played but must not be louder than 60 decibels.
 - Live music, radio broadcasts and all forms of television/video and other forms of public entertainment such as dancing, darts, billiards, pool, or karaoke are not allowed.

- Measures to reduce interactions
 - Ensure that customers, visitors and workers do not provide or condone hostessing services [i.e. provide companionship to customer(s) through consumption of drinks or conversation].
 - Ensure interactions between the staff and customers are no longer than is ordinarily necessary to perform the service (i.e. the service of food and drinks or to accept payment).

- CCTV's must be deployed and activated at all times to record activities taking place at the establishment, and recordings must be stored for at least 28 days.²

- Implement TraceTogether-only SafeEntry.

- Comply with the prevailing workplace Safe Management Measures as required by the Ministry of Manpower: <https://www.mom.gov.sg/covid-19/requirements-for-safe-management-measures>

- Strongly advise customers to visit no more than one nightlife establishment per night, in view of public health considerations associated with COVID-19.

² The specifications for CCTV's are prescribed under the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) Regulations 2020.

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