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PUBLIC HEALTH ORDINANCE, 1939

***PUBLIC HEALTH (PREVENTION OF FORMIDABLE DISEASES)
(CORONAVIRUS NO. 2)(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2022***

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 49 of the Public Health Ordinance, 1939, the Governor in Council makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Public Health (Prevention of Formidable Diseases) (Coronavirus No. 2)(Amendment) Regulations, 2022, and come into force on 29 April 2022 and apply in respect of any period of isolation that commences on or after that date.

(2) In these Regulations, “the principal Regulations” means the Public Health (Prevention of Formidable Diseases) (Coronavirus No. 2) Regulations, 2020.

Amendment of regulation 2 – Interpretation

2. Regulation 2 of the principal Regulations is amended—

(a) by inserting the following definition after the definition of “isolation”:

“**prescribed period for isolation**” means—

(a) seven days, in the case of a vaccinated person;

(b) 10 days, in the case of an unvaccinated person,

but where two or more persons isolate together in the same location and any such person is an unvaccinated person, the period for isolation for all persons so isolating together shall be 10 days;

(b) by adding the following definitions after the definition of “responsible person”:

“**unvaccinated person**” means a person who is not a vaccinated person;

“**vaccinated person**” means a person who is fully compliant with the requirements for vaccination against coronavirus as determined by the Director of Health.”.

Amendment of regulation 4 - Isolation upon entry

- 3.** Regulation 4 of the principal Regulations is amended—
- (a) by deleting the words “a period of 10 days” in sub-regulations (1) and (2) and substituting “the prescribed period for isolation”;
 - (b) by deleting the words “the period of 10 days” in sub-regulation (2A) and substituting “the prescribed period for isolation”;
 - (b) by revoking sub-regulation (5A) and substituting the following:
“(5A) The period of isolation under this regulation ends on the last day of the prescribed period for isolation as soon as the negative test result required under regulation 6(3) is confirmed and submitted to the person in writing.”.

Amendment of regulation 6 – Isolation: additional provisions

- 4.** Regulation 6 of the principal Regulations is amended—
- (a) by deleting the expression “10 days” in sub-regulation (2) and substituting “the prescribed period for isolation”;
 - (b) by revoking sub-regulation (3) and substituting the following:
“(3) Unless the Director of Health directs otherwise, the requirement for isolation under regulation 4 or 5 will be deemed not to have been completed by a person unless that person, by the last day of the period of isolation or extended period approved under sub-regulation (2), has tested negative in accordance with the requirements set by the Director of Health.”.

Amendment of regulation 7 - Isolation: review and appeal

- 5.** Regulation 7 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the expression “seven days” in sub-regulation (1) and substituting “four days”.

Amendment of regulation 10 – Detention

- 6.** Regulation 10 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “a maximum of 10 days” in sub-regulation (8) and substituting “a period not exceeding the prescribed period for isolation.”.

Made by the Governor in Council this 29th day of April 2022.

Philip Rushbrook
Governor

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These regulations amend the Public Health (Prevention of Formidable Diseases) (Coronavirus No. 2) Regulations, 2020, to reduce the mandatory period for isolation under the Regulations from 10 days to 7 days in the case of vaccinated persons.