

L.N. 111 of 2019

**Travel Agents (Amendment) (Fee Concessions)
Regulation 2019**

(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

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), this Regulation comes into operation on 1 October 2019.
- (2) Section 4(2) comes into operation on 1 October 2020.

2. Travel Agents Regulations amended

The Travel Agents Regulations (Cap. 218 sub. leg. A) are amended as set out in sections 3 and 4.

3. Regulation 12A added

After regulation 12—

Add

“12A. Concessions on fees payable from October 2019 to September 2020

- (1) This regulation has effect despite regulations 8(1) and 12.
- (2) The fee specified in item 1 of the First Schedule is waived for an application for a licence made within the concession period.

- (3) Subject to paragraph (4), the fee specified in item 2 of the First Schedule is waived for a licence or the renewal of a licence if the term of the licence begins within the concession period.
- (4) The total amount of fees waived under paragraph (3) for a licence and its renewal (whether renewed on one or more occasions) must not exceed \$5,820.
- (5) The fee specified in item 4(a) of the First Schedule is waived for amending a licence to permit, from a date within the concession period, carrying on business at an additional address.
- (6) The fee specified in item 5 of the First Schedule is waived for issuing a duplicate of a licence under regulation 12(a) if the term of the licence indicated on the duplicate begins within the concession period.
- (7) If a licence is amended to permit, from a date within the concession period, carrying on business at an additional address as mentioned in regulation 12(b), the fee specified in item 5 of the First Schedule is waived for issuing a duplicate of the licence.
- (8) The fee specified in item 5 of the First Schedule is waived for issuing a duplicate of a licence under regulation 12(c) within the concession period.
- (9) In this regulation—

concession period (寬免期) means the period from 1 October 2019 to 30 September 2020 (both dates inclusive);

term of the licence (牌照有效期) means—

- (a) in relation to a licence—the period of validity of the licence; and

(b) in relation to a renewal of a licence—the period of validity of the renewed licence.

(10) This regulation expires at midnight on 30 September 2020.”.

4. First Schedule amended (fees)

(1) First Schedule—

Repeal

“& 12]”

Substitute

“, 12 & 12A]”.

(2) First Schedule—

Repeal

“, 12 & 12A]”

Substitute

“& 12]”.

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COUNCIL CHAMBER

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation amends the Travel Agents Regulations (Cap. 218 sub. leg. A) (*the principal Regulations*) to provide for concessions on certain fees payable in respect of a travel agent's licence under the principal Regulations within the period from October 2019 to September 2020.