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IMMIGRATION ACT (CHAPTER 133)

IMMIGRATION (AMENDMENT NO. 6) REGULATIONS 2006

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 55(1) of the Immigration Act, the Minister for Home Affairs hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Immigration (Amendment No. 6) Regulations 2006 and shall come into operation on 1st January 2007.

Amendment of regulation 8

- **2.** Regulation 8(1) of the Immigration Regulations (Rg 1) is amended
 - (a) by deleting the word "and" at the end of sub-paragraph (g); and
 - (b) by deleting the full-stop at the end of sub-paragraph (h) and substituting the word "; and", and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraph:
 - "(i) a personalised employment pass.".

New regulation 9A

3. The Immigration Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 9, the following regulation:

"Personalised employment pass

9A.—(1) A personalised employment pass may be issued by the Controller to any person, other than a prohibited immigrant,

who satisfies the Controller that he wishes to remain in Singapore (otherwise than as a visitor, tourist, transit passenger or student) in order to engage in any profession or occupation, or to take up employment with any company or firm, subject to these Regulations, the conditions of the pass and the requirements imposed by the Controller under paragraph (5).

- (2) A personalised employment pass shall authorise the holder thereof to remain in Singapore for such period as may be specified therein, subject to these Regulations, the conditions of the pass and the requirements imposed by the Controller under paragraph (5).
- (3) Subject to these Regulations, the Controller may from time to time extend the period of the validity of any personalised employment pass, or alter, add to or delete any conditions stated therein.
- (4) Every personalised employment pass issued to any person under paragraph (1) shall be subject to the condition that during the validity of the pass the holder shall notify the Controller, in such form and manner as the Controller may determine
 - (a) any change of his employer, or in his employment status, in or outside Singapore within 7 days after the change;
 - (b) any change in his contact details, including his home and work place addresses, within 7 days after the change;
 - (c) any change of the person (specified by the holder) who may be contacted by the Controller for any purpose in relation to his pass (referred to in this regulation as the contact person) within 7 days after the change;
 - (d) any change in the contact details, including home address, of the contact person within 7 days after becoming aware of the change; and
 - (e) his annual salary at the end of each calendar year within 30 days after the end of the calendar year.
- (5) The Controller may, from time to time, by notice in writing to the holder of a personalised employment pass impose such

requirements as the Controller considers appropriate and the holder of the pass shall comply with such requirements.

- (6) Any person who employs the holder of a personalised employment pass shall notify the Controller, in such form as the Controller may determine, of the commencement and the cessation of such employment within 7 days of that fact.
- (7) Every application for a personalised employment pass shall be
 - (a) made in such form as the Controller may require;
 - (b) supported by a declaration made by the applicant as to the truth of the statements contained in his application;
 - (c) supported by an undertaking from the applicant that he shall
 - (i) be responsible for the stay, maintenance and repatriation of himself, and all his dependants regardless of the types of passes issued to the dependants; and
 - (ii) indemnify the Government for any charges or expenses which may be incurred by the Government in respect of the repatriation of the applicant, or any of his dependants regardless of the type of pass issued to the dependant; and
 - (d) supported by such other documents as the Controller may require.
- (8) A personalised employment pass shall be in the form of an endorsement made in the passport or other travel document of the applicant or in any other form as the Controller may determine.
- (9) The holder of a personalised employment pass may, in such form and manner as the Controller may determine, apply to the Controller for the cancellation of his pass.
- (10) The holder of a personalised employment pass shall not remain in Singapore after the date of cancellation or expiry of his pass unless he is otherwise entitled to remain in Singapore under the provisions of the Act or any regulations made thereunder.".

Amendment of regulation 11

- **4.** Regulation 11(1) of the Immigration Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately after sub-paragraph (a), the following sub-paragraph:
 - "(aa) the holder of a personalised employment pass;".

Amendment of regulation 17

- **5.** Regulation 17 of the Immigration Regulations is amended
 - (a) by deleting the words "regulation 9," and substituting the words "regulation 9, 9A,"; and
 - (b) by inserting, immediately after the words "in these Regulations", the words "or the requirements imposed or determined by the Controller under these Regulations in relation to the pass".

Amendment of Third Schedule

6. The Third Schedule to the Immigration Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately after item 4, the following item:

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"4A. Personalised employment By endorsement on a $150".

pass — regulation 9A(8) passport or other travel document or as a separate document
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Miscellaneous amendments

7. The Immigration Regulations are amended by deleting the words "regulation 9," in the following provisions and substituting in each case the words "regulation 9, 9A,":

Regulations 18(1) and 19(1) and (3)(c).

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