

Revision of textile-related fees

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The Hong Kong Import and Export (Fees) (Amendment) Regulation 2011, published 28 October 2011, has proposed adjustments to certain textile-related fees and charges and is expected to be implemented on 23 December 2011, subject to completion of the legislative process. The Hong Kong Trade and Industry Department ("TID") will make a further announcement to confirm the implementation date of these revised fees later in the year and existing fees for all textiles related services will apply until further notice.

A summary of the proposed adjustments is provided below:

Type of services	Existing fee (HK\$)	Proposed new fee (HK\$)
Annual registration fee for Textiles Trader Registration Scheme (TTRS)	718	349
Handling fee for import notification of export notification lodged on paper under TTRS ¹	3.8	2.9
Production Notification (PN) for cut and sewn garments lodged electronically ²	41	47

- ¹ A printing charge currently at HK\$0.5 will be payable for each paper notification form in addition to the handling fee
- ² This is the processing fee charged by the Hong Kong Government (excluding electronic message fee charged by the service provider, Tradelink Electronic Commerce Limited). In addition, the fee for PN lodged on paper will be adjusted from \$57 to \$66. The paper mode is reserved for contingency situations (e.g. computer breakdown).

The new fees will apply to all TTRS applicants (including new and renewal applications) with effect from the implementation date.

Fees for consignment specific Export License (Textiles) Form 4 (TIC 353) and Import License (Textiles) Form 7 (TRA 23) will remain unchanged at HK\$44 and HK\$45 respectively.



Further information can be found on the Hong Kong Trade and Industry Department website:

www.tid.gov.hk/english/aboutus/tradecircular/all_in_one/2011/as092011.html