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Dear Dormitory Operators,

Revisions to Licence Conditions under Foreign Employee Dormitories Act (FEDA)

We would like to inform you of the revisions to three licence conditions under FEDA, which will take effect from **26 November 2024**. These changes are made, following feedback from dorm operators and other public agencies.

2. The revised FEDA licence conditions are as follows:

Living unit

LC 7.3.1.

This revised LC will apply to all FEDA dormitories with a Class 1 to 4 licence on Set B (for licensees who applied for permission from the relevant government agencies on or after 18 September 2021 to operate the dormitory).

Existing licence condition	Revised licence condition
7.3.1. There must be a minimum clearance of one metre horizontally between the edges of one bed and another bed.	7.3.1 There must be a minimum distance of one metre horizontally between the edges of one bed to another bed. Subject to the Commissioner’s approval, licensees can have alternative layouts that achieve similar or better outcomes in mitigating infection risk. Such alternative layouts must be evidence-based and endorsed by appropriate agencies.

Potable water

LC 8.8.

This revised LC will apply to all classes of FEDA dormitories who are on Set B licences (for licensees who applied for permission from the relevant government agencies on or after 18 September 2021 to operate the dormitory).

Existing licence condition	Revised licence condition
<p>8.8. The Licensee must provide adequate water (including potable water) to the residents. This may be in the form of at least one hot or room-temperature water dispenser for every 24 bed spaces per floor, where the water dispensers must be spaced out and not located next to each other and situated conveniently for the assigned residents to use. Alternatively, the Licensee may provide at least two water kettles for the designated use of one living unit of 12 residents.</p>	<p>8.8 The Licensee must provide the residents with adequate supply and access to hot and room temperature potable water.</p>

Recreational and commercial amenities

LC 12.2.

This revised LC will apply to all Class 4 FEDA dormitories (both Sets A¹ and B).

Existing licence condition	Revised licence condition
<p>12.2. The Licensee must provide the following indoor recreational facilities that have the appropriate equipment that is properly maintained in good working condition:</p> <p>12.2.1. At least one gymnasium of at least 40 square metres;</p> <p>12.2.2. At least one multi-purpose room of at least 100 square metres; and</p> <p>12.2.3. At least one common TV screening area with pay TV, which could be located within the indoor recreation room.</p>	<p>12.2. The Licensee must provide the following indoor recreational facilities that have the appropriate equipment that is properly maintained in good working condition:</p> <p>12.2.1. At least one gymnasium of at least 40 square metres;</p> <p>12.2.2. At least one multi-purpose room of at least 100 square metres</p>

3. Please note the existing FEDA licence conditions will remain effective until 25 November 2024. They will be replaced with the revised licence conditions from 26 November 2024. We would like to remind dormitory operators to comply with the FEDA licence conditions at all times.

4. If you have any enquiries or feedback on the revisions to the FEDA licence conditions, you may write to us at mom_fmmd@mom.gov.sg.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

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¹ Set A refers to dormitories who applied for permission from the relevant government agencies before 18 September 2021 to operate.