

**Liberalisation Measures under Cross-border Services
(Positive List)**

Sectors or Sub-sectors	1. Business services
	A. Professional services
	d. Architectural services (CPC8671) e. Engineering services (CPC8672) f. Integrated engineering services (CPC8673) g. Urban planning and landscape architectural services (CPC8674) Including Construction engineering cost consulting services
Specific commitments	<p>1. To relax the requirement of residence in the Mainland for Hong Kong professional and technical staff by counting their period of residence in Hong Kong as equivalent to their period of residence in the Mainland.</p> <p>2. Hong Kong professionals, who have obtained Mainland's construction professional qualifications through mutual recognition, are allowed to register and practise in the Mainland and enjoy the same treatment as Mainland professionals having the same professional qualifications.</p> <p>3. Hong Kong professionals, who have obtained Mainland's registered urban planner qualification, are allowed to register in the Mainland regardless of whether they are registered in Hong Kong.</p>

	<p>4. Hong Kong professionals, who have obtained Mainland's supervision engineer qualification, are allowed to register in the Mainland regardless of whether they are registered practitioners in Hong Kong.</p> <p>5. Hong Kong professionals, who have obtained Mainland's supervision engineer qualification, are recognised as registered practitioners for the purpose of declaration of supervision enterprise qualifications within the Mainland, in accordance with the relevant Mainland regulations.</p> <p>6. Hong Kong professionals, who have obtained Mainland's class 1 registered architect qualification by mutual recognition, are allowed to register and practise in the Mainland regardless of whether they are registered practitioners in Hong Kong.</p> <p>7. Hong Kong professionals, who have obtained Mainland's class 1 registered architect qualification, are allowed to act as partners to set up construction and engineering design offices in the Mainland in accordance with the relevant qualification requirements. For these enterprises, there is no restriction on the ratio of the number of the Hong Kong partners to the number of the Mainland partners, the ratio of the total capital contributed by the Hong Kong partners to that by the Mainland partners, and the period of residence in the Mainland for the Hong Kong partners.</p>
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	<p>8. Hong Kong professionals, who have obtained Mainland's class 1 registered architect qualification through mutual recognition, are recognised as registered practitioners for the purpose of declaration of engineering design enterprise qualifications within the Mainland, in accordance with the relevant Mainland regulations.</p> <p>9. Hong Kong professionals, who have obtained through examination Mainland's registered architect qualification, are allowed to register and practise in the Mainland regardless of whether they are registered practitioners in Hong Kong. They are recognised as registered practitioners for the purpose of declaration of engineering design enterprise qualifications within the Mainland, in accordance with the relevant Mainland regulations.</p> <p>10. Hong Kong professionals, who have obtained Mainland's class 1 registered structural engineer qualification by mutual recognition, are allowed to register and practise in the Mainland regardless of whether they are registered practitioners in Hong Kong.</p>
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	<p>11. Hong Kong professionals, who have obtained Mainland's class 1 registered structural engineer qualification, are allowed to act as partners to set up construction and engineering design offices in the Mainland in accordance with the relevant qualification requirements. For these enterprises, there is no restriction on the ratio of the number of the Hong Kong partners to the number of the Mainland partners, the ratio of the total capital contributed by the Hong Kong partners to that by the Mainland partners, and the period of residence in the Mainland for the Hong Kong partners.</p> <p>12. Hong Kong professionals, who have obtained Mainland's class 1 registered structural engineer qualification through mutual recognition, are recognised as registered practitioners for the purpose of declaration of engineering design enterprise qualifications within the Mainland, in accordance with the relevant Mainland regulations.</p> <p>13. Hong Kong professionals, who have obtained through examination Mainland's registered structural engineer, registered civil engineer (harbour and waterway), registered public facility engineer, registered chemical engineer or registered electrical engineer qualification, are allowed to register and practise in the Mainland regardless of whether they are registered practitioners in Hong Kong. They are recognised as registered practitioners for the purpose of declaration of engineering design enterprise qualifications within Guangdong, Guangxi and Fujian, in accordance with the relevant Mainland regulations.</p>
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	<p>14. When Hong Kong service suppliers set up construction and engineering design enterprises in the Mainland, they are allowed to employ architects and structural engineers registered in Hong Kong (who have not yet obtained the relevant professional qualifications in the Mainland), who may be regarded as key professional and technical personnel, but not registered personnel, in assessing the enterprise qualifications (assessment of the qualifications for key professional and technical personnel is limited to their academic qualifications, years of practice in construction design, Hong Kong registration qualifications, performance and reputation in the construction design sector, etc. but not their titles).</p> <p>15. Regarding elective courses of the continuing education which Mainland's registered architects have to attend, Hong Kong service suppliers are allowed to complete elective courses in Hong Kong or to be taught by Mainland teachers in Hong Kong. The arrangement for conducting elective courses of the continuing education must be recognised by the Mainland authorities.</p>
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	<p>16. When foreign wholly-owned or joint-venture urban-rural planning enterprises declare their enterprise qualifications, Hong Kong professionals in their employment, who have obtained Mainland's registered planner qualification through mutual recognition, can be regarded as essential registered personnel during the assessment.</p> <p>17. Regarding the elective courses of continuing education which class 1 registered structural engineers have to take, Hong Kong service suppliers are allowed to complete the courses in Hong Kong or to be taught by teachers sent from the Mainland. The arrangements for taking the elective courses of continuing education are subject to the approval of the Mainland authorities.</p> <p>18. Regarding the elective courses of continuing education which supervision engineers have to take, Hong Kong service suppliers are allowed to complete all the courses in Shenzhen Municipality.</p> <p>19. Regarding the mandatory courses of continuing education for mutual recognition of professional qualifications, Hong Kong service suppliers are allowed to complete all the courses in Hong Kong.</p> <p>20. To allow contractual service providers employed by Hong Kong service suppliers, in the mode of movement of natural persons, to provide services under this sector or sub-sector in the Mainland.</p>
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	<p>21. To extend the scope of mutual recognition of qualifications; to renew the expired agreements for mutual recognition of professional qualifications, including agreements between structural engineers in Hong Kong and the Mainland, planners in Hong Kong and urban planners in the Mainland, building surveyors in Hong Kong and supervision engineers in the Mainland, and architects in Hong Kong and the Mainland.</p> <p>22. To arrange for mutual recognition of professional qualifications between architects, structural engineers and building surveyors of Hong Kong who possess the membership of professional institutions in Hong Kong, and architects, structural engineers, building surveyors of the Mainland who possess the membership of respective professional institutions in the Mainland.</p> <p>23. To allow professionals who obtained the qualification of General Practice Surveyors in Hong Kong to directly register for practice in Qianhai of Shenzhen, Hengqin of Zhuhai and Nansha of Guangzhou and enable them to provide real estate appraisal services without the need to obtain professional qualification in the Mainland through mutual recognition.</p>
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Sectors or Sub-sectors	1. Business services
	D. Real estate services
	b. Real estate services on a fee or contract basis (CPC822)
Specific commitments	To allow contractual service providers employed by Hong Kong service suppliers, in the mode of movement of natural persons, to provide services under this sector or sub-sector in the Mainland.

Sectors or Sub-sectors	3. Construction and related engineering services CPC511, 512, 513 ¹ , 514, 515, 516, 517, 518 ²
Specific commitments	<p>1. For Hong Kong service suppliers setting up construction enterprises in the Mainland, there will be no restriction on the proportion of Hong Kong permanent residents being project managers accredited by the qualification administration authorities.</p> <p>2. From the signing date of CEPA Supplement VI and before promulgation of the new "Standards for the Qualifications of Construction Enterprises", the recognition policy of the then-Ministry of Construction for Hong Kong Project Managers concerning the qualification assessment of Hong Kong-invested construction enterprises in the Mainland remains unchanged. The recognition of Hong Kong Project Managers remains valid for the purpose of qualification administration of such enterprises employing them originally.</p> <p>3. After promulgation of the new "Standards for the Qualifications of Construction Enterprises", the originally recognized Hong Kong Project Managers are allowed to continue to act as Project Managers of projects that they contracted or have commenced construction before promulgation of the standards, until completion.</p>

¹ Including dredging services relating to infrastructure construction.

² The coverage is limited only to the rental and leasing services of construction and/or demolition equipment (with operators) which are owned and used by foreign construction enterprises in the course of providing services.

	<p>4. The residency requirement is waived for Hong Kong permanent residents employed as engineering technical staff and economic managerial staff in construction enterprises in the Mainland set up by Hong Kong service suppliers.</p> <p>5. To allow contractual service providers employed by Hong Kong service suppliers, in the mode of movement of natural persons, to provide services under this sector or sub-sector in the Mainland.</p>
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Others	Professional and technical personnel qualification Examinations ¹
Specific commitments	<p>1. To allow eligible Hong Kong residents to take the following qualification examinations for professionals and technicians in the Mainland: registered architect, registered structural engineer, registered civil engineer (geotechnical), construction supervising engineer, cost engineer, registered town planner, estate agent, registered fire engineers, certified safety engineer, registered nuclear safety engineer, constructor, registered public facility engineer, registered chemical engineer, registered civil engineer (harbour and waterway), registered facility supervising engineer, registered land surveying and design engineers, cost evaluator, enterprise legal consultant, cotton quality examiner, auctioneer, medical practitioner specialized in public health, practising pharmacist, environmental impact assessment engineer, real estate appraiser, registered electrical engineer, tax agent, certified public valuer, prosthetist and orthotist, mining rights assessor, registered consulting engineer (investment), international business, land registration agent, gemstone quality examiner; quality, translation, computing technology and software, auditing, health, economic, statistics, accountant professional, communications professional qualification. Certificates of the relevant professional qualifications will be issued to those who pass the examination.</p>

¹ Examination subjects in the List may change according to the State's abatement of certification of vocational qualifications and approvals of job requirements. Specific subject(s) announced by the State Council shall prevail.

	<p>2. To allow eligible Hong Kong permanent residents to take the qualification examination for land surveyors in the Mainland, and a qualification certificate will be issued to those who pass the examination.</p> <p>3. To allow eligible Hong Kong residents to apply in the Guangdong Province to take the qualification examination for veterinary practitioners in the whole Mainland, and a corresponding qualification certificate will be issued to those who pass the examination.</p>
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