

IMPORTANT

香港旅遊業議會 TRAVEL INDUSTRY COUNCIL OF HONG KONG

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DIRECTIVE

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Exemption from assigning Tourist Guide Pass holders to provide "point-to-point" transfer services
Resolution No. 158

(Directive category: Inbound)

In view of members' concern that Tourist Guide Pass holders are often not enough for large-scale conventions or exhibitions, the Board of Directors resolved at its 17 April 2007 meeting that:

Members may apply for exemption from assigning Tourist Guide Pass holders to provide transfer services if such services satisfy the following three conditions:

- (1) they are provided for tour groups which come to Hong Kong for large-scale conventions or exhibitions, rather than for ordinary sightseeing;
- (2) they are provided for such a tour group with at least 30 people; and
- (3) they are confined to "point-to-point" transfers, e.g. from land/sea/air control points to hotels/venues of conventions or exhibitions.

Please refer to the enclosures for details of the exemption and the application form.

This Directive takes immediate effect. Violation of this directive will be subject to penalties laid down in Articles 11(3)(a) and 11(3)(b) of the TIC's Articles of Association.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
TRAVEL INDUSTRY COUNCIL OF HONG KONG

Joseph Tung

Executive Director

Encl.

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1. Exemption

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2. Verification

- (1) Members shall apply to the TIC Executive Office for exemption at least three days before such services are provided.
- (2) Members shall submit the following documents to prove that the conditions for exemption are met:
 - (a) copies of the contract/confirmation of reception services signed with the overseas/mainland travel agent; and
 - (b) details of the transfer services to be provided.
- (3) All applications are processed individually. Members may be requested to submit the originals of the relevant documents for verification should there be a need. The overseas/mainland travel agent may be contacted for verification of the information provided by the members.
- (4) After verifying the documents, the TIC Executive Office will notify the members in writing of its decision of whether exemption is granted or not.
- (5) Members will be disqualified from applying for exemption should they provide false information or submit fake documents. Such cases will be referred to the Compliance Committee and law-enforcement agencies for action.

3. Appeal

Members may appeal to the Appeal Board in accordance with established procedures if their application is rejected.

豁免委派持證導遊接送旅客之申請表格

Application form for exemption from assigning Tourist Guide Pass holders to provide transfer services

旅行社名稱 Name of travel	agent:				
旅行社牌照號碼 Licence n	o. of travel ag	gent:			
旅行社聯絡人 Contact pers	on of travel a	gent:_			
旅行社聯絡電話 Tel. of tra	vel agent: _		傳真號碼 Fax no.:		
會議/展覽名稱 Name of co	nvention/exh	ibition:			
會議/展覽地點 Venue of convention/exhibition:			日期 Date:		
接待團隊人數 No. of tour members:			(不能少於三十人,並須提供客人名單) (At least 30 people, with names provided)		
隨團工作人員姓名 Name o	of staff accom	panying	the tour:		
入境日期 Date of arrival:		日/月/年 _D/M/Y	離境日期 Date of departure:	日/月/年 D/M/Y	
Kong Convention and Exhib	香港會議展 pition Centre	• 覽中心。	For example, from the airport to ain date.)	o the Hong	
日期 Date	∄ From		往 To		
		学明 Decl	aration		
會取消申請。	ormation prov	vided in t	供失實或不正確之資料,本人 his form is true and correct. If so squalify me.		
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簽名(須由已向議會登記的 Signature (by authorised per					
負責人姓名 Name of autho	rised person	:			
日期 Date:					

(如有需要,旅遊業議會有權要求旅行社提供相關資料,以便核實申請。 The TIC may require the travel agent to provide relevant information for verification if there is a need.)