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(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 3 of the Post Office Ordinance (Cap. 98))

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on 1 February 2016.

2. Post Office Regulations amended

The Post Office Regulations (Cap. 98 sub. leg. A) are amended as set out in sections 3 to 18.

3. Regulation 11 repealed

Regulation 11—

Repeal the regulation.

4. Regulation 12 amended

(1) Regulation 12(1)—

Repeal

"\$2"

Substitute

"\$2.7".

(2) Regulation 12(1)—

Repeal

"\$16"

Substitute

"\$22".

5. Regulation 13 amended

(1) Regulation 13(1)(a)—

Repeal

"815"

Substitute

"890".

(2) Regulation 13(1)(a)—

Repeal

"625"

Substitute

"680".

(3) Regulation 13(1)(a)—

Repeal

"340"

Substitute

"370".

(4) Regulation 13(1)(b)—

Repeal

"400"

Substitute

"435".

(5) Regulation 13(1)(b)—

Repeal

"340"

Substitute

"370".

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(6) Regulation 13(1)(c)—

Repeal

"400"

Substitute

"435".

(7) Regulation 13(1)(c)—

Repeal

"340" (wherever appearing)

Substitute

"370".

(8) Regulation 13(4)(a)—

Repeal

"\$10"

Substitute

"\$30".

(9) Regulation 13(6)(b)—

Repeal

"\$40"

Substitute

"\$55".

(10) Regulation 13(6)(c)—

Repeal

"\$10"

Substitute

"\$30".

6. Regulation 14 amended

Regulation 14—

Repeal

"\$1.20" (wherever appearing)

Substitute

"\$1.50".

7. Regulation 15 repealed

Regulation 15—

Repeal the regulation.

8. Regulation 16A amended

Regulation 16A(1)—

Repeal

"\$12.5"

Substitute

"\$14".

9. Regulation 18 substituted

Regulation 18—

Repeal the regulation

Substitute

"18. (1) In this regulation—

cash on delivery parcel (代收貨價包裹) means a parcel that is sent by a person (sender) to another (recipient) with instructions that an amount (trade charge) is to be collected by the Postmaster General, on behalf of the sender, from the recipient on delivery.

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- (2) The trade charge for a cash on delivery parcel must not exceed \$1,200.
- (3) For each cash on delivery parcel, a special fee of \$12 is payable by the sender.
- (4) The recipient must pay the trade charge on collecting the parcel.".

10. Regulation 19 amended

(1) Regulation 19(2)(a)—

Repeal

"\$40"

Substitute

"\$50".

(2) Regulation 19(5)—

Repeal

"\$11"

Substitute

"\$14".

(3) Regulation 19(8)—

Repeal

"\$40,"

Substitute

"\$50".

11. Regulation 22 amended

Regulation 22—

Repeal

"\$14"

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Substitute

"\$19".

12. Regulation 23 amended

(1) Regulation 23(3)—

Repeal

everything after "a licence"

Substitute

"is \$150.".

(2) Regulation 23(5)—

Repeal

"50 cents"

Substitute

"70 cents".

(3) Regulation 23(6)—

Repeal

"or marked for express delivery".

13. Regulation 23A amended

(1) Regulation 23A(2)(a)—

Repeal

"written approval"

Substitute

"licence".

(2) Regulation 23A(2)(b)—

Repeal

"written approval"

Substitute

"licence".

(3) After regulation 23A(2)—

Add

"(2A) The fee for a licence is \$98.".

(4) Regulation 23A(3)—

Repeal

"written approval"

Substitute

"licence".

(5) Regulation 23A(4)—

Repeal

"approved"

Substitute

"licensed".

(6) Regulation 23A(4)—

Repeal

"60 cents"

Substitute

"80 cents".

(7) Regulation 23A(5)—

Repeal

"or marked for express delivery".

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(8) Regulation 23A(6)—

Repeal

"written approval"

Substitute

"licence".

14. Regulation 32 amended

(1) Regulation 32(a)—

Repeal

"\$125"

Substitute

"\$136".

(2) Regulation 32(a)—

Repeal

"\$375"

Substitute

"\$409".

(3) Regulation 32(b)—

Repeal

"12"

Substitute

"6".

(4) Regulation 32(b)—

Repeal

"\$315"

Substitute

"\$172".

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(5) Regulation 32(b)—

Repeal

"\$940"

Substitute

"\$512".

15. Regulations 33 and 34 repealed

Regulations 33 and 34—

Repeal the regulations.

16. Regulation 36 amended

(1) Regulation 36(1)—

Repeal

"outside Hong Kong".

(2) Regulation 36(2)—

Repeal

everything after "ordered"

Substitute

"by a customer outside Hong Kong is \$12.".

17. Regulation 37 repealed

Regulation 37—

Repeal the regulation.

18. Regulation 38 added

At the end of the Regulations—

Add

"38. Transitional provisions for Post Office (Amendment) Regulation 2015

- (1) In this regulation, a reference to a particular preamended regulation is a reference to that regulation as in force immediately before 1 February 2016.
- (2) A licence issued under the pre-amended regulation 23 and in force immediately before 1 February 2016 is to be treated as a licence issued under regulation 23.
- (3) A written approval given under the pre-amended regulation 23A and in force immediately before 1 February 2016 is to be treated as a licence issued under regulation 23A.".

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Explanatory Note

The purpose of this Regulation is to amend the Post Office Regulations (Cap. 98 sub. leg. A)—

- (a) by revising the fees for the Post Office's certain services:
- (b) by removing the references to certain fees;
- (c) by revising the service conditions of certain postal services; and
- (d) by requiring a licence (instead of written approval) to be obtained from the Postmaster General of Hong Kong for using the Freepost service and imposing a licence fee.