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CIRCULAR 25-73 (SD)

3 February 2025

25-73 (SD) REVIEW OF OUTDATED PRACTICE DIRECTION P ("PDP") AND ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING ("AML") CIRCULARS

- 1. In January 2025, the Law Society of Hong Kong completed a review of existing Circulars pertaining to the AML regime. The review identified several Circulars that had been either already superseded or outdated due to subsequent amendments to the Practice Direction P ("PDP"). Consequently, these Circulars no longer reflect the current regulatory environment and are hereby superseded by this Circular.
- 2. The following Circulars have been superseded and are no longer in effect:

No.	Date of Issue	Circular Number	Explanation for Supersession
1.	4 February 2008	08-49 (SD)	In September 2022, The Law Society launched a new AML website providing upto-date information, training materials, and AML learning resources. The AML website can be accessed by clicking here .
2.	5 February 2008	08-59 (SD)	In effect superseded by Circulars 18 - 603(SD), 18-647(SD) and 23-310 (SD)
3.	30 June 2008	08-361 (SD)	In effect superseded by Circulars 18 - 603(SD), 18-647(SD) and 23-310 (SD)
4.	30 June 2008	08-362 (SD)	In effect superseded by Circulars 18 - 603(SD), 18-647(SD) and 23-310 (SD)
5.	1 December 2008	08-756 (SD)	In effect superseded by Circulars 18 - 603(SD), 18-647(SD) and 23-310 (SD)
6.	1 December 2008	08-757 (SD)	In effect superseded by Circulars 18 - 603(SD), 18-647(SD) and 23-310 (SD)

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7.	13 March 2017	17-167 (SD)	In effect superseded by Circulars 18 - 603(SD), 18-647(SD) and 23-310 (SD)
8.	13 March 2017	17-168 (SD)	In effect superseded by Circulars 18 - 603(SD), 18-647(SD) and 23-310 (SD) retrospectively
9.	3 September 2018	18-679 (SD)	In effect superseded by Circular 23-310 (SD)

- 3. Please click <u>here</u> for the latest version of the PDP, effective from 1 June 2023, and <u>Circular 23-310 (SD)</u>, which details the subsequent amendments.
- 4. If you have any questions regarding this Circular, please contact the AML Head at the Law Society on 3958 2393 or by email at aml@hklawsoc.org.hk.