

Quality Migrant Admission Scheme (QMAS)

(1) Introduction

The Scheme is a quota-based entrant scheme. It seeks to attract highly skilled or talented persons to settle in Hong Kong in order to enhance Hong Kong's economic competitiveness. Successful applicants are not required to have secured an offer of local employment before their entry to Hong Kong for settlement. All applicants are required to fulfill a set of prerequisites before they can be awarded points under one of the two points-based tests, namely the General Points Test and Achievement-based Points Test, and compete for quota allocation with other applicants. Successful applicants under the Scheme may bring their spouse and unmarried dependant children under the age of 18 to Hong Kong.

(2) Eligibility Criteria

All applicants must satisfy all of the following prerequisites:

1. The applicant must be aged 18 or above when lodging an application under the Scheme.
2. The applicant must be able to demonstrate that he/she is capable of supporting and accommodating himself/herself and his/her dependants, if any, on his/her own financial resources without relying on public assistance during his/her stay in Hong Kong.
3. The applicant should not have any criminal record or adverse immigration record in Hong Kong or elsewhere
4. The applicant should be proficient in written and spoken Chinese (Putonghua or Cantonese) or English.
5. The applicant must have a good education background, normally a first degree from a recognized university or a tertiary educational institution. In special circumstances, good technical qualifications, proven professional abilities and/or experience and achievements supported by documentary evidence may be considered.

(3) Process

1、 Acknowledgement of Application received	In general, it takes about a week to receive an acknowledgement letter after the application received.
2、 Selection Process	In general, it will process the applications once per three months.
3、 Announcement of the result of Selection	The result of each selection process will be announced on the website of the Immigration Department within 15 working days after the quota is allocated
4、 Issue of Principal Approval Letter	Applicants who have been allocated will be invited to attend the interview in Hong Kong within three months
5、 Issue of Visa/Entry Permit	Successful applicants will usually receive a visa/entry permit within one week after all the original documents are verified completely.

(4) Points-based test

Applicants who have met all the prerequisites may choose to be assessed either under the General Points Test or Achievement-based Points Test.

- General Points Test (Maximum 245 Points)

There are six point-scoring factors under the General Points Test. A minimum passing mark is set under the General Points Test and is subject to change from time to time without prior notice. Details of the General Points Test's calculation, please refer to Page 4 - 5.

- Achievement-based Points Test

The Scheme also caters for the entry of individuals with exceptional talent or skill who have outstanding achievements. They may choose to be assessed under a separate Achievement-based Points Test. Requirement under this test is very high. Those who are considered to have met one of the criteria under this test listed in the following paragraph will be awarded 245 points; otherwise, no point will be awarded. Applications which fail to score points under this test will be refused immediately.

Points may be awarded under this test if:

- i. the applicant has received an award of exceptional achievement (e.g. Olympic medals, Nobel prize, national/international awards); or
- ii. the applicant can show that his/her work has been acknowledged by his/her peers or has contributed significantly to the development of his/her field (e.g. lifetime achievement award from industry)

(5) Charges

For details, welcome to contact our company.

(6) Application time

It will take about 8-9 months from the submission of the documents.

General Points Test

	Factors	Points	Claimed Points
1	Age (Maximum 30 points)		
	18-39	30	
	40-44	20	
	45-50	15	
	51 or above	0	
2	Academic/Professional Qualifications (Maximum 70 points)		
	Doctoral Degree / Two or more master's degrees	40	
	Master's Degree / Two or more bachelor's degrees	20	
	Bachelor's Degree / Professional Qualification awarded by a nationally or internationally recognized or acclaimed professional body which demonstrates that the holder has a very high level of technical expertise or skill	10	
	Additional points if a degree at bachelor level or higher is awarded by a renowned institution recognized internationally (Note ¹)	30	
3	Work Experience (Maximum 75 points)		
	Not less than 10 years' graduate or specialist level work experience, including at least 5 years in a senior role	40	
	Not less than 5 years' graduate or specialist level work experience, including at least 2 years in a senior role	30	
	Not less than 5 years' graduate or specialist level work experience	15	
	Not less than 2 years' graduate or specialist level work experience	5	
	Additional points for not less than 2 years' graduate or specialist level work experience with international exposure (Note ²)	15	
	Additional points for not less than 3 years' graduate or specialist level work experience in multi-national companies (MNCs) or reputable enterprises, such as listed companies or companies on the lists of The Global 2000 by Forbes, the Fortune Global 500 and the Hurun China 500	20	
4	Talent List (Maximum 30 points) (Note ³)		
	Additional points if meeting the specifications of the respective profession under the Talent List	30	
5	Language Proficiency (Maximum 20 points)		
	Being proficient both in written and spoken Chinese (Putonghua or Cantonese) and English	20	
	Being proficient in at least one foreign language (written and spoken) in addition to written and spoken Chinese (Putonghua or Cantonese) or English	15	
	Being proficient in written and spoken Chinese (Putonghua or Cantonese) or English	10	
6	Family Background (Maximum 20 points)		
6.1	At least one immediate family member (married spouse, parents, siblings, children) is a Hong Kong permanent resident residing in Hong Kong (Note ⁴)	5	
6.2	Accompanying married spouse is educated to the equivalent level of a degree or above (Note ⁴)	5	
6.3	5 points for each accompanying unmarried dependent child under the age of 18, maximum 10 points	5 / 10	
		Maximum 245 Points	

Requirements for Documentations of Immigration Arrangements of Quality Migrant Admission Scheme (QMAS)

Q & A 【For Due Diligence Purpose】

Please answer the below questions by Applicant

1. Have you ever been denied of any Citizenship By Investment in any country ?
Have you ever been denied of a visa application in any country ?

Ans:

2. Did you changed your name ?

Ans:

3. Have you ever violated any law in any countries ?
Is there any record from the government department or court ?

Ans:

4. Did you holding any property ? (Whenever in anywhere)
If yes, please state the date of purchased, the present estimated values/ quantity ?

Ans:

5. Did you have any investment records ? (both personal & company owned)
Including: property, stocks, bonds, insurance, financial products (Whenever in any place)

Ans:

6. How much for your update cash flow ? (any place/ bank) Bank statement need provides 6 months or above record accordingly (Personal/ Company)

Ans:

7. How many nationalities owned ? (both previous & present)
Did you have any termination of nationality record ?

Ans:

8. Do you have any overseas working experience or records ?

Ans:

9. What is the level of English ? Beginner/ Intermediate / High ?

Ans:

10. The highest educational level/ certificate/ qualification / honour/ training ?

Ans:

11. Do you have any political parties record ? (Wherever in any place)

Ans:

12. Are you able to provide non-criminal record ?

Ans:

13. Do you have any company references ?

Ans:

14. Did you have any military services record ? (whenever in any countries)

Ans:

15. Do you have any special request ?

Ans:

Information required by local Hiring Company

Documents required by eligible Hong Kong company (applicable to the applicant company)

● Hong Kong company information

1. Company Operation Plan
2. Hong Kong Ltd company licenses, official seal (company partner, director and shareholder information)
3. Bank account statement - the past 6 months
4. Employment contract and MPF reference
5. Company lease contract or property prove
6. Latest company tax certificate (Audit Report) - if any
7. All relevant business supporting documents. For example, contracts (sales or purchases), commercial documents (invoices), transportation documents (any cargo receipt), company promotional documents (catalogue, brochure, samples),

company website, corporate partners information (if any), office photos (about 10 pcs), the office space (standard on 50 square meters or more)

8. Asset proof of the company (including property, vehicle, investments, insurance, etc.)
9. Patent invention and registration documents

● **China or Overseas company information: (if any, please provide)**

1. The Chinese & English name of the company;
2. Shareholders, Directors information (ie, Memorandum and Articles of Association);
3. Company license (full set);
4. Company lease contract or property prove;
5. Company profile (summary);
6. Annual return and Capital Registration Report issued by CPA;
7. Social security certificates for all employees (one year record, if any);
8. Bank account statement (one year);
9. All relevant business supporting documents. For example, contracts (sales or purchases), commercial documents (invoices), transportation documents (any cargo receipt), company promotional documents (catalogue, brochure, samples), company websites, corporate partner information (if any), office photos (approx. 10 pcs), the office space (standard on 70 square meters or more);
10. Asset proof of the company (including property, vehicle, investments, insurance, etc.);
11. Patented invention and registration documents

Forms and documents to be submitted by the applicant

1. Application form for Quality Migrant Admission Scheme ID(E)981 or ID(C)981
2. Applicant's recent photograph has been affixed on page One of the application
3. Photocopy of the applicant's valid travel document containing personal particulars, nationality (if any), residential status in your country of residence (if you are not a national of the country), re-entry visa to the country (if applicable) and date of issue, date of expiry of the travel documents and/or People's Republic of China resident identity card. (if applicable)
4. Photocopy of proofs of personal net worth
5. Photocopy of proofs of achievement
6. Photocopy of higher education graduation certificates
7. Original of transcript of academic record (for qualifications not awarded by higher education institutions in Mainland China); or Originals of verification report issued by China Academic Degrees and Graduate Education Development Centre (for qualifications awarded by higher education institutions in Mainland China)
8. Photocopy of professional qualification/ training/ membership certificates, (if any)
9. Detail relating to the professional qualification/ training/ membership claimed, (if applicable)
10. Photocopy of a reference letter from each employer;
Photocopy of company documents for each business owned;
Photocopy of evidence of self-employment experience
11. Photocopy of evidence on key career accomplishment/future plan, and other information provided in the section
12. Copy of language proficiency proof

The Updated Talent List

Summary List of 51 Professions / Occupations under 9 Industry Segments

<u>Business Support</u>	
1.	Experienced professionals in Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) (other than financial professionals)
<u>Creative Industries, Arts and Culture, Performing Arts</u>	
2.	Arts promoters
3.	Conservators for movable cultural heritage
4.	Creative industries professionals in publishing a) e-Publishing Web/UI Designer b) e-Publishing Analysis Programmer c) e-Publishing Programmer d) Publishing Manager
5.	Digital marketing and branding specialists
6.	Creative industries professionals in film a) Film producers b) Film directors c) Screenplay writers d) Leading actors/actresses e) Supporting actors/actresses f) Cinematographers g) Film editors h) Art directors i) Costume designers j) Action choreographers k) Film score composers l) Original song composers m) Sound designers n) Lyrics writers o) Visual effect supervisors
7.	Performing arts professionals in arts technology - (i) extended reality (“XR”), including virtual reality (“VR”); augmented reality (“AR”); mixed reality (“MR”) and substitutional reality (“SR”); (ii) artificial intelligence (“AI”), including machine learning, deep learning, natural language processing, data visualisation, (iii) sensors, (iv) holography; (v) avatar and virtual presence; (vi) real-time motion capture and animation; and (vii) drones and robots.

8.	Creative industries professionals in music a) Recording engineers b) Mastering engineers c) Cutting/pressing engineers for Vinyl LP
9.	Creative industries professionals in digital entertainment a) Game development experts b) Game producers
<u>Development and Construction</u>	
10.	Architectural professionals
11.	Civil and structural engineering professionals
12.	Building services engineering professionals
13.	Electrical and mechanical engineering professionals
14.	Building surveying professionals
15.	Quantity surveying professionals
16.	Land surveying professionals
17.	Landscape architectural professionals
18.	Town planning professionals
19.	Construction managers / builders
20.	Building Information Modelling (BIM) managers
<u>Environmental Technology Services</u>	
21.	Experienced waste treatment specialists / engineers
<u>Financial Services</u>	
22.	Experienced professionals in compliance in asset and wealth management
23.	Experienced management professionals in asset and wealth management
24.	Experienced financial professionals in Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG)
25.	Specialist insurance professionals
26.	Actuaries
27.	Experienced professionals in fintech
<u>Healthcare Services</u>	
28.	Doctors
29.	Dentists
30.	Dental hygienists
31.	Nurses
32.	Midwives

33.	Chinese medicine practitioners
34.	Pharmacists
35.	Occupational therapists
36.	Physiotherapists
37.	Medical laboratory technologists
38.	Optometrists
39.	Radiographers
40.	Chiropractors
<u>Innovation and Technology</u>	
41.	Experienced artificial intelligence (AI) specialists
42.	Experienced cloud infrastructure specialists
43.	Experienced Software Specialists
44.	Innovation and technology (I&T) Experts in, but not limited to, the following fields: (i) pharmaceutical and life science / biotechnology / medical and healthcare sciences; (ii) data engineering (e.g. data mining / data analytics), artificial intelligence, robotics, distributed ledger technologies, biometric technologies, industrial / chemical engineering, etc.;- (iii) material science / nanotechnology; (iv) microelectronics; (v) integrated circuit design; (vi) advanced communication technologies; (vii) quantum technology; (viii) Internet-of-Things; (ix) green technology; (x) new energy technology; (xi) aerospace technology; and (xii) advanced manufacturing
45.	Experienced data scientists
46.	Experienced cyber security specialists
<u>Legal and Dispute Resolution Services</u>	
47.	Dispute resolution professionals
48.	Legal professionals (other than dispute resolution professionals)
<u>Maritime Services</u>	
49.	Shipping finance professionals
50.	Marine superintendents
51.	Naval architects

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