
14. Practising Certificate (Solicitors) Rules

ARRANGEMENT OF RULES

Rule

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1. Citation

These rules may be cited as the Practising Certificate (Solicitors) Rules.

2. Application for practising certificates

An application by a solicitor under section 6 of the Ordinance for a practising certificate shall be in Form 1 in the Schedule.

3. Fee for practising certificate

When an application for a practising certificate is lodged with the Society, there shall at the same time be paid to the Society—

- (a) in relation to a practising certificate for a period not exceeding one calendar year and ending on 31 December 2020 — a fee of \$6,500;
- (b) in relation to a practising certificate for a period not exceeding one calendar year and ending on 31 December 2021 — a fee of \$1,950;
- (c) in relation to a practising certificate for a period not exceeding one calendar year and ending on or after 31 December 2022 — a fee of \$6,500.

3A. Fee for first practising certificate

Notwithstanding rule 3, in the case of an application by a solicitor to whom a practising certificate has never been issued under section 6 of the Ordinance, for the issue to him of his first practising certificate for any period from 1 October to 31 December inclusive in any year, the fee to be paid to the Society shall be one half of the amount of fee specified in rule 3.

4. Form of practising certificate

A practising certificate shall be in Form 2 in the Schedule.

SCHEDULE

FORM 1

[rule 2.]

THE LAW SOCIETY OF HONG KONG

APPLICATION FOR PRACTISING CERTIFICATE

1. Name:

2. Address:
Office
Home

2A. Tick the appropriate box(es):

- My application comes within section 3 of the Practising Certificate (Special Conditions) Rules (Cap. 159 sub. leg. Y). I gave The Law Society of Hong Kong notice in writing of my intention to apply for a practising certificate not less than 6 weeks ago, namely on
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- My application comes within section 3 of the Practising Certificate (Special Conditions) Rules (Cap. 159 sub. leg. Y). I have not given The Law Society of Hong Kong any prior notice in writing of my intention to apply for a practising certificate.
- My application does not come within section 3 of the Practising Certificate (Special Conditions) Rules (Cap. 159 sub. leg. Y).

3. Tick **all** appropriate boxes:

I am engaged in private practice in Hong Kong:

- on my own account
- in partnership
- as an assistant solicitor
- as a consultant

I am employed:

- in commerce or industry
- as a law teacher
- by Government

4. State the details of all firms in which you are engaged in practice or by whom you are employed specifying your capacity with each firm and whether you are engaged full-time or part-time or other (please specify) in that capacity:

<u>FIRM</u>	<u>CAPACITY</u>	<u>FULL-TIME/ PART-TIME/ OTHER</u>
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Continue on a separate sheet if necessary. Please indicate if an additional sheet is annexed - YES/NO*

5.* If you have commenced or ceased to practise on your own account or in partnership in Hong Kong in the 12 months ending on 31 October immediately before your application, give details:

Name(s) of firm(s):

Date(s) of commencing / ceasing* practice:

6. Tick the appropriate box(es):

- I am engaged in private practice in respect of which an indemnity is maintained in accordance with the Solicitors (Professional Indemnity) Rules (Cap. 159 sub. leg. M).
- I am engaged in private practice and do not maintain an indemnity but have been granted a specific waiver by the Council.
- I am not engaged in private practice and only perform acts for which a general waiver has been granted by the Council.
- I am not engaged in private practice and am engaged in acts for which a specific exemption has been granted by the Council.

7. I apply for a practising certificate.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

* Delete if inapplicable.

FORM 2

[rule 4]

PRACTISING CERTIFICATE – SOLICITOR
執業證書—律師

LEGAL PRACTITIONERS ORDINANCE
(Chapter 159)
《法律執業者條例》
(第 159 章)

The Law Society of Hong Kong hereby certifies, in accordance with section 6 of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance, that, a Solicitor of the High Court of Hong Kong,
香港律師會現按照《法律執業者條例》第 6 條證明香港高等法院律師

has complied with that section and is therefore entitled to practise as such solicitor for the period from to
已符合該條的規定，因此有權由
至.....的期間執業為上述律師。

Conditions (if any):
條件(如有的話)為：

Dated this day of
日期：.....年.....月.....日

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Secretary,
The Law Society of Hong Kong
香港律師會秘書