

COMPANIES REGISTRY REGISTRY FOR TRUST AND COMPANY SERVICE PROVIDERS

# **DO NOT** Carry on a Trust or Company Service Business Without a Licence



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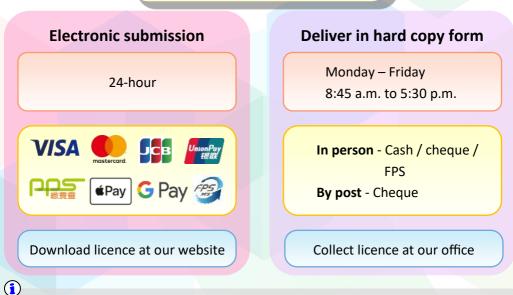
Fine up t<u>o HK\$100,000</u>



## Imprisonment up to 6 months

It is an offence under section 53F(1) of the Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorist Financing Ordinance (Cap. 615) to carry on a trust or company service business in Hong Kong without a Trust or Company Service Provider ("TCSP") licence.

## How to apply for a TCSP Licence?



Please refer to the Information Pamphlet "*Application for Licence by Trust or Company Service Providers*" for more information.

# I have just applied for a TCSP Licence, can I carry on trust or company service business now?



# NO!

You can only carry on trust or company service business AFTER you are granted a Licence.



# Who is required to apply for a TCSP Licence?

### **Providing Address**

Our company provides registered office, business address and correspondence address for my clients.



I am a landlord and carry on a business of leasing office or business premises to my tenants.

## **Acting as Company Secretary**

I am employed by a company and is appointed as the company secretary of the company.

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I provide service to companies by acting as their company secretary.

Required

The above examples are not exhaustive and for general information only. Please consider to seek independent legal or professional advice as you see fit.

#### How to ascertain whether a person is a TCSP licensee?



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Please refer to the Information Pamphlet "Inspection of the Register of Trust or Company Service Provider Licensees" for further information.

If I suspect that a person is carrying on a trust or company service business in Hong Kong without a licence, what can I do?

Report to the Registry for Trust and Company Service Providers



Please refer to the "Guideline on Licensing of Trust or Company Service Providers" for more information.