

Exempt from shutdowns

Except for suppliers and supply chains of essential services, activities at all workplaces and retail outlets must be suspended from April 7 to May 4 as part of the additional steps taken to minimise the further spread of Covid-19 cases. Here's a list of those exempted:

■ **Healthcare & social services:** Acute and community hospitals, polyclinics and private-sector clinics, urgent dental services, renal dialysis centres, TCM clinics, physiotherapy and chiro practice. Nursing, psychiatric and rehabilitation homes; and pharmacies. Medical wholesalers and distributors and medical supply and equipment providers.

■ **Food:** Food suppliers and manufacturers, supermarkets, convenience stores, grocery retailers, markets; F&B outlets and hawker centres (takeaway and delivery orders only); food caterers; and food packaging and printing service providers.

■ **Energy:** Electricity generation, transmission and distribution as well as related services. Gas suppliers and their contractors/ suppliers; bus operators for electricity/-gas facilities; services for bottling and distributing cylinder gas; and petrol kiosks.

■ **Water, waste, environment:** Potable and industrial water providers; PUB suppliers; waste collectors and disposal facilities; funeral-related services; pest control, fumigation and meteorological services.

■ **Transportation & storage:** Air traffic control, airport operations and air transport services; shipping and its related services; public transport services; third party logistics providers; and all warehouses and storage services.

■ **Information & communications:** Newspapers, radio, TV, telecommunications, submarine cable operations, postal services, ICT support, cybersecurity and social media and messaging platforms.

■ **Defence & security:** Security firms and development and research projects supporting essential services or national security.

■ **Construction, facilities management & critical public infrastructure:** Firms involved in epidemic control, construction work in progress, selected development projects, provider of lifts/escalators and veterinary services.

■ **Manufacturing & distribution:** Chemicals and petrochemicals, healthcare supplies and medical equipment, marine and offshore engineering, printing and packaging to support food services, aerospace repair and maintenance and distributors of essential products.

■ **Banking & finance:** Banking services, asset management, payment services, insurance and currencies, securities and derivatives trading.

■ **Others:** Selected hotels and serviced apartments, online retail and related supply chains, hairdressing, optician services, plumbers, electricians and locksmiths, hardware stores, vehicle recovery and repair, laundry and pet supplies.

For the full list, visit <https://covid.gobusiness.gov.sg/essentialservices>

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