

Singapore Multi-Ethnic Culture Shock!

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1- Basic Etiquette Shock: Don'ts Etiquette

1. Don't Litter
2. Don't Smoke in Public Areas....
3. Don't Sell and Chew Gum
4. Don't spit
5. Don't Eat and Drink in stations and Trains





**No Eating
or Drinking**

Fine \$500



**No
Smoking**

Fine \$1000



**No Flammable
Liquid or Gas**

Fine \$5000

6. If you are a cyclist Someone will be penalized due to the following:

- .Careless riding
- .Not wearing a helmet while riding on the road
- .Failure to conform to a red light signal
- .using mobile phones while riding
penalty is \$1000 first offence or up to 3 months of jail time



FINES & PENALTIES FOR BICYCLE, E-SCOOTERS, PMD, PAB, PMA OFFENCES

Seedly
seedly.sg

OFFENCE	FINE	JAIL TIME
Failing to stop and lookout for traffic when riding across road	Up To \$1,000	3 Months
Failing to stop, help, exchange particulars when you are involved in an accident	Up To \$3,000	12 Months
Failing to abide by "NO RIDING" sign	Up To \$1,000	3 Months
E-scooter or motorised bicycle fail to meet device criteria	Up To \$5,000	3 Months
Riding of E-scooter on footpaths	Up To \$2,000	3 Months
Blasting distasteful music while riding	TOTALLY LEGAL BUT NOT COOL BRO!	



7. No Jaywalking
8. Don't walk Naked at home
9. Connecting to Wireless Internet access
10. Ensure that pet dogs will not run towards people or vehicles.
11. Not flushing the toilet is an offence.
12. Don't upload or download music. It is illegal and penalized with 5 years jail and fined up to 100,000 \$.
13. Don't talk loudly.
14. Don't hug without permission .







SINGAPURA CLUB RULES

NO SMOKING
NO SHOUTING
NO SPITTING
**NO CUTTING
GLASSES**
NO CREDIT (I.O.U)
NO BARGAINING
NO GAMBLING
NO TALKING LOUD

NO MISCHIEF MAKING
NO OUTSIDE FOOD
**NO SEXUAL
DISCRIMINATION**
**NO FLIRTING
WITH CASHIER**
**NO FOREIGN
CURRENCY ALLOWED**
**NO SLEEPING
IN THE TOILET**
(STAFF ONLY)

ALL ARE WELCOME

Do's Etiquette

1. Do stand on the correct side

Stand on your left when riding on the escalators at our MRT stations so that others can walk on the right



2. Do join the queue

3. Do mind your manners

4. Do treat the elders like family



2-Visiting Etiquette

- ▶ It is common for people to remove their shoes when entering someone's home.
- ▶ Punctuality is important to Singaporeans, and it is considered polite to call a host in advance if one is running late.
- ▶ It is expected that a guest will bring a small gift to the host. The type of gift expected may differ depending on the host's ethnicity.



Gifts Etiquette

- ▶ It is important to become familiar with the type of gifts that are common to each ethnic identity.
- ▶ The wrapping of gifts is important—particularly to Chinese Singaporeans).
- ▶ Both hands are used to give and receive a gift.
- ▶ For Indian or Hindu Singaporeans, wrapping should be in bright colours such as red, yellow and green. Leather products and alcohol should not be given.
- ▶ Gift giving etiquette of ethnic Malays typically relate to Islam; gifts that include alcohol or pork should not be given and presents of food must meet halal standards.
- ▶ Taboo items are sharp objects (e.g. knives, scissors), clocks, handkerchiefs, umbrellas, green hats, mirrors and yellow or white flowers.



Values of Multi- Ethnic Culture!

values are sacred for Singaporean ethnicities as they associate with their religions.

Muslims, Christians, and Buddhists each mind their own manners and live peacefully together as one community.

The Singaporean whether Malay, Indian , or Chinese celebrate their festivals and respect their sacred values; Muslim's Eid Fitir and Adhha, Indian's Diwali, the Chinese year and the global New Year.

One of the most shocking festivals for visitors is the Hungry Ghost Festival; the Asian Halloween.

It is believed that the ghosts come out during this period from the lower realms. During this festival in Singapore, people visit the graves to meet their ancestors and deceased members of the family and offer them food.



Hungry Ghost Festival!

Offerings are made to the spirits of the deceased to take care of their materialistic needs even in their afterlives. It is said that the ghosts make mischief if they are ignored. What's unique about the ghost festival in Singapore is that there are many entertainment sources available for the people. Large tents are set up during the festival, and many live performances are also conducted.



BEFORE



AFTER







THANK YOU :)

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