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Dear Sport & Fitness Operators

**A SAFE AND GRADUAL RESUMPTION OF SPORT & FITNESS ACTIVITIES WITH
MANDATORY FAST & EASY TESTING (updated 15 July 2021)**

1. As part of the national enhanced measures for workers in higher-risk mask-off settings and to further reduce the risk of transmission in these settings, the Multi-Ministry Taskforce has introduced the Fast and Easy Testing (FET) regime on 18 June 2021. The FET has been progressively rolled out since 21 June 2021 and will be **made mandatory from 15 July 2021** for all coaches, instructors and staff, who come into contact with unmasked persons in the course of their work. This segment of the workforce is required to be on a regular FET regime using tests such as the antigen rapid test (ART), regardless of their vaccination status.
2. FET will be required for the following workforce¹:
 - a. Gym, fitness, yoga, dance, martial arts studios, sport clubs and academies, sport facilities whose coaches / trainers / instructors where clients are engaged in unmasked activities.
 - b. Sport coaches / instructors in sports such as, but not limited to athletics, badminton, basketball, dance, football, swimming, martial art, . where trainees are unmasked.
3. This FET regime is being imposed under the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) Regulations. Failure to comply with the requirements set out herein may result in prosecution and/or other enforcement action, including suspension/closure of operations².
4. **All Sport & Fitness businesses must ensure that their employees under the mentioned settings undergo FET every 14 days. This includes all full time and part time employees, as well as third-party contracted employees (e.g. cleaners) who work at the premises. Self-employed persons in the sport and exercise sector are responsible for undergoing FET every 14 days.**
5. **Sport & Fitness businesses** are encouraged to conduct Employer-Supervised Self-Swab (ESSS), where employees will swab themselves under the supervision of a trained staff ('supervisor'). Supervision can be done either on-site at the workplace or virtually using tools such as video conferencing. To conduct ESSS, establishments will need to undergo training provided by the Government to supervise employees' self-swabs.
6. For ESSS, ART kits will be provided. The costs for the kits and training for employees will be borne by the Government for 3 months, until 30 September 2021.
7. **Self-employed persons (SEPs) and small businesses** which may not be able to organise the supervised self-swabs on their own, are to [register](#) to secure an appointment at Quick Test Centres³ (QTCs) at Bishan, Jurong West and Pasir Ris ActiveSG Sport Centres. Similarly, SEPs / staff under settings 2(a)(b) will have to undergo FET every 14 days.

¹ Does not include volunteers and those who are not paid/compensated for their services.

² To comply with the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) Regulations and implement Safe Management Measures (SMMs), as set out on the [COVID Gobusiness website](#). They are also required to comply with the [SMMs](#) set out by Sport Singapore.

8. From now till 18 July 2021, QTCs will be operational from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. From 19 July onwards, the QTCs will operate from Mondays to Saturdays (including public holidays) at the following hours:
 - Mondays to Fridays: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 - Saturdays: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Applicants will be assigned a time slot based on a first-come-first-serve basis. A confirmation SMS with your appointment details will be sent 2 to 4 days prior to your test date. For subsequent tests, please register via this [link](#). Please refer to the Frequently Asked Questions for information on registration and scheduling. You may email sport_coaching@sport.gov.sg if you have any enquiries related to FET Testing at the QTCs.

INFORMATION ON ESSS FOR SPORT & FITNESS BUSINESSES

9. **Supervisory Training Under the ESSS** Enterprises conducting ESSS shall ensure that their Supervisors have attended the 4-hour virtual Supervisory Training in ART Self-Swab that is conducted by the Ministry of Health's ("MOH") appointed training provider, HMI Institute of Health Sciences Pte. Ltd. ("HMI") before they perform their supervisory role. If a Supervisor is above 50-years-old, Enterprises must ensure that he or she is fully vaccinated against COVID-19 (i.e. they received two doses of the COVID-19 vaccination under Singapore's national vaccination programme and 14 days have passed from the time of the second dose³) before they can perform any supervisory role.
10. Businesses conducting ESSS are advised to nominate 2 employees per outlet to attend a 4-hour virtual Supervisory Training in ART Self-Swab conducted by the Ministry of Health's (MOH) appointed vendor, HMI Institute.
11. The training will equip employees with the knowledge needed to supervise the conduct of ART. Employees who complete the 4-hour course can conduct ART Supervision Duties. A certificate of attendance will be issued. MOH/HPB has also issued a playbook to guide sectors on the conduct of supervised self-swabs.
12. Sport & Fitness businesses are to book their training slot directly with HMI Institute at <https://hmi-ihs.com/supervisory-training-in-art-self-swab/>
13. Timings for the training are from a) 8am-12pm, b) 2pm-6pm and c) 6pm-10pm. These will be available on a first-come-first-served basis.
14. Upon successful sign-up, a web link will be sent for employees to attend the virtual training session via Zoom.
15. Please visit HMI Institute's website at <https://hmi-ihs.com> (refer to COVID-19 Training) for latest details on the ESSS training details.

³ Enterprises can consider asking Supervisors to verify their vaccination status via TraceTogether.

Registering for Self-Collection of Kits and Swab Registration System (SRS) Account

16. To facilitate the collection of test kits for the first month and setup of SRS accounts, Sport & Fitness businesses should submit full details via this [link](#) . Submissions made will be notified for collection after 7 to 9 days.
 - Businesses with multiple outlets are encouraged to submit a form for each outlet.
 - The Point-of-Contact (POC) indicated in the form must be the supervisor or employee who will be responsible for both self-collection of the test kits, and the uploading of FET results to the SRS account.
 - Information on the replenishment process will be provided at <https://go.gov.sg/sport-and-fitness-activities-with-mandatory-fast-and-easy-testing> by mid-July. The kits, funded by the Government, will be provided on a monthly basis, for 3 months (till 30 Sep 2021).

Self-Collection of Kits

17. For the self-collection of test kits, details to be provided via the form include:
 - a. Name of POC (this must be the same person that will upload the FET results to the SRS account)
 - b. Business Name, UEN & Address
 - c. Postal Code
 - d. POC Email (to receive confirmation email, if any)
 - e. POC Mobile Number (to receive confirmation SMS, if any)
 - f. Number of Employees (including all full-time, part time and third-party contracted employees)
18. Late submissions will result in delayed delivery or self-collection. After the submission of details, a confirmation email from a third-party vendor will be sent to your company POC with the collection location and date within a week. An SMS will subsequently be sent when the kits are ready for collection, and the kits must be collected within 3 days upon receipt of the SMS. Self-collection of test kits had started from 28 June 2021.

Recording of Test Results on Swab Registration System (SRS)

19. ART Test Kits must be used with prudence and companies need to ensure that one employee only use one test kit for one cycle of RRT, unless the test result is AG invalid.
20. Sport & Fitness businesses are to upload the ART results of their employees into SRS. Sport Singapore will assist to create SRS accounts for your company using the same information provided in the sign-up link in paragraph 14. The POCs nominated will receive an email notification after the accounts have been set up.
21. To track businesses' compliance to the mandatory FET, employers are required to upload the results of the employees' swab tests to the SRS on the same day the tests are taken at <https://swab.hpb.gov.sg/ext/index.aspx>. More details on the uploading of results to the SRS is provided at the related links for ESSS.

Management of Antigen Positive (AG+) or Double Invalid Result Cases

22. Employers must send all asymptomatic⁴ AG+ or Double Invalid result cases to a Swab and Send Home, Public Health Preparedness Clinic (SASH PHPC) for a government-funded confirmatory Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test⁵. The employer must issue a referral note (refer to [Annex A](#)) and arrange for private transport (e.g. car or taxi with windows wound down and air conditioning switched off) to the SASH PHPC for AG+ cases. The AG+ cases must present their NRIC and the referral note at the clinic for verification.
23. After the PCR test is conducted, the employee must self-isolate at home until the PCR results return. If the PCR result is negative, the employee can return to work. However, if the PCR result is positive, Public Health Actions (e.g. conveyance to the hospital, contact tracing etc) will commence. More details on the handling of AG+ and Double Invalid result cases are included in [Annex A](#).

Support from Sport & Fitness Sector

24. The fight against COVID-19 requires the collective effort of everyone in the community. We seek the support and understanding of all Sport & Fitness businesses during this period. The FET regime complements existing SMMs to ensure a safe and smooth re-opening of the sport & fitness sector. We will continue to review and adjust the measures in line with the national posture for the health and well-being of everyone.
25. For FET related enquiries, please email to SportandFitness@sport.gov.sg.

⁴ If the employees are symptomatic, and is AG+, then the employer should contact the Case Management Task Group (6435-4060) to arrange for conveyance of the individual to a Swab Isolation Facility for isolation and a confirmatory PCR test.

⁵ The list of SASH PHPCs can be found at <http://phpc.gov.sg>

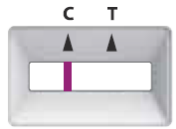
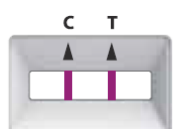
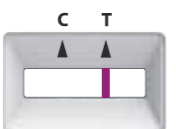
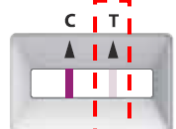

ANNEX A

FET Test Results and the Management of Workers after ESSS

A. FET Test Results

1. Workers will be required to undergo ART to satisfy the FET Requirement. ART test kits will return one of three possible test results:
 - (1) negative or “**AG-**”;
 - (2) positive or “**AG+**”; or
 - (3) invalid or “**AG Invalid**”.
2. Workers that obtain an “**AG Invalid**” test result are required to immediately undergo a follow-up ART. Workers that obtain a second “**AG Invalid**” test result from this follow-up ART will be regarded as having a “**Double Invalid**” test result.
3. If a Worker undergoes ART at a QTC, they may be issued with a test result slip or sent an SMS stating the test result that they have obtained. Alternatively, the test results of these Workers can also be found on their TraceTogether or HealthHub phone applications.
4. If a Worker undergoes ART as part of ESSS, Image 1 below illustrates how the different test results will be shown on the SD Bio Sensor ART test kit (which will be the ART test kit distributed to Enterprises). Please note that the lines on the test kit cassette will appear in 15 – 30 minutes (“**Checking Window**”) after the specimen buffer has been added to the test well. Enterprises are required to only record the test results that are shown on the test kit cassette **during** the Checking Window.

Image 1: Test results on SD Bio Sensor

Negative Test Result ('AG-')	Positive Test Result ('AG+')	Invalid Test Result ('AG Invalid')
 <p><u>Bold</u> marking at 'C' and <u>No</u> marking at 'T'</p>	 <p><u>Bold</u> marking at 'C' and <u>Bold</u> marking at 'T'</p>	 <p><u>No</u> marking at 'C' and <u>Bold</u> marking at 'T'</p>
	 <p><u>Bold</u> marking at 'C' and <u>Faint</u> marking at 'T'</p>	 <p><u>No</u> marking at 'C' and <u>No</u> marking at 'T'</p>

5. If a Worker undergoes ART as part of ESSS and uses an ART kit other than the SD Bio Sensor ART test kit, Enterprises are to refer to the manufacturer's instructions on how to interpret the test results obtained by their Workers.

B. Management of Workers after ESSS

6. If a Worker obtains an "AG+" or "Double Invalid" test result from ESSS **AND** shows signs of acute respiratory infection ("**ARI**") (e.g. cough, sore throat, runny nose, loss of sense of smell), Enterprises are required to:
 - (1) contact the Ministry of Health's Case Management Task Group at 6435-4060⁶ to arrange for conveyance of that Worker to a Swab Isolation Facility (SIF) for further isolation and confirmatory PCR tests; and
 - (2) notify that Worker that he will be conveyed to a Swab Isolation Facility for the purposes stated in (1) above and to self-isolate in the interim.
7. If a Worker obtains an "AG+" or "Double Invalid" test result from ESSS **AND** does not show signs of ARI, Enterprises are required to:
 - (1) contact and make an appointment for that Worker to visit a doctor for a confirmatory PCR test at a Swab and Send Home Public Health Preparedness Clinic ("**SASH PHPC**")⁷; and
 - (2) fill in the referral note set out in **Appendix I** ("**Referral Note**") in accordance with the requirements set out in Image 2 below and hand a copy of the Referral Note to that Worker; and

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⁶ Please note that this is NOT a general enquiry hotline and is to be used ONLY for its intended purpose to activate conveyance for an AG+ or double invalid individual with ARI symptoms,

⁷ The list of SASH PHPCs can be found at <http://phpc.gov.sg>

Image 2: Information to be stated by Enterprises on Referral Note

MINISTRY OF HEALTH
SINGAPORE

REFERRAL FOR CONFIRMATORY PCR TEST

Full Name: ABCDEF
(as per NRIC/FIN/ Passport)

NRIC/FIN/Passport Number: S1234567A

Date & Time of Test: 22/10/2020, 16:45

Type of COVID-19 Test: Antigen Rapid Test

Brand of COVID-19 Test: BD Veritor/ SD Biosensor/ Standard Q/ Panbio

COVID-19 Test Result: ANTIGEN POSITIVE / INVALID⁸

To whom it may concern,

The abovementioned is required to obtain a Government-funded COVID-19 polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test⁸ to confirm if he/she is infected with COVID-19.

2. For further details, please contact:

i. [Name of employer/contractor (and branch if applicable), email, phone number]; and/or

ii. [Name of Antigen Rapid Test Provider (and branch if applicable), email, phone number]

Stamp/Signature/Date

Name and Designation of Swab Supervisor/Trained Swabber:

Name of Antigen Rapid Test ("ART") Provider/Worksite (including branch if applicable):

Name of Employer/Contractor (including branch if applicable):

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1. An "ART Invalid" test result means that the employee has been tested false negative in both instances. Please refer to...

- Pls indicate "name of employer and contact details" and "name of ART provider and contact details" (if applicable)
- To be signed off by employer
- Indicate "Name of trained supervisor"
- Pls indicate name of worksite (e.g. JEM Shopping Mall, XXX Shipyard,
- Pls indicate company name

- (3) arrange for that Worker to be conveyed to the SASH PHPC that he or she will be taking his confirmatory PCR test at in accordance with **Appendix II**; and
- (4) notify that Worker that he is required to consult with a doctor at a SASH PHPC for a confirmatory PCR test, to bring his NRIC, Employment Pass, S Pass or Work Permits (whichever is relevant) for verification at that SASH PHPC, and to self-isolate in the interim; and
- (5) notify that Worker that he or she has to self-isolate at home until the PCR test result has returned; and
- (6) ensure that Worker has gone for his or her confirmatory PCR test by day 3⁸.

If that Worker has not gone for his or her confirmatory PCR test by day 3, Enterprises are required to inform MOH CMTG via FormSG⁹ on day 3.

⁸ The day of self-test is Day 1. If the worker does the self-test on 1 July, he has to go for his confirmatory PCR test by day 3 i.e. 3 July.

⁹ <https://go.gov.sg/artpositivenoncompliance>

Appendix I



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¹ An 'ART-invalid' test result means that the sample(s) has been tested twice and in both instances, there was no conclusive finding as to whether the individual is tested positive or negative. An individual who tests ART-invalid is subject to the same requirements as the individual who tests ART-positive.

Appendix II

Conveyance of Workers to SASH PHPC for Confirmatory PCR Test

1. Enterprises must arrange for private transport (e.g. car or taxi with windows wound down and air conditioning switched off) for the Worker to be sent to a SASH PHPC. The conveyed Worker should be reminded to wear a surgical mask and sit alone in the back seat (on the other side from driver).
2. Enterprises may wish to consider the following private transport service providers that are available for booking. The transport cost is to be borne by Enterprises.

S/N	Service Provider	Contact Number / Mobile Application
1	ComfortDelGro Taxi (Comfort & CityCab taxis)	6333 1133 or via ComfortDelGro app
2	Trans-cab	6213 0997
3	SMRT	6477 5971
4	Prime	6776 7553
5	Premier	6681 9462
6	GrabSHN, Go-Jek, Ryde, MVL(TADA)	Via respective providers' app

3. When arranging for private transport to convey Workers to SASH PHPCs, the Enterprise must inform the private transport hotline operator that the said worker is going to a SASH PHPC for his or her confirmatory PCR test. For booking through mobile apps, Enterprises must key in "SHN" in the chat / note / comment box or check the SHN checkbox (if provided within the app) to notify the private transport provider of the same.