



## **GUIDELINE FOR DOMESTIC RUNNERS DURING THE COVID-19 SITUATION**

### **GENERAL**

Domestic runners are those who provide the following services, either on a full-time or part-time basis, within Brunei Darussalam:

- a. Individuals who provide delivery services to the public, home-based businesses and registered businesses such as restaurants and other businesses.
- b. Individuals who are employees of a registered runner delivery services business.
- c. Employees who carry out the delivery services for a registered business e.g. restaurant or supermarket or other businesses.

### **PURPOSE**

This document provides guidance for domestic runners on their operational protocols during COVID-19. This also provides guidance for those who have developed symptoms of COVID-19 or have been in contact with those who are infected with COVID-19 while carrying out delivery services.

### **SITUATION SUMMARY**

Domestic runners must adhere to instructions and guidance issued by the Ministry of Health and other relevant authorities, including those outlined in this guideline. In the event of non-compliance, domestic runners will be guilty of an offence and liable for a conviction to penalties under the Infectious Diseases Act, Cap 204.

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1. Domestic runners are required to register through the MTIC website at <http://www.mtic.gov.bn/pendaftaran> by providing complete and up-to-date information including full name, smart card identity number, home address, email address, mobile phone number, vehicle registration number, Bru-HIMS number, COVID-19 vaccination information (dates of first and second doses) and company/business name (if relevant). There is no charge for registration.
  - a. E-Notification will be sent to the email provided within three (3) working days.
  - b. Domestic runners may register as many vehicles as are used to perform their delivery services as long as the vehicles have valid registration (including insurance, vehicle licence and a valid driving licence).
  - c. Registered domestic runners will be required to update their information every six (6) months, or earlier if there are any changes to the initial information registered. This includes vehicles that will be used to provide delivery services.
2. Registered domestic runners can show the e-Notification whenever required to confirm that they are registered with MTIC and show proof of transaction such as employer or

customer's instructions or booking for delivery services contained in electronic communications e.g. Whatsapp, email.

3. Registered domestic runners are limited to the delivery of goods within Brunei Darussalam only and are not allowed to leave the country.
4. Registered domestic runners must ensure their mobile devices are equipped with the BruHealth Application and display green or yellow codes only before carrying out delivery services.
5. Registered domestic runners must update their health status on the BruHealth Self-Assessment Application while carrying out their delivery services and are encouraged to undergo regular testing for COVID-19.
6. Registered domestic runners are also required to comply with the following while carrying out delivery services:
  - a. To wear face masks.
  - b. Not to share any items including stationery.
  - b. Use technology to communicate with clients.
  - c. Limit the amount of face-to-face contact during deliveries or practice contactless delivery.
  - d. Practice social distancing i.e. maintain a distance of at least 2 metres (6 feet) or more between people.
  - e. Regularly wash their hands or use alcohol-based hand sanitiser.
  - f. Undergo a COVID-19 (Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR SARS-CoV-2) swab test) at the Bridex Drive-Through Swab Center at least once a week to ensure they are negative for COVID-19.
  - g. Update the date of the last COVID-19 (Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR SARS-CoV-2) swab test) to the MTIC through <http://www.mtic.gov.bn/pendaftaran>
7. Registered domestic runners are advised to:
  - a. Complete their COVID-19 vaccinations before carrying out delivery services (at least 2 weeks following their second dose of COVID-19 vaccine).
  - b. Remain in their vehicle while waiting for items / goods to be loaded.
  - c. Wait in a separate designated area if one is available to avoid close contact with others.
  - d. Always carry the e-Notification of registration issued by MTIC when carrying out delivery services.
8. Registered domestic runners who develop symptoms of COVID-19 are required to discontinue their services, obtain COVID-19 swab test at designated swab centres the soonest and undergo quarantine at home while waiting for results. Domestic runners may only resume their services after they have been confirmed negative and after completing any Quarantine Order.
9. Registered domestic runners who are exposed to a confirmed case of COVID-19 are required to discontinue their services, quarantine at home and comply with further instructions from the Ministry of Health.

10. Registered domestic runners who tested positive for COVID-19 will undergo isolation in a government designated isolation centre. The contact tracing team from the Ministry of Health will contact the individual and their workplace focal for identification of close contacts including family and workplace contacts.

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