

PRESS RELEASE

VOTING FOR SINGAPOREANS OVERSEAS

Voting at Overseas Polling Stations

After consulting the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Health on the COVID-19 situation at the 10 overseas polling stations in Beijing, Canberra, Dubai, Hong Kong, London, New York, San Francisco, Shanghai, Tokyo and Washington, the Returning Officer has decided that overseas voting at these 10 overseas polling stations will proceed. However, this is subject to the approval of the overseas authorities and the prevailing COVID-19 situation in those cities. The Elections Department (ELD) is working with the overseas polling stations to implement the necessary safety measures to ensure that voting is safe for our overseas voters and election officials. Details on the voting procedures will be sent to registered overseas voters after Nomination Day.

Returning Singaporeans on COVID-19 Stay Order, commonly known as “Stay Home Notice” (SHN)

2 Under existing MOH policy, Singaporeans returning from overseas have to serve 14-day Stay Home Notice (SHN) either at dedicated SHN facilities (usually hotels) or at their place of residence, depending on where they spent the last consecutive 14 days prior to their return.

Returning Singaporeans serving SHN at dedicated SHN facilities

3 For returning Singaporeans serving their SHN at dedicated SHN facilities (hotels), ELD will make arrangements so that they can vote at those dedicated SHN facilities away from other voters, as provided for under the Parliamentary Elections (COVID-19 Special Arrangements) Act 2020.

Returning Singaporeans serving SHN at their homes

4 For returning Singaporeans who are serving SHN at home, ELD will also make arrangements so that they can vote while minimising exposure to other voters, candidates and election officials.

5 ELD will share the details of the voting arrangements for returning Singaporeans serving SHN at dedicated SHN facilities and at home after Nomination Day.

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