

OFDATED AS OF 19 MAY 2020

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS FOR CIRCULAR TO INFORM FIRMS ON MOVEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION WORKERS AFTER SHN

Q1: Can my foreign construction employees (who are not staying in dormitories) return to work after their Stay Home Notice (SHN) end on 18 May 2020?

A1: Between 19 May and 1 June, 2359h, before commencing any essential activities, you must ensure that your company has been granted general or time-limited exemption from MTI's suspension of Business Activities, and only the employees submitted to MTI perform those essential activities (both local and foreign workforce). You may apply to MTI at https://covid.gobusiness.gov.sg. For companies which have been approved by MTI for essential works, your foreign employees can return to work after their SHN ends on 18 May 2020. There is no need to seek approval from BCA.

Q2: Do I still need to submit daily declarations to BCA after SHN for my foreign construction employees ends on 18 May 2020?

A2: From 19 May 2020, there is no need to submit daily declarations to BCA.

Q3: In my SHN exemption from BCA, I have indicated works till 1 June 2020. Do I still have to apply to MTI?

A3: Yes. Between 19 May and 1 June, 2359h, before commencing any essential activities, you must ensure that your company has been granted general or time-limited exemption from MTI's suspension of Business Activities, and only the employees submitted to MTI perform those essential activities (both local and foreign workforce). You may apply to MTI at https://covid.gobusiness.gov.sg.

Q4: Can I deploy my foreign construction employees staying in dormitories to work?

A4: as announced by the Multi-Ministry Taskforce, with effect from 21 April, 2359hrs, to 1 June, 2359h, daily movement of workers in and out of all dormitories (i.e. Purpose Built Dormitories, Factory Converted Dormitories, Construction Temporary Quarters and Temporary Occupation Licence quarters) will still not be allowed.

Q5: I am an essential firm approved by MTI to support a government agencies' project during the Circuit Breaker period. How can I deploy my foreign construction employees staying in dormitories to work?

A5: If essential firms (approved by MTI to continue operations to 1 June) need to mobilise workers from the affected accommodation types (i.e. Purpose Built Dormitories, Factory Converted Dormitories, Construction Temporary Quarters and Temporary Occupation Licence quarters), please contact your supporting agencies (i.e. the agency that listed your firm as "essential") and the supporting agencies should put up a request to BCA for approval. BCA will only respond to requests that are put up by the supporting public agencies.