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## Assalamualaikum Wr Wb

Dear IECP Proprietors and Managers,

- 2 In light of the ongoing COVID-19 situation, Muis strongly encourages that all tuition and enrichment classes be conducted online, and telecommuting be the default arrangement.
- 3 For IECPs that choose to continue in-person instruction, the Multi-Ministry Task Force (MTF) announced on 20 July 2021 that Safe Management Measures will be tightened to the Phase Two (Heightened Alert) national stance from 22 July 2021 through 18 August 2021 (both dates inclusive).
- 4 Muis recommends that IECPs take reference from MOE's "Safe Management Measures for Private Tuition and Enrichment in Phase (Heightened Alert)<sup>1</sup>" published on 21 July 2021. The key changes are as follows:
  - IECPs (Madrasah, Mosque, Centre-based, Home-based) are **strongly encouraged** to conduct classes online, and that telecommuting be the default arrangement.

## Home-based:

- Home-based in-person lessons are subject to the 2 unique household visitors per day and the prevailing national group size limit of 2 persons.
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- Home ventilation should be improved by opening doors and windows. Fans can be used to promote air circulation when needed.

## Centre-based:

- No single room within a centre should hold more than 50 persons, including tutors/instructors.
- As a default, centres must ensure that students maintain safe distancing of at least 1m at all times, with strictly no physical interaction between students

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.moe.gov.sg/news/press-releases/20210610-safe-management-measures-for-private-tuition-and-enrichment-in-phase-2-heightened-alert

https://www.moe.gov.sg/news/press-releases/20210720-arrangements-for-schools-and-institutes-of-higher-learning-under-phase-2-heightened-alert-from-22-july-2021





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- o If it is not possible to apply 1m safe distancing between students and some interaction is unavoidable, centres may instead organise students into groups of no more than 2 students, with strictly no physical interaction or intermingling between different groups.
- We urge all IECP to remind their staff and students to continue practising good personal hygiene and adhere to all necessary SMMs. These include wearing masks, washing hands frequently, wiping down equipment and tables after each use, seeing a doctor immediately if they feel unwell and returning to school or campus only when fully recovered.

Thank you and wassalam.

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