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# **Adoption (Amendment) Rules 2015**

(Made by the Chief Justice under section 12(1) of the Adoption Ordinance (Cap. 290))

#### 1. Commencement

- (1) These Rules, except rule 3(2) and (3), come into operation on 1 June 2015.
- (2) Rule 3(2) comes into operation on 1 June 2016.
- (3) Rule 3(3) comes into operation on 1 June 2017.

### 2. Adoption Rules amended

The Adoption Rules (Cap. 290 sub. leg. A) are amended as set out in rule 3.

# 3. Rule 8 amended (Director of Social Welfare to be guardian ad litem subject to rule 9)

(1) Rule 8(2)—

Repeal

"\$2,840"

Substitute

"\$3,170".

(2) Rule 8(2)—

Repeal

"\$3,170"

Substitute

"\$3,550".

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(3) Rule 8(2)—

Repeal

"\$3,550"

**Substitute** 

"\$3,970".

Geoffrey MA Chief Justice

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## **Explanatory Note**

The purpose of these Rules is to amend rule 8(2) of the Adoption Rules (Cap. 290 sub. leg. A) (*rule 8(2)*) and increase in three phases the fee payable under rule 8(2) to the Director of Social Welfare for their acting as the guardian ad litem of an infant.

- 2. From 1 June 2015, the fee will increase from \$2,840 to \$3,170 (first adjusted fee).
- 3. From 1 June 2016, the first adjusted fee will increase to \$3,550 (*second adjusted fee*).
- 4. From 1 June 2017, the second adjusted fee will increase to \$3,970.