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ESTATE AGENTS (LICENSING) (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) REGULATION 2009

(Made by the Estate Agents Authority, with the approval of the Secretary for Transport and Housing, under section 56 of the Estate Agents Ordinance (Cap. 511))

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on 7 December 2009.

2. Educational qualifications and experience for licensees

(1) Section 7(1)(ac) of the Estate Agents (Licensing) Regulation (Cap. 511 sub. leg. A) is amended by repealing everything after "complies" and substituting—

"with—

- (i) the requirements mentioned in subsection (4C); or
- (ii) the requirements mentioned in subsection (4CA); or".
- (2) Section 7(4C) is amended by repealing "subsection (1)(ac)" and substituting "subsection (1)(ac)(i)".
 - (3) Section 7 is amended by adding—
 - "(4CA) The requirements referred to in subsection (1)(ac)(ii) are the applicant—
 - (a) holds a CIREA Certificate; and
 - (b) has completed the training course provided under subsection (4CB)(a) and has, within 12 months immediately before the date of the application, passed the examination set under subsection (4CB)(b).

(4CB) The Authority—

- (a) may provide a training course to a holder of a CIREA Certificate on the subjects of the examination set under paragraph (b); and
- (b) may set an examination for a holder of a CIREA Certificate to test the holder's competence in doing estate agency work in Hong Kong.".
- (4) Section 7(5) is amended, in the Chinese text, in paragraph (b) of the definition of "符合有關條件", by repealing the full stop and substituting a semicolon.

(5) Section 7(5) is amended by adding—
""CIREA Certificate" (學會註冊證) means a certificate of registration for real estate agents issued by the China Institute of Real Estate Appraisers and Agents;".

Vivien CHAN Chairman, Estate Agents Authority

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation amends the Estate Agents (Licensing) Regulation (Cap. 511 sub. leg. A) so that the Estate Agents Authority may grant an estate agent's licence to a person who holds a certificate of registration for real estate agents issued by the China Institute of Real Estate Appraisers and Agents after the person has completed the relevant training course and has passed the relevant examination.