Application for SZH to carry more than 5 passengers

1. Owners/operators of SZH-licensed pleasure craft who wish to carry more than 5 passengers, other than the master/crew employed to operate the craft, are required to submit their proposals for MPA's review and approval. The proposals shall be submitted at least 14 days prior to the commencement of first trip with carriage of more than 5 passengers.

2. Owners/operators of SZH-licensed pleasure craft issued with the approval are reminded of their responsibility to ensure compliance, failing which the approval would be revoked and appeals would not be entertained.

- 3. The plan shall include but is not limited to the following:
 - a) Compliance with the prevailing Safe Management Measures (SMM) (<u>LINK</u>) and MOM's requirements for SMMs at workplace (<u>LINK</u>).
 - b) Appointing Safe Management Officer(s) (SMO) to assist in the implementation, coordination and monitoring of the system of SMM on board the pleasure craft. The SMO can be the master of the craft or a nominated crew member who reports to the master. The master is responsible for and to ensure the proper execution of the SMO functions. The duties of the SMOs include coordinating implementation of SMM, conducting inspections, and checks remedying noncompliance; keep records of inspections, checks and correction actions.
 - c) Measures that will be taken on board to ensure not more than 5 persons in a sub-group and maintaining 1m safe distancing between the sub-groups. There should not be intermingling between the sub-groups at all times. including during side visits to the beaches, islands, etc, or other activities.
 - d) Ensure the persons boarding the craft check-in and checkout using the TraceTogether-only SafeEntry (TT-only SE). If TT-only SE is not available, a record of the passenger and crew manifest of each charter shall be maintained for contact tracing purpose. The manifest shall be kept for at least 30 days.
 - e) Checking of visible respiratory symptoms and disallowing any passengers displaying any visible respiratory symptoms (such as coughing, sneezing, breathlessness or a runny nose) to board the pleasure craft.
 - f) Conducting a pre-departure briefing and to ensure that all SMMs relevant to passengers are conveyed to them
 - g) Details of activities that will be conducted. For specific activities (e.g swimming, kayaking, scuba diving) carried out onboard, please provide details on activities and elaborate on SMM (e.g common usage equipment sanitization prior to use by other group) put in place to ensure that all activities are conducted in accordance to national policy and in accordance to advisories issued. Any activity that does not allow safe distancing to be observed must not be conducted
 - h) Ensuring that all persons on board are wearing face masks in accordance with the prevailing requirements.

- Cleaning and disinfection of the pleasure craft after each charter or as necessary, especially the high touch areas such as tables, chairs, railings door handles etc. (Please refer to NEA website for the guidelines and advisories via LINK)
- j) Owners/Operators of the SZH-licensed pleasure craft shall provide additional documents to MPA if there is a need for clarification.

4. Owners/operators of SZH-licensed pleasure craft are required to submit their respective plans in a single word document to Mr Shawn Hoe (email: shawn_hoe@mpa.gov.sg)

5. Owners/operators of SZH-licensed pleasure craft who do not comply with the required SMM will face a fine of up to S\$10,000, imprisonment of up to six months, or both for first-time offenders under the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Act. Repeat offenders may face a fine of up to S\$20,000, imprisonment of up to twelve months, or both. Further, other powers under the Act, suspension or revocation of licences, may be used against the owners/operators of SZH-licensed pleasure craft that are found to be non-compliant. Owners/operators of SZH-licensed pleasure craft who do not comply with SMMs may also be ineligible for government grants, loans, tax rebates and other assistance.