

Enhancement measures regarding admission schemes/policies or stay arrangements implemented by the Immigration Department since 28 December 2022 are tabulated as follows:

Admission scheme/policy or stay arrangement	Enhancement measures
General Employment Policy (GEP) and Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals (ASMTP)	If the post offered falls under the 13 Industry Segments and Occupations that Hong Kong needs most as listed in the Talent List, or the annual salary for the vacancy is HK\$2 million or above, employers are not required to provide proof to substantiate their difficulties in local recruitment.
Immigration Arrangements for Non-local Graduates (IANG)	The scope of the existing arrangements has been expanded to cover persons who have obtained an undergraduate or higher qualification in a full-time programme offered by a higher education institution in the Mainland cities of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area jointly established by universities of the Mainland and Hong Kong. This arrangement is introduced on a trial basis for a period of two years.
Quality Migrant Admission Scheme (QMAS)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. With effect from 1 January 2023, the annual quota has been suspended for a period of two years.</li> <li>2. Meanwhile, the General Points Test has been adjusted with greater weighting given to the applicant's work experience. Applicants with not less than three years' work experience in multi-national companies or reputable enterprises will be awarded 20 additional points.</li> </ol>
Technology Talent Admission Scheme (TechTAS)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In addition to the existing 13 specified technology areas, a new technology area in "Quantum Technology" has been introduced.</li> <li>2. The requirement for technology firms to employ additional local employees while admitting talents outside Hong Kong under the TechTAS has been lifted, and the validity period for the quota granted has also been extended from 12 months to 24 months.</li> </ol>

<p>Limit of stay</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Talents admitted to Hong Kong under the existing talent admission schemes may be granted a longer limit of stay upon first entry with a view to encouraging them to stay in Hong Kong for long-term development.</li> <li>2. Stay patterns have been relaxed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2.1 For the GEP, the ASMTP, the TechTAS and the QMAS: from 2-3-3 years to 3-3-2 years. Top-tier talents successfully permitted to stay in Hong Kong will subsequently follow a revised stay pattern of 3-5 years.</li> <li>2.2 For the IANG and the Admission Scheme for the Second Generation of Chinese Hong Kong Permanent Residents: from 1-2-2-3 years to 2-3-3 years. The top-tier employment stream is now applicable to talents admitted under these two schemes. Top-tier talents successfully permitted to stay in Hong Kong will subsequently follow a stay pattern of 2-6 years.</li> <li>2.3 For the Top Talent Pass Scheme: persons admitted may extend their stay in Hong Kong on a pattern of 2-3-3 years. Top-tier talents successfully permitted to stay in Hong Kong may apply for extension of stay on a pattern of 2-6 years.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
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