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LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIPS ACT  
(CHAPTER 163A)

LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIPS (IDENTICAL  
NAMES) REGULATIONS 2015

ARRANGEMENT OF REGULATIONS

Regulation

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 56 of the Limited Liability Partnerships Act, the Minister for Finance makes the following Regulations:

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Limited Liability Partnerships (Identical Names) Regulations 2015 and come into operation on 3 January 2016.

**Identical names**

2.—(1) This regulation sets out the rules for determining whether a name is identical to —

- (a) the name of any other limited liability partnership, a limited partnership or a corporation, or to a registered business name, referred to in section 19A(1)(b) of the Act;
- (b) a name reserved under any of the provisions referred to in section 19A(1)(c) of the Act;
- (c) any name of a limited liability partnership, business name, name of a company, name of a foreign company or name of a

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limited partnership, referred to in section 19A(2) of the Act;  
and

(d) any name of a foreign company, or name of a limited partnership, referred to in section 19A(3) of the Act.

(2) Subject to paragraph (4), the following are to be disregarded:

(a) “The”, where it is the first word of a name;

(b) the following words where they appear at the end of a name:

(i) “Berhad” or “Bhd”;

(ii) “Limited” or “Ltd”;

(iii) “Limited Liability Partnership” or “LLP”;

(iv) “Limited Partnership” or “LP”;

(v) “Private” or “Pte”;

(vi) “Public Accounting Corporation” or “PAC”;

(vii) “Sendirian” or “Sdn”;

(c) the following words or expressions where they appear at the end of a name:

(i) “Asia”;

(ii) “Asia Pacific”;

(iii) “Associates”;

(iv) “company” or “and company”;

(v) “corporation”;

(vi) “Group”;

(vii) “Holding” or “Holdings”;

(viii) “Incorporated”;

(ix) “International”;

(x) “Partner” or “Partners”;

(xi) “Partnership” or “Partnerships”;

(xii) “Singapore”;

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- (xiii) “South Asia”;
  - (xiv) “South East Asia”;
  - (xv) “Trading”;
  - (xvi) “Worldwide”;
  - (xvii) “.co”;
  - (xviii) “.com”;
  - (xix) “.edu”;
  - (xx) “.gov”;
  - (xxi) “.net”;
  - (xxii) “.org”;
  - (xxiii) “.sg”;
- (d) any word or expression which, in the opinion of the Registrar, is intended to represent any word or expression in —
- (i) sub-paragraph (a) or (b); or
  - (ii) sub-paragraph (c);
- (e) the plural version of any name;
- (f) the type and case of letters, accents, spacing between letters, brackets, parentheses and punctuation marks.
- (3) The symbol “&” is to be treated as having the same meaning as the word “and”.
- (4) Paragraph (2)(c) and (d)(ii) does not apply if the relevant corporation —
- (a) will be a partner of the limited liability partnership in relation to which an application is made to register under a proposed name and signifies its consent to the use of the name by that limited liability partnership; or
  - (b) is a partner of the limited liability partnership in relation to which an application is made to change its name to a

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proposed name and signifies its consent to the use of the name by that limited liability partnership.

(5) In paragraph (4), “relevant corporation” means a corporation carrying on business or operating under a name which would be identical to a proposed name of a limited liability partnership after the application of the rules set out in paragraphs (2) and (3).

### **Revocation**

**3.** The Limited Liability Partnerships (Identical Names) Rules (R 1) are revoked.

Made on 21 December 2015.

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