

EARLY ENDEMIC PHASE GUIDELINES FOR SUPERMARKETS AND RETAIL SHOPS

This document provides the measures under which supermarkets and retail shops are permitted to open during Brunei's early endemic phase within the National COVID-19 Recovery Framework.

COVID-19 Control Measures in Endemic Phase

- **Use of the Bruhealth App:**
 - a. All premises must register for a Bruhealth QR code.
 - b. The owner of premises is to ensure all individuals entering the premises scan their Bruhealth app once entering (this includes all employees/staff/volunteers).
 - c. The owner of premises to ensure only individuals with green and yellow Bruhealth codes are allowed to enter.
- **Complete vaccination:**
 - a. The owner of premises is to ensure all employees/staff/volunteers eligible to be vaccinated (no medical contraindications) are fully vaccinated.
- **Mask wearing:**
 - a. All individuals aged 2 years or older should wear a mask over their nose and mouth in indoor public places, on public transport, in crowded outdoor settings, and for activities with close contact with others who are not fully vaccinated.
 - b. Masks can be taken off when:
 - i. In hotel rooms or accommodation with members of the household.
 - ii. In an enclosed individual workspace.
 - iii. During strenuous activity during Sports and recreational activities.
 - iv. Own vehicle and involve household members.
 - v. Indoor or outdoor public areas and places without any other individuals.
 - vi. When eating and drinking in a public place without any other individual (other than in a restaurant or food premises).
- **Hand hygiene and cough and sneezing etiquette:**
 - a. If individuals have been in a public place, or after blowing their nose, coughing, or sneezing, they are advised to wash their hands frequently with soap and water, but if not readily available, use a hand sanitiser that contains at least 60% alcohol. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.
- **Physical distancing measures are in place:**
 - a. At least 1.5m apart between individuals when possible.
- **Ventilation of premises:**
 - a. The owner of indoor premises to ensure premises have adequate ventilation.
- **Self-health monitoring and ART testing:**
 - a. Individuals are advised to monitor health daily for symptoms.
 - b. It is recommended that vaccinated people do an ART as a matter of routine once every 2 weeks. And test before attending gatherings or visiting others in their home.

Fully vaccinated individuals

An individual is considered to be fully vaccinated if he/she has received the appropriate regimen of WHO Emergency Use Listing (WHO EUL) vaccines or BDMCA-approved vaccines. Vaccination status in an individual's BruHealth, International Certificate of Vaccination or Prophylaxis book (Yellow Book), or other acceptable vaccination records may be shown to the management of a premise or organiser of the event as proof of vaccination.

Proof of negative ART

This will be required for individuals who are unvaccinated or partially vaccinated to ENTER PUBLIC PREMISES. Proof must be in the form of an ART conducted under observation by the relevant authority or store owner or can be in the form of a certificate issued by an ART certification centre that is registered with the Ministry of Health. These certificates will be issued with a validity period that expires in 2 (two) days. Children under the age of 12, when together with a party of fully vaccinated adults will be granted the same exemptions that apply to fully vaccinated individuals during the endemic phase only.

Measures for supermarkets and retail shops

Updates to operational measures and requirements in supermarkets and retail shops are as follows:

Owners/Employees	Customers
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Only employees that have completed two (2) doses of vaccine with GREEN and YELLOW BruHealth colour codes are allowed to work in areas of the premises where there is public interaction.• Unvaccinated employees with GREEN and YELLOW BruHealth colour codes are only permitted to work in areas of the premises where there is no public interaction, provided that they undergo ART testing and receive a negative ART result. THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO FRONTLINERS.• Owner is encouraged to carry out regular ART testing on all employees in line with the ART Guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health.• Any employee that is not feeling well is advised not to come to work.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scan QR code using the BruHealth app. Only individuals with GREEN and YELLOW BruHealth colour codes will be allowed to enter the premises.• Vaccinated individuals that have completed two (2) doses of vaccine are allowed entry by showing their vaccination status on the BruHealth app or Vaccination Booklet (Yellow Book).• Unvaccinated individuals are required to undergo ART, for which the validity period of the test result is two (2) days.• Children under 18 years old who have not received or completed their vaccinations are allowed to enter premises without the need for ART testing, provided that they are accompanied by a fully vaccinated adult.

Owners/Employees	Customers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employees are required to wear face masks at all times. • Premises must register for a BruHealth QR code that is printed and placed at the entrance area. • Number of customers allowed to enter at any one time is limited to 75% of the normal premise capacity but not more than 300 people (whichever is lower). • Notice regarding the number of maximum and 75% capacity (excluding employees in the venue/premise) and declaration of the vaccination status of all employees as per APPENDIX 1 must be displayed outside the premise. • Perform body temperature checks before entering the premise and provide hand sanitisers. • Adhere to guidelines on cleaning and sanitation of premises. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individuals who are not feeling well are advised not to enter the premises. • Face mask is required at all times. • Practice social distancing and personal hygiene at all times such as washing hands regularly or using hand sanitiser.