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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 34 of the Public Health Act (2021 Revision), the Cabinet makes the following Regulations —

#### Citation

**1**. These Regulations may be cited as the Control of Covid-19 (No. 2) (Amendment) Regulations, 2021.

### Amendment of regulation 2 of the Control of Covid-19 (No. 2) Regulations, 2021 – definitions

- 2. The Control of Covid-19 (No. 2) Regulations, 2021, in these Regulations referred to as the "principal Regulations", are amended in regulation 2 as follows
  - (a) by deleting the definition of the words "approved vaccine course" and substituting the following definition
    - " "approved vaccine course" means —
    - (a) a vaccination programme provided by the Cayman Islands Health Services Authority;
    - (b) a vaccination programme provided by a health care facility and which is approved by the Chief Medical Officer; and



- (c) any other vaccination programme which is approved by the Chief Medical Officer for use against the virus and which is listed in a notice published by the Chief Medical Officer in the Gazette, in any other official Government website or in any other official means of communication;";
- (b) by inserting, after the definition of the word "**resident**", the following definition—
  - ""securely verified" means verified by employing technological solutions of international standards which are designed to reduce and eliminate fraud, as approved by the Medical Officer of Health;"
- (c) by deleting the definition of the words "unvaccinated person" and substituting the following definition —

#### ""unvaccinated person" means —

- (a) a person who has not at least fourteen days prior to the person's date of arrival in the Islands, completed an approved vaccine course; or
- (b) a person who has not completed an approved vaccine course;"; and
- (d) by deleting the definition of the words "vaccination certificate" and substituting the following definition
  - ""vaccination certificate" means a document which is provided as evidence that the person in respect of whom the document is issued was administered an approved vaccine course;".

### Amendment of regulation 3 – restrictions on arrival of persons to the Islands who are not vaccinated against the virus

- 3. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 3 as follows
  - (a) by repealing the regulation header and substituting the following regulation header —

### "Restrictions on arrival of unvaccinated persons to the Islands"; and

- (b) by repealing paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph
  - "(1) Subject to paragraph (5) and notwithstanding any other law, a person who is an unvaccinated person, who is ten years of age or older, and who wishes to enter the Islands shall
    - (a) provide a sample from the upper airways to be tested by a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test for the virus no more than seventy-two hours prior to the departure of the person's flight to the Islands;



- upon arrival in the Islands, provide a customs and border control officer with a medical certificate which —
  - (i) shows that the person had a negative polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test for the virus of a sample from the upper airways no more than seventy-two hours prior to the departure of the person's flight to the Islands; and
  - (ii) specifies the name and address of the approved laboratory where the test was performed; and
- (c) comply with the directions of the Medical Officer of Health with regard to any testing for the virus prior to leaving any place or facility of quarantine or isolation.".

# Amendment of regulation 4 – restrictions on arrival of persons to the Islands who were vaccinated against the virus by the Cayman Islands Health Services Authority

- **4**. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 4 as follows
  - (a) by repealing the header and substituting the following header —

### "Restrictions on arrival of persons to the Islands who were vaccinated":

- (b) by repealing paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph
  - "(1) Subject to paragraph (7) and notwithstanding any other law, a person who wishes to enter the Islands and who has, at least fourteen days prior to the person's proposed date of arrival in the Islands, completed an approved vaccine course shall
    - (a) provide a sample from the upper airways to be tested by a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test for the virus no more than seventy-two hours prior to the departure of the person's flight to the Islands;
    - (b) upon arrival in the Islands, provide a customs and border control officer with —
      - (i) a vaccination certificate; and
      - (ii) a medical certificate which
        - (A) shows that the person had a negative polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test of a sample from the upper airways no more than seventy-two hours prior to the departure of the person's flight to the Islands; and
        - (B) specifies the name and address of the approved laboratory where the test was performed; and



- (c) comply with the directions of the Medical Officer of Health with regard to any further testing for the virus prior to leaving any place or facility of quarantine or isolation."; and
- (c) in paragraph (3)
  - (i) by repealing subparagraph (a) and substituting the following subparagraph
    - "(a) remain in isolation for a period of not less than
      - (i) five days, where the vaccination certificate
        - (A) is issued by the Cayman Islands Health Services Authority; or
        - (B) can be securely verified; and
      - (ii) ten days, where the vaccination certificate cannot be securely verified,

at a private residence or such other place or facility of quarantine or isolation as specified by the Medical Officer of Health;"; and

(ii) in subparagraph (b), by deleting the words "upon the person's arrival in the Islands" and substituting the words "prior to leaving any place or facility of quarantine or isolation.".

## Repeal of regulation 5 – restrictions on arrival of persons to the Islands who are vaccinated against the virus by an entity other than the Cayman Islands Health Services Authority

**5**. The principal Regulations are amended by repealing regulation 5.

### Amendment of regulation 6 – offence of providing false medical certificate or false vaccination certificate

- **6**. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 6 as follows
  - (a) in paragraph (1), by deleting the words "regulation 3(1)(b)(i) or 5(1)(b)(ii)" and substituting the words "regulation 3(1)(b) or 4(1)(b)(ii)"; and
  - (b) in paragraph (2), by deleting the words "regulation 4(1)(a) or 5(1)(b)(i)" and substituting the words "regulation 4(1)(b)(i)".

### Amendment of regulation 7 – power to exempt persons from compliance with regulations 3, 4 and 5

- 7. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 7 as follows
  - (a) in the regulation header, by deleting the words "regulations 3, 4 and 5" and substituting the words "regulations 3 and 4";
  - (b) in paragraph (1), by deleting the words "regulations 3, 4 and 5" and substituting the words "regulations 3 and 4"; and

(c) in paragraph (3), by deleting the words "regulation 3, 4 or 5" and substituting the words "regulation 3 or 4".

### Repeal of regulation 10 and substitution – responsibility for costs associated with isolation or quarantine

**8**. The principal Regulations are amended by repealing regulation 10 and substituting the following regulation —

#### "Payment for place or facility of quarantine or isolation

- **10.** (1) Subject to paragraph (2), a person who is required to stay in a place or facility of quarantine or isolation shall be liable to pay for any costs associated with the person's accommodation in such a place or facility.
  - (2) The following persons who provide evidence that they reside in the Islands and who are required to stay in a place or facility of quarantine or isolation which is operated by Government are not required to pay the costs of accommodation at that place or facility —
    - a person who provides evidence that he or she is a returning student;
    - a person who provides evidence that he or she travelled for the purposes of government business;
    - a person who provides evidence that he or she travelled to represent the Islands in a sporting event as part of a national team;
    - (d) a person who provides a medical certificate signed by a medical practitioner that he or she travelled overseas in order to obtain medical services;
    - (e) a person who is a parent, guardian or caregiver who provides evidence that he or she travelled overseas for the purposes of taking his or her child, or a child in his or her care to
      - (i) an overseas educational institution; or
      - (ii) represent the Islands in a sporting event as part of a national team; and
    - (f) a person who provides evidence that he or she had responsibility to take a child or an adult overseas to obtain medical services.
  - (3) For the purposes of this Regulation
    - ""child" means —
    - (a) a person under the age of eighteen; and



(b) a person between the age of eighteen and twenty-four years who is receiving instruction at an educational establishment or undergoing training for a trade, profession or vocation, whether or not while in gainful employment; and

"parent" includes a step-parent and a foster parent.".

#### **Commencement and expiration**

- **9**. (1) Regulations 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 come into force on 23rd June, 2021.
  - (2) Regulation 8 comes into force on 1st July, 2021.
  - (3) These amending Regulations shall expire on the same date as the principal Regulations.

Made in Cabinet the 22nd day of June, 2021.

Kim Bullings Clerk of the Cabinet

