



PARTIAL LIBERALISATION OF LOCATION REQUIREMENT FOR MSC MALAYSIA STATUS COMPANIES FROM 1 JANUARY 2012 TO 24 MARCH 2022

This announcement serves as a communication refresh on the above policy, which was approved by the Government in 2011.

The upsurge of technology and digitalisation has revolutionised the way businesses operate and made it possible for the companies to conduct business from anywhere with a reliable internet connection. This has resulted in a significant shift in the companies' working approach and choice of location, allowing for more flexible work options.

Hence, the move to liberalise the location requirement under MSC Malaysia / Malaysia Digital initiative gives the relaxation to location requirements in allowing the companies to choose a suitable location to operate their businesses in any location nationwide. This will also help the companies to increase the productivity and quality of life.

The steps to liberalise the location requirement started on 1 January 2012 with the implementation of the Partial Liberalisation in which Tier-1 or Tier-2 MSC Malaysia Status companies are allowed to locate and operate their MSC Malaysia qualifying activities in the:

- i. Designated Premises (premises designated by Government located within MSC Malaysia Cybercity / Cybercentre); or
- ii. Other Commercial Premises (other non-designated premises within MSC Malaysia Cybercity / Cybercentre).

Subsequently, with effect from 25 March 2022 onwards, full liberalisation of location requirement is implemented which allows the MSC Malaysia / Malaysia Digital Status companies to locate and operate their businesses in any location in Malaysia.

With this initiative, it will further bolster innovations in Malaysia's ICT industry and provides greater opportunities for companies to grow and expand their businesses as well as investment.

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