

Event Business Management Pte Ltd fined \$3,500 for operating temporary fair without valid permit

Event Business Management Pte Ltd was fined \$3,500 by the Court today for operating an illegal fair.

2 On 11 April 2022, Singapore Food Agency (SFA) officers found that the company had been illegally operating a temporary fair, “Fiesta Ramadan 2022” at E!Hub@Downtown East. During the inspection, eight food stalls were found operating. The fair had commenced on 9 April 2022 without a valid temporary fair permit. SFA issued a warning to the company to stop the fair on 11 April 2022, but the company continued to operate the fair. SFA subsequently suspended its operations on 12 April 2022.

3 Under the Environmental Public Health Act, all operators of temporary fairs must get a permit from SFA for the duration of the fair. This allows SFA to ensure that fair operators have complied with measures to ensure food safety. Applications should be submitted at least two weeks before the fair commencement date. Food and beverage stalls at temporary fairs are also required to be licensed by SFA, with food handlers who have passed the mandatory Food Safety Course Level One.

4 SFA will take enforcement action against temporary fair operators who do not adhere to regulations. Offenders are liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000. For a subsequent conviction, they are liable to a fine not exceeding \$20,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to both.

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