

CAIQING 2024

Lion and dragon dance performances are allowed to take place, subject to the prevailing conditions and restrictions, during the Chinese New Year (CNY) period from 9 to 24 Feb 2024 (16 days), and up to 10.30pm daily.

This is subject to the performing troupe obtaining a valid Caiqing Permit jointly issued by the Singapore Wushu Dragon and Lion Dance Federation (SWDLDF) and the People's Association (PA).

Participating troupes shall strictly adhere to: (i) the conditions and restrictions associated with the issuance of the Caiqing Permit. Offenders shall face disciplinary actions from SWDLDF. Any organization/instructor who fails to comply with the conditions and restrictions, shall not be allowed to apply for Caiqing permit for 3 years and will be banned from participating in any activity organized by SWDLDF.

It is the responsibility of each party (i.e. the performing troupe and its hirer) to discharge their respective duties as laid out in the Roles and Responsibilities sections to ensure compliance with the conditions and restrictions for the Caiqing performance.

The Application Process for Caiqing Permit for 2024 is as follows:

1. Lion Dance troupes submit Application (Form 1) by 1.00pm on Friday, 12 January 2024 to SWDLDF/PA for applying Caiqing permit;
2. SWDLDF/PA assess and issue Caiqing permit;
3. Each Troupe comes back to SWDLDF/PA with Form 2 (Email Address: caiqing@wuzong.com) stating the schedule of performance and location, with hirer's information / contact details (one entry for each location). For e.g. if there are three performances or hirers in the same area/block, troupe should submit three separate entries in the Form 2 (each entry with different unit number). Submission can be via Form 2 (Excel format). The last day for submission is Wednesday, 31 January 2024.
4. In case of invitation to perform Caiqing at the last minutes, the Troupe may submit a Form 2 via Email Address: caiqing@wuzong.com two working days before the scheduled performance day to seek approval.
5. SWDLDF/PA will assess each performance location, and issue an approval email (or Form 2) to the troupe for their performance(s) to proceed, or reject application.
6. Troupe will have to bring along their Caiqing permit and the approved Form 2 when performing. Enforcement Officers will request for these documents to ensure that the performance has been given approval to proceed.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF LION DANCE TROUPE

Roles:

- a) Apply for Caiqing permit (Form 1)
- b) Apply for Approval (either via Form 2 or via Form 2 in Excel format) for individual Caiqing performance
- c) Assign a Team Leader for each Caiqing performance as point of contact

Responsibilities:

- a) Team Leader ensure Lion Dance Troupe members understand and adhere to the conditions and restrictions
- b) Brief Hirer on his responsibilities and the conditions and restrictions
- c) Two days before performance - submit updated, if any, Form 2 of all performances of that day to the Police and SWDLDF/PA
- d) On performance day / time - brief all Troupe members on the requirements. Encourage all Troupe members to mask up at all time, except for the Lion dance performers during the performance segment
- e) Troupe members proceed directly to Caiqing performance area provided by the Hirer
- f) No en-route performance and drumming / music from drop-off point to performing location (and vice versa)
- g) Only perform at Caiqing performance area provided by the Hirer
- h) Ensure that there is minimum interaction between the Troupe members and the audience, and maintain safe distancing between individuals at all times (except the Lion dancers when they are doing their performance)
- i) Ensure that the Troupe leaves the performing location immediately after Caiqing performance

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF HIRER AND VENUE OWNER/MANAGER

Roles:

- a) Ensure that the Troupe obtain the Approval (either via Form 2 or via Form 2 Excel format) for Caiqing performance
- b) Assign a Person In-charge
- c) Provide an area for Caiqing performance with demarcation
- d) Provide manpower to ensure adherence to the conditions and restrictions

Responsibilities:

- a) Ensure that the assigned Person In-charge understand and perform the responsibilities of Hirer
- b) Provide and set up an area for Caiqing performance and encourage all to maintain safe distancing at all times
- c) Provide sufficient manpower to ensure the conditions and restrictions are adhered to
- d) Ensure that there is no en-route performance and drumming / music from drop-off point to performing location (and vice versa)
- e) Ensure that there is minimum physical contact between the Lion Dance Troupe and the audience
- f) Ensure that the Troupe leaves the performing location immediately after Caiqing performance

**SINGAPORE WUSHU DRAGON & LION DANCE FEDERATION / PEOPLE'S
ASSOCIATION**
**2024 CHINESE NEW YEAR LION DANCE "CAIQING"
CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS**

1. The 2024 Chinese New Year Lion Dance "Caiqing" permit is jointly issued by Singapore Wushu Dragon & Lion Dance Federation (SWDLDF) and People's Association. Only SWDLDF ordinary and associate members are eligible to apply.
2. The permit is issued for a restricted period between **9 February 2024 (Lunar New Year Eve) till 24 February 2024 (15th day of Lunar New Year)**, and from 10.00am to 10.30pm daily.
3. Interested organizations are to fill in the Application form together with a fee of \$50.00 (inclusive of GST) and submit it to the Secretariat. Application closes at 5.00pm on Friday, 12 January 2024. Incomplete application will be rejected. **Late application shall be not be accepted. Payment must be submitted together with a photocopy of the valid Registry of Societies or ACRA registration and a photocopy of their Lion Dance Coaches Certification.**
4. The permit shall be pasted on the left-front windscreen of the main vehicle.
5. The permit holder shall follow the troupe to ensure proper conduct and discipline of the troupers. All vehicles must strictly adhere to the traffic rules and regulations, keep to the left side of the road and not obstruct the free flow of traffic.
6. No offensive weapons are allowed. Troupes should not use any indecent/threatening or abusive words or behave in a manner likely to provoke fights or breach public peace.
7. All participating troupes shall visit the pre-approved places only.
8. Ensure that there is no littering along the routes, assembly and dispersal areas.
9. Participating troupes must have the "Caiqing" permit to perform Caiqing
10. Participating troupes are not allowed to transfer or loan their permit or uniform to other organizations.
11. Illegal employment/usage of foreigners to perform Caiqing is strictly not allowed.
12. Participating troupes shall strictly adhere to the above-mentioned conditions and restrictions. Offenders shall face disciplinary actions from SWDLDF. Any organization/instructor who fails to comply with the above-mentioned conditions and restrictions, **shall not be allowed to apply for Caiqing permit and will be banned from participating in any activity organized by SWDLDF for 3 consecutive years.**

13. It is the responsibility of each party (i.e. the performing troupe and the hirer) to discharge their respective duties as laid out in the Roles and Responsibilities sections to ensure compliance with the conditions and restrictions for the Caiqing performance.
14. For any enquiry, please contact SWDLDF/PA at caiqing@wuzong.com.