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Construction Workers Registration (Fees) (Amendment) Regulation 2015

(Made by the Construction Industry Council under section 63 of the Construction Workers Registration Ordinance (Cap. 583) subject to the approval of the Secretary for Development)

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on the day on which section 2 of the Construction Workers Registration (Amendment) Ordinance 2014 (22 of 2014) comes into operation.

2. Construction Workers Registration (Fees) Regulation amended

The Construction Workers Registration (Fees) Regulation (Cap. 583 sub. leg. B) is amended as set out in sections 3 to 14.

3. Section 2 amended (interpretation)

(1) Section 2—

Repeal subsection (1).

(2) Section 2(2)(a)—

Repeal

everything after "trade" and before the semicolon

Substitute

"division".

(3) Section 2(2)(b)—

Repeal

everything after "trade" and before the semicolon **Substitute**

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"division".

(4) Section 2(2)(c)—

Repeal

everything after "trade" and before the semicolon

Substitute

"division".

(5) Section 2(2)(d)—

Repeal

everything after "trade" and before the semicolon

Substitute

"division".

(6) Section 2(3)(a)—

Repeal

everything after "trade" and before the semicolon

Substitute

"division".

(7) Section 2(3)(b)—

Repeal

everything after "trade" and before the semicolon

Substitute

"division".

4. Section 3 substituted

Section 3—

Repeal the section

Substitute

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"3. Application fees for registration: general

Subject to sections 3A, 4 and 5, the fee payable for an application for registration is \$100.".

5. Section 3A added

After section 3—

Add

"3A. Application fees for registration: registration periods of not more than 48 months

- (1) The fee payable for an application for registration for a registration period specified in column 1 of Schedule 1 is the percentage of the general application fee specified in column 2 of that Schedule opposite the period.
- (2) In this section—

general application fee (一般申請費) means the fee prescribed by section 3;

registration period (註冊期), in relation to a registration, means the period beginning on the date of the registration and expiring on the date specified under section 44(1) of the Ordinance for the registration.".

6. Section 4 substituted

Section 4—

Repeal the section

Substitute

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"4. Application fees for registration: applicant is a registered construction worker

No fee is payable for an application for registration if the person making the application is already a registered construction worker.".

7. Section 5 substituted

Section 5—

Repeal the section

Substitute

"5. Application fees for registration: specific designated trade divisions

The fee payable for an application for registration is one-half of the fee prescribed under section 3 or 3A if—

- (a) it is an application for registration as a registered skilled worker or registered semi-skilled worker for a designated trade division; and
- (b) a qualification or requirement is set out in column 6 of Schedule 1 to the Ordinance opposite the trade division.".

8. Section 6 substituted

Section 6—

Repeal the section

Substitute

"6. Application fees for renewal of registration: general

Subject to sections 6A and 6B, the fee payable for an application for renewal of registration is \$100.".

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9. Sections 6A and 6B added

After section 6—

Add

****6A.** Application fees for renewal of registration: renewal periods of not more than 48 months

- (1) The fee payable for an application for renewal of registration for a renewal period specified in column 1 of Schedule 2 is the percentage of the general renewal fee specified in column 2 of that Schedule opposite the period.
- (2) In this section—
- general renewal fee (一般續期費) means the fee prescribed by section 6;
- renewal period (續期期間), in relation to the renewal of a registration, means the period—
 - (a) beginning on the relevant date as defined by paragraph (b), (c) or (d) of the definition of *relevant date* in section 44(10) of the Ordinance; and
 - (b) expiring on the date specified under section 44(1) of the Ordinance for the registration as renewed.

6B. Application fees for renewal of registration: specific designated trade divisions

The fee payable for an application for renewal of registration is one-half of the fee prescribed under section 6 or 6A if—

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> (a) it is an application for renewal of registration as a registered skilled worker or registered semiskilled worker for a designated trade division;
> and

> (b) a qualification or requirement is set out in column 6 of Schedule 1 to the Ordinance opposite the trade division.".

10. Section 8A added

Part 3, after section 8—

Add

"8A. Fee for assessment under section 40A(8) of Ordinance

- (1) The fee payable under section 40A(8) of the Ordinance for one assessment referred to in section 40A(1)(b)(ii) of the Ordinance is \$50.
- (2) The Council is to refund in full a fee paid under subsection (1) in connection with a person's application for registration if—
 - (a) the application is made within 12 months beginning on the commencement date of section 40A of the Ordinance; and
 - (b) the person passes the assessment for which the fee was paid.".

11. Section 9 amended (waiver of application fees for registration)

(1) Section 9, Chinese text, heading, after "申請"—

Add

"的".

(2) Section 9(1)(b)—

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Repeal

"4(2)"

Substitute

"3A".

- 12. Section 10 amended (waiver of application fees for renewal of registration)
 - (1) Section 10, Chinese text, heading, after "申請"—

Add

"的".

(2) Section 10(1)(b)—

Repeal

"6(1) or (2)"

Substitute

"6, 6A or 6B".

13. Part 5 repealed (refund of fees)

Part 5—

Repeal the Part.

14. Schedules 1 and 2 added

At the end of the Regulation—

Add

Section 14

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"Schedule 1

[s. 3A]

Application Fees for Registration for Registration Periods of Not More Than 48 Months

	Column 1	Column 2
	Registration period	Percentage of general application fee
1.	Not more than 12 months	20
2.	More than 12 months but not more than 24 months	40
3.	More than 24 months but not more than 36 months	60
4.	More than 36 months but not more than 48 months	80

Schedule 2

[s. 6A]

Application Fees for Renewal of Registration for Renewal Periods of Not More Than 48 Months

	Column 1	Column 2
	Renewal period	Percentage of general renewal fee
1.	Not more than 12 months	20
2.	More than 12 months but not more than 24 months	40

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Column 1

Column 2

Percentage of general renewal fee

3. More than 24 months but not more than 36 months

4. More than 36 months but not more than 48 months

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation mainly amends the Construction Workers Registration (Fees) Regulation (Cap. 583 sub. leg. B) (*principal Regulation*) to modify the fee charging scheme prescribed for applications under the Construction Workers Registration Ordinance (Cap. 583) (*Ordinance*).

- 2. Section 3 repeals obsolete definitions, and makes consequential amendments to the principal Regulation necessitated by the Construction Workers Registration (Amendment) Ordinance 2014 (22 of 2014) (*Amendment Ordinance*).
- 3. Section 4 amends section 3 of the principal Regulation to provide that, subject to the prescribed exceptions, the application fee for a registration within the meaning of the Ordinance is \$100.
- 4. Section 5 adds a new section 3A to the principal Regulation to provide for the application fees for registration for registration periods of not more than 48 months.
- 5. Section 6 amends section 4 of the principal Regulation so that under the amended section 4, no fee is payable for all applications for registration made by persons who are registered construction workers.
- 6. Section 7 amends section 5 of the principal Regulation to make consequential amendments necessitated by the Amendment Ordinance.

- 7. Section 8 amends section 6 of the principal Regulation to provide that, subject to the prescribed exceptions, the application fee for renewal of registration is \$100.
- 8. Section 9 adds 2 new sections to the principal Regulation—
 - (a) the new section 6A provides for the application fees for renewal of registration for renewal periods of not more than 48 months;
 - (b) the new section 6B is substituted for section 6(2) of the principal Regulation to make consequential amendments necessitated by the Amendment Ordinance.
- 9. Section 10 adds a new section 8A to the principal Regulation to prescribe a fee of \$50 for taking one assessment referred to in section 40A(1)(b)(ii) of the Ordinance. The new section also prescribes a refund arrangement for that fee, which applies if the application relating to the fee is made within 12 months beginning on the commencement date of section 40A of the Ordinance and the applicant passes the assessment concerned.
- 10. Sections 11 and 12 make consequential amendments to sections 9 and 10 of the principal Regulation.
- 11. Section 13 repeals Part 5 of the principal Regulation which provided for the refund of application fees under the old fee charging scheme.
- 12. Section 14 adds 2 new Schedules to the principal Regulation for the fees payable under the new sections 3A and 6A of the principal Regulation.