

Klang Valley lemong sellers told to abide by regulations

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LEMANG sellers in the Klang Valley, especially those operating along roadsides, must maintain cleanliness and ensure minimal disturbance to the public, say the local authorities.

Local councils have set strict regulations for those selling the Malay delicacy of glutinous rice and coconut milk in bamboo, which is cooked over open fire, to allay concerns over safety and hygiene.

In Kuala Lumpur, 36 temporary licences were issued, most of which were for roadside traders.

The licences are valid until May 9.

In a statement to *StarMetro*, Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) said the traders were allowed to operate from 10am to 10pm.

“All licensees and their assistants are also required to have received typhoid injections.

“They must also prepare containers with lids to store and dispose of rubbish,” said DBKL, adding that the placing of tables and chairs were prohibited too.

In Selangor, the local authorities require traders to submit photos of their proposed operation site in their temporary licence application.

This is to ensure the locations are suitable and will not pose disturbance to the public.

In many places, the traders are also responsible for rubbish disposal and cleanup at the site.

Subang Jaya City Council (MBSJ), which had issued nine licences, collected collateral fees from the traders.

The money, the city council said, would be forfeited if the traders failed to upkeep cleanli-

ness at their operation site.

“The operation dates are from April 1 to May 8, with the operation hours from 6.30am to 12.30am,” it added.

Selayang Municipal Council (MPS), which issued 10 temporary licences, reminded traders to pack up their tents every day after operation.

“The traders are allowed to operate throughout the Hari Raya Aidilfitri festivity, from 8am to midnight, daily,” it said.

Kajang Municipal Council (MPKJ), too, collected a RM300 collateral fee for cleanliness and had issued 27 licences.

Traders in the municipality were only allowed to set up removable stalls, tents, tables and chairs.

“No one is allowed to operate at parking bays and five footways.

“The building of permanent



Lemong sellers are required to observe rules and regulations provided by local councils or face action.

structures is also prohibited,” MPKJ said, adding that action would be taken for failure to comply.

Ampang Jaya Municipal Council (MPAJ), issued 35 licences for traders to operate at 22 approved locations.

Unlike under other councils, traders here are allowed to decide on their operation hours.

As for the duration of their licence, this was decided based on the dates applied for by the traders.

“There is a cleaning fee involved and the council will take responsibility for cleaning,” added MPAJ.

Klang Royal City Council issued 18 licences valid for 14 days, subject to renewals.