

22nd September 2021

Dear Members,

[COVID-19] TIME-LIMITED ROSTERED ROUTINE TESTING (RRT) + RENTAL WAIVER FRAMEWORK

A) TIME-LIMITED ROSTERED ROUTINE TESTING (RRT)

MTF announced that there will be a time-limited offer to companies to carry out weekly testing of staff over a two-month period. 8 test kits will be provided per onsite employee. **Sign-up is voluntary**. Companies which receive the kits are <u>required</u> to conduct weekly testing for onsite staff.

These tests can be self-administered at home or at work premises. But employers must put in place a process to ensure that the tests are done properly and report the results to the government. Compliance audits will also be done.

Do note that this is not eligible for employees currently under the mandatory Fast And Easy Testing (such as retail mall workers, F&B and personal care outlet workers) and mandatory PCR testing.

More information (including application and submission forms) can be found in https://www.gobusiness.gov.sg/timelimitedrrt/

B) RENTAL WAIVER FRAMEWORK

MinLaw's Rental Waiver Framework complements the suite of support measures aimed to cushion the economic impact of the Phase 2 (Heightened Alert) on workers and businesses.

Under the Framework, landlords are required to provide a rental waiver of 2 weeks of gross rent to eligible SME and NPO tenant-occupiers of qualifying commercial properties. Combined with Rental Support Scheme (RSS)'s cash payout of 1 month to qualifying tenants in privately owned commercial properties, tenants will benefit from a total of about <u>1.5</u> months of rental support.

Please refer to the table below for a better understanding of the Framework:

	1st RSS	2 nd RSS	Rental waiver
	(from IRAS)	(from IRAS)	(from Landlord)*
Qualifying rent	14 May 2021 to	22 July 2021 to 18	22 July 2021 to 18
period	29 May 2021	August 2021	August 2021
Quantum of Cash	0.5 mth	0.5 mth	2 weeks
payout			
Disbursement	From 6 August	From 22 September	Subject to approval
Timeline	2021	2021	

*Only when you qualify for the 2nd RSS payout administered by IRAS, then will you receive the Notice of Rental Waiver in October 2021. Receipt of the Notice does not automatically make the recipient tenant eligible for rental waiver. The tenant still has to meet all the criteria to qualify for the waiver.

Please refer to the <u>infographics</u> (in English) for information on rental waiver claims. Details on the Rental Waiver Framework may be found in https://go.gov.sg/rwf2021

For further enquiries, please contact MinLaw here.

Thank you for your attention.

Regards,

Singapore Jewellers Association



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致: 全体会员

轮值定期检测(RRT)+租金豁免框架

一、轮值定期检测

抗疫跨部门工作小组宣布为公司员工实行为期两个月每周轮值冠毒定期检测。有关部门将为每间公司工作地点提供8个检测盒给每一位员工。测试全属自愿。收到检测盒的公司"必需"每周为工作场所的员工进行测试。

此项检测可以在家中或在工作场所自我进行。但雇主必须制定一个程序以确保测试是否正确完成并将结果向政府呈报,同时进行合规性审计。

请注意,此项检测不把目前接受强制性快速简便检测的员工(如:零售商场、餐饮业和个人护理店的工作人员)及接受聚合酶链式反应(PCR)检测者列在其中。

您可以浏览 <u>https://www.gobusiness.gov.sg/timelimitedrrt/</u>了解更多信息(包括申请和提呈表格)。

二、租金豁免框架

律政部推出的租金豁免框架旨在协助因高警戒解封第二阶段期间受到收紧安全管理措施影响的中小企业和非营利机构的一系列支援措施。

根据租金豁免框架,业主必须向符合条件的中小企业和非营利机构的租户提供2周总租金的租金豁免。加上租金援助计划(RSS)提供1个月的现金支付,符合条件的租户将获得总计约1.5个月的租金支援。

请参阅以下列表更好地了解租金援助计划:

	第一笔租金援助计划(RSS) (税务局提供)	第二笔租金援助计划(RSS) (税务局提供)	租金豁免 (Rental Waiver) (业主提供)*
符合条件的租金援	2021年5月14日	2021年7月22日	2021年7月22日至
助时间段	至 2021年5月29	至	2021年8月18日
	日	2021年8月18	
		日	
现金支付的数额	半个月	半个月	2周
付款日期	2021年8月6日开	2021年9月22日	受制于批准与否
	始	开始	

*只限有资格获得税务局提供的租金援助计划(RSS)第二笔付款的合格租户,才会在2021年10月收到租金豁免通知书。收到通知书后也不会自动让有资格的租户获得租金豁免(Rental Waiver)。租户必须符合租金豁免框架所有"资格条件"才享有租金豁免。

有关租金豁免框架的信息,请参阅此<u>文件</u>(中文)。 有关租金豁免框架的详细信息,请参阅 https://go.gov.sg/rwf2021。

如需进一步查询,请联络律政部 here。

谢谢您的关注!

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