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Relevant Sections of Architects Registration Ordinance (Cap. 408)

Section 12 Form of register

- (3) A person whose name is entered in the register shall within 28 days notify the Registrar of any change in the particulars prescribed by subsection (1).

Section 13 Qualifications for registration

- (1) The Board shall not register a person as a registered architect unless-
- (c) he is ordinarily resident in Hong Kong; and
 - (d) he is not the subject of an inquiry committee or a disciplinary order under Part IV which precludes him from being registered under this Ordinance; and
- (2) Without limiting the effect of subsection (1)(f), the Board may refuse to register a person as a registered architect who-
- (a) has been convicted in Hong Kong or elsewhere of any offence which may bring the profession into disrepute and sentenced to imprisonment, whether suspended or not; or
 - (b) has committed misconduct or neglect in a professional respect.

Section 16 Expiry of registration and renewal

- (2) A registered architect shall apply for renewal of registration to the Registrar in the form specified by the Board not earlier than 3 months and not later than 28 days prior to the expiry of the current registration.
- (5) The Board may reject an application for renewal if it is satisfied that the applicant does not continue to comply with the requirements for registration set out in section 13.
- (6) Where a registered architect fails to renew his registration within time, the Board may extend time for renewal of registration if the registered architect pays to the Board the fee for the extension of time.
- (7) Any grant of extension of time by the Board shall not affect any offence under any other Ordinance that the person who has failed to renew on time may commit as a result of that failure.
- (8) If the registration of a registered architect has expired, the Board may require him to reapply for registration instead of renewing his registration.

Section 20 Removal of name from the register

- (1) The Registrar may remove the name of a registered architect from the register if he has notice that the registered architect has --
- (c) in the opinion of the Board, ceased to be ordinarily resident in Hong Kong;
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1)(c), if a registered architect has failed to reside in Hong Kong for a period of 2 years or more, the Board shall not consider him to be ordinarily resident in Hong Kong.

Section 22 Inquiry Committee and rules of conduct

- (1) The Board may refer any complaint concerning a disciplinary offence to an inquiry committee for decision, and for that purpose the Board may establish an inquiry committee of not less than 3 members of the Institute to determine whether or not the registered architect against whom the complaint is made has committed a disciplinary offence.

Guidance Notes on Ordinary Residence under Immigration Ordinance (Chapter 115)

A person is ordinarily resident in Hong Kong if;

He remains in Hong Kong legally, voluntarily and for a settled purpose (such as for education, employment or residence), whether of short or long duration. That status does not change if he is temporarily absent from Hong Kong.

Whether or not he has ceased to be ordinarily resident in Hong Kong is determined by his circumstances and those of his absence.

The circumstances may include:

- 1) the reason, duration and frequency of any absence from Hong Kong;
- 2) whether he has habitual residence in Hong Kong;
- 3) whether he is employed by a Hong Kong based company; and
- 4) the whereabouts of the principal members of his family (spouse and minor children).

A person shall not be treated as ordinarily resident in Hong Kong

- (a) During any period in which he remains in Hong Kong
 - 1) with or without the authority of the Director, after landing unlawfully; or
 - 2) in contravention of any condition of stay; or
 - 3) as a refugee or while in detention pending determination of refugee status or removal; or
 - 4) while employed as a contract worker from outside Hong Kong under a Government importation of labour scheme; or
 - 5) while employed as a domestic helper from outside Hong Kong; or
 - 6) as a member of a consular post within the meaning of the Consular Relations Ordinance; or
 - 7) as a member of the Hong Kong Garrison; or
 - 8) as the holder of a prescribed Central People's Government travel document; or
- b) During any period of imprisonment or detention pursuant to the sentence or order of any court.