

Extract from gazette notice on the air change / air purifier requirement in dine-in restaurants under Cap. 599F

- (e) in respect of seating area of catering premises:—
- (i) if the air change per hour (fresh air) (*ACH*) is not 6 or above, must on or before 30 April 2021 install air purifiers of any of the following types that meet the specified specifications set out in the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (*FEHD*) webpage in the seating area according to the on-the-ground situation (including the site condition) and the manufacturer manual:—
    1. High-Efficiency Particulate Arrestance Filter (HEPA) cum Ultraviolet-C (UV-C) device; or
    2. High-Efficiency Particulate Arrestance Filter (HEPA) device; or
    3. Ultraviolet-C (UV-C) device;
  - (ii) except food business which has submitted a certificate in respect of *ACH* and/or air purifiers through the *FEHD*'s webpage on "Voluntary Declaration Scheme on Air Changes in Licensed Catering Premises", must register on *FEHD*'s designated webpage on or before 30 April 2021 and upload onto a designated position of the *FEHD* webpage a certificate in specified form filled in and signed by a registered specialist contractor (ventilation works category) providing the following information:—
    1. the *ACH* and whether the *ACH* is 6 or above  
 (the *ACH* must be calculated according to the instructions set out in the *FEHD* webpage on the basis of the following information on its food business licence (or on the basis of site condition, if without a food business licence):—
      - (1) area of seating area;
      - (2) height of seating area measured from floor to ceiling (may opt for actual storey height or assumed storey height at 3 metres); and
      - (3) capacity of outside fresh air supplied to the seating area by the ventilation system);
    2. if the *ACH* is not 6 or above, whether having installed air purifiers referred to in item (i) above and provide the following information about the air purifiers:—
      - (1) type;
      - (2) brand;
      - (3) model;
      - (4) quantity; and
      - (5) location;
  - (iii) if unable to complete the registration referred to in item (ii) above on or before 30 April 2021, must submit an application to the *FEHD* for an extension of time for registration. If approved, must complete the registration referred to in item (ii) above within the time limit as specified by the *FEHD*;
  - (iv) within 2 days after the registration has been confirmed by the *FEHD*, must download a notice from a designated position of the *FEHD* webpage, and display the notice with the following specifications round-the-clock at the entrance of the catering premises:—
    1. the size of the notice must not be less than 297 x 420 mm (A3 size);
    2. the letters in the notice must be black in colour, the font type must be Times New Roman, and the font size must not be less than 32; and
    3. the content of the notice must be displayed in a way that is clearly legible and in a location unobstructed, with the following information included:—
      - (1) licence number (if any);
      - (2) name and address of the business; and
      - (3) air change per hour (fresh air) and/or air purifier(s) installed (as applicable); and
  - (v) after the air purifiers have been installed at the premises, must properly switch on, operate, maintain and repair the air purifiers in accordance with the manufacturer manual when the premises is opened for business;