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EMPLOYMENT OF FOREIGN WORKERS ACT
(CHAPTER 91A)

EMPLOYMENT OF FOREIGN WORKERS (FEES)
REGULATIONS 2005

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 29 of the Employment of Foreign Workers Act, the Minister for Manpower hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Employment of Foreign Workers (Fees) Regulations 2005 and shall come into operation on 3rd October 2005.

Definition

2. In these Regulations, “fees” means the fees specified in the Schedule.

Fees payable to Controller

3. The fees shall be payable to the Controller.

Liability to pay fees

4. The fees shall be payable by the employer in such form and manner as the Controller may specify or require.

Time for payment of fees

- 5.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) —

- (a) the fee payable in respect of any application for a work permit or any application for the reinstatement of a work permit shall be paid at the time the application is made;
- (b) the fee payable in respect of any issue of a work permit shall be paid —
 - (i) where the Controller requires the fee to be paid by electronic means, upon the issue of the work permit; and
 - (ii) in any other case, within 14 days after the issue of the work permit; and
- (c) the fee payable in respect of any issue of a duplicate work permit shall be paid upon the issue of the duplicate work permit.

- (2) The Controller may extend the time for payment of any fee.

Recovery of fees

6. Any fee payable under these Regulations shall be recovered by the Controller, or any person duly authorised by the Controller to act on his behalf, as a debt due to the Government.

Refund of fees

- 7.—(1) Any employer who wishes to make a claim for a refund of any fee paid by him under these Regulations shall do so in writing to the Controller within 3 months from the date on which such fee was paid.

(2) The Controller may refund, in whole or in part, any fee paid under these Regulations —

- (a) on receiving any application under paragraph (1) for the refund of such fee; or
- (b) on his own accord.

Exemption from payment of fees

8.—(1) The Controller may exempt any employer or class of employers in whole or in part from the payment of any fee payable under these Regulations.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), an employer shall be exempted from the fee payable in respect of any issue of a work permit if —

- (a) at the request of the employer, the work permit is issued through an electronic service provided by the Controller; or
- (b) the Controller has not provided any electronic service for the issue of the work permit.

(3) Paragraph (2) shall not apply to any issue of a work permit designated by the Controller as an S Pass or, for the avoidance of doubt, any issue of a duplicate work permit.

Revocation

9. The Employment of Foreign Workers (Fees) Regulations (Rg 1) are revoked.

THE SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

FEES

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1. Application for a work permit	\$10
2. Issue of a work permit designated by the Controller as an S Pass	\$30 for each year or part thereof for which the work permit is issued

THE SCHEDULE — *continued*

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| 3. Issue of a work permit other than a work permit designated by the Controller as an S Pass | \$20 |
| 4. Application for reinstatement of a work permit following the suspension of that work permit | \$10 |
| 5. Issue of a duplicate work permit | \$30. |

Made this 28th day of September 2005.

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