

**Compulsory Quarantine of Certain Persons Arriving at Hong Kong
(Amendment)(No. 2) Regulation 2020 (Cap. 599C)
Designation of exemption – Provision of Construction-related
Professional Services in the Mainland**

Category of Persons for Exemption

- (a) **either** the owner of an enterprise with a valid business registration certificate issued under the Business Registration Ordinance (Cap. 310) and with provision of construction-related professional services¹ in the Mainland and up to one personnel employed and so authorised by the enterprise; **or**
- (b) up to two personnel employed and so authorised by such an enterprise as described in (a).

Validity Period of Exemption

From 13 May 2020, until section 4(1)(b) of Cap. 599C expires.

Administrative Arrangement

Once approval is given to the above additional category of exempted persons, the departments set out in the Table 1 below will process the applications from related professional services received, including consulting the relevant trade associations/ professional institutes as well as the relevant bureaus/departments where necessary.

Table 1

Processing Department	Professional Services	Trade Association/ Professional Institute
Architectural Services Department	Architectural, landscape architectural, structural engineering or quantity surveying services	- The Association of Architectural Practices - The Hong Kong Institute of Architects

¹ Construction-related professional services cover architectural, engineering, landscape architectural, surveying and town planning services.

Processing Department	Professional Services	Trade Association/ Professional Institute
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Association of Landscape Consultants - The Hong Kong Institute of Landscape Architects - The Association of Consulting Engineers of Hong Kong - The Association of Registered Engineering Consultants - The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers - The Association of Consultant Quantity Surveyors - The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
Civil Engineering and Development Department	Civil or geotechnical engineering services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Association of Consulting Engineers of Hong Kong - The Association of Registered Engineering Consultants - The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers
Electrical and Mechanical Services Department	Electrical, mechanical, building services or electronic engineering services	Ditto
Planning Department	Town planning services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Hong Kong Institute of Planners
Lands Department	Surveying services (other than quantity surveying services)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Professional Building Surveying Consultants Association of Hong Kong

Processing Department	Professional Services	Trade Association/ Professional Institute
		- The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors

Once verified and endorsed, the DEVB's Departments will issue an authorisation letter to each of the successful applicants, setting out the details of exemption and the conditions.

Information and Supporting Documents to be submitted by Applicants

- (a) Application form setting out the personal particulars of the applicants, enterprise names, post titles and contact information, as well as the reasons for the need to travel to the Mainland;
- (b) Affiliated trade association(s)/ professional institute(s);
- (c) Copy of Hong Kong Identification Card or Passport;
- (d) Copy of Business Registration Certificate;
- (e) Information about the construction-related professional services required in the Mainland (e.g. address, nature of the work, duration in the Mainland);
- (f) Each applicant must declare that he/she is only travelling to the Mainland, to support the provision of construction-related professional services of his/her company in the Mainland;
- (g) Each applicant must declare that he/she will only travel to and stay in the city where the provision of construction-related professional services is required; and
- (h) Each applicant must declare that he/she will take every precautionary measure to ensure personal hygiene and avoid unnecessary social contact whilst in the Mainland.

Conditions for Exemption

An exempted person must only travel to and stay in the area/city where the construction-related professional services are provided for the purpose of provision of the intended construction-related professional services as

approved, and must take every precautionary measure to ensure personal hygiene and avoid unnecessary social contact. After returning to Hong Kong, the exempted person will be subject to medical surveillance arranged by the Department of Health (DH) for a period of 14 days. The person will be required to wear masks and check body temperature daily, and report to the DH on any discomfort.

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