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Travel Agents (Fee Concessions) Regulation 2016

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 50(2) of the Travel Agents Ordinance (Cap. 218) and section 29 of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1))

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on 20 November 2016.

2. Interpretation

In this Regulation—

concession period (寬免期) means the 12 months beginning on 20 November 2016;

Fee Schedule (收費表) means the First Schedule to the principal Regulations;

principal Regulations (《主體規例》) means the Travel Agents Regulations (Cap. 218 sub. leg. A).

3. Concessions on fees payable under principal Regulations

The fees payable under regulation 8(1) of the principal Regulations are subject to the concessions provided for in this Regulation.

4. Fee waived for application for licence

The fee specified in item 1 of the Fee Schedule is waived for an application for a licence made within the concession period.

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5. Fee waived for licence or renewal of licence

- (1) The fee specified in item 2 of the Fee Schedule is waived for a licence if the term of the licence begins within the concession period.
- (2) The fee specified in item 2 of the Fee Schedule is waived for the renewal of a licence if the renewed term of the licence begins within the concession period.
- (3) However, the total amount of fees waived under this section for a licence and its renewal within the concession period (whether renewed for one or more times) is subject to a maximum amount of \$5,820.

6. Fee waived for amending licence for additional address

The fee specified in item 4(a) of the Fee Schedule is waived for amending a licence to permit, from a date within the concession period, the carrying on of the business of a travel agent at an additional address.

7. Fee waived for issuing duplicate of licence

- (1) The fee specified in item 5 of the Fee Schedule is waived for issuing a duplicate of a licence under regulation 12(a) of the principal Regulations if the term or renewed term of the licence indicated on the duplicate begins within the concession period.
- (2) However, if a licence is amended to permit, from a date within the concession period, the carrying on of the business of a travel agent at an additional address as mentioned in regulation 12(b) of the principal Regulations, the fee specified in item 5 of the Fee Schedule is waived for issuing a duplicate of the licence for display at that address.

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation provides for concessions on certain fees payable in relation to a travel agent's licence under the Travel Agents Regulations (Cap. 218 sub. leg. A) within the 12 months beginning on 20 November 2016.