Annex C

The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
Extraordinary General Meeting
18 July 2011

Proposed Amendments

Existing Provisions	Proposed Amendments to Provisions
CONSTITUTION	
5. GRADES OF MEMBERSHIP	
5.1 Membership of the Institute shall comprise:	
(c) the Technical Grade (“技術會員級”) consisting of Technical Associates (“技術協佐會員”); and	(c) the Technical Grade (“技術會員級”) consisting of Associate Members (“副會員”); and
(d) the Training Grade (“培訓會員級”) consisting of Probationers (“見習測量師”), Technical Trainees (“技術學員”) and Students (“學生”),	(d) the Training Grade (“培訓會員級”) consisting of Probationers (“見習測量師”) and Students (“學生”),
5.4 A member of the Institute except a member in the Training Grade shall be entitled to use the appropriate abbreviated designation after his name as follows:	
(d) A Technical Associate - TAHKIS	(d) An Associate Member - AMHKIS
6. STRUCTURE OF THE INSTITUTE	
6.4 Subject to the provisions of the Bye-Laws, the Institute shall have a Young Surveyors Group which shall comprise those Members and Technical Associates whose ages shall not exceed such age as the General Council may from time to time prescribe. All Probationers, Technical Trainees and Students will be attached to and may participate in the activities of the Young Surveyors Group.	6.4 Subject to the provisions of the Bye-Laws, the Institute shall have a Young Surveyors Group which shall comprise those Members and Associate Members whose ages shall not exceed such age as the General Council may from time to time prescribe. All Probationers and Students will be attached to and may participate in the activities of the Young Surveyors Group.
8. MEMBERSHIP OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL	
8.2 Notwithstanding clause 8.1, a member of the Technical Grade may be elected or nominated to be a member of the General Council for such periods and on such terms as to re-election or re-nomination and otherwise as may be prescribed by the Bye-Laws.	8.2 [DELETE]

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BYE-LAWS	
PART II - MEMBERSHIP	
Qualifications for Membership	
2.3 Professional Grade:	
Members	
2.3.5 Those persons who are at least 21 years of age and (a) have obtained either (i) a cognate graduate degree or equivalent as may be approved by the General Council from time to time as being of sufficient academic standard for entry to the profession; or (ii) a non-cognate but good graduate degree or equivalent as may be approved by the General Council from time to time as being of sufficient academic standard for entry to the profession and have after obtaining such degree been engaged in surveying practices for not less than five years; or (iii) technical membership of the Institute and have after obtaining such membership been engaged in surveying practices for not less than five years; and	2.3.5 Those persons who are at least 21 years of age and (a) have obtained either (i) [NO AMENDMENT REQUIRED] (ii) a non-cognate but relevant graduate degree or equivalent as may be approved by the General Council from time to time as being of sufficient academic standard for entry to the profession; or (iii) any other graduate degree and after having obtained such degree been engaged in surveying practices for not less than one year; or (iv) associate membership of the Institute; and

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(b) have undertaken a minimum of two years professional training of an approved nature in Hong Kong, or mainly in Hong Kong; and	(b) have undertaken a minimum of two years or, for candidates offering a qualification under Bye-Law 2.3.5(a)(ii), (iii) or (iv), three years professional training of an approved nature of Hong Kong surveying practice; and
(c) have undergone an Assessment of Professional Competence as may be determined by the Board of Education from time to time, which will also provide for a professional interview administered by the Board of Education,	(c) [NO AMENDMENT REQUIRED]
may be admitted as Members.	may be admitted as Members.
2.3.6 In the case of a candidate offering a qualification under Bye-Law 2.3.5(a) (ii), exemption from part of the Assessment of Professional Competence may be accorded depending on the extent and nature of professional training already acquired. In the case of exemption from the Assessment of Professional Competence a candidate will, nevertheless, be required to submit to the final assessment and a professional interview administered by the Board of Education.	2.3.6 [DELETE]
2.3.7 In determining what constitutes a recognized professional body, an approved or good academic qualification for the purpose of this Bye-Law, the General Council's decision shall be final.	2.3.7 In determining what constitutes a recognized professional body, an approved or relevant academic qualification for the purpose of this Bye-Law, the General Council's decision shall be final.
2.4 Technical Grade:	2.4 Technical Grade:
Technical Associates	*Associate Members*
2.4.1 Those persons who are at least 21 years of age who are technical members of such professional bodies as the General Council may recognize from time to time as being of equal status, and who have been engaged in the profession in Hong Kong at technical level	2.4.1 Those persons who are at least 21 years of age who are technical members of such professional bodies as the General Council may recognize from time to time as being of equal status, and who have been engaged in the profession in Hong Kong at technical level for a minimum of

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for a minimum of one year since attaining technical membership of the recognized professional body as aforesaid may be admitted as Technical Associates. The General Council may, at its discretion, require the candidate to submit to an assessment interview administered by the Board of Membership.	one year since attaining technical membership of the professional body as aforesaid may be admitted as Associate Members. The General Council may, at its discretion, require the candidate to submit to an assessment interview administered by the Board of Membership.
2.4.2 Those persons who are at least 21 years of age and	2.4.2 Those persons who are at least 21 years of age and
(a) have obtained either	(a) have obtained a cognate sub-degree or diploma or equivalent as may be approved by the General Council from time to time as being of sufficient academic standard for entry to the profession; and
(i) a cognate sub-degree or diploma or equivalent as may be approved by the General Council from time to time as being of sufficient academic standard for entry to the profession; or	(i) [DELETE]
(ii) a non-cognate but good sub-degree or diploma or equivalent as may be approved by the General Council from time to time as being of sufficient academic standard for entry to the profession and have been engaged in surveying practices at technical level for not less than five years; or	(ii) [DELETE]
(iii) a vocational qualification or equivalent as may be approved by the General Council from time to time as being relevant to the profession and have been engaged in surveying practices at technical level for not less than seven years; and	(iii) [DELETE]

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(b) have undertaken a minimum of two years technical training of an approved nature in Hong Kong, or mainly in Hong Kong; and (c) have undergone an Assessment of Technical Competence as may be determined by the Board of Education from time to time, which will also provide for an assessment interview administered by the Board of Education, may be admitted as Technical Associates.	(b) have undertaken technical training of an approved nature of Hong Kong surveying practice for a minimum of two years or such longer period as may be determined by the Board of Education for the respective academic qualification; and (c) have undergone the relevant stages of the Assessment of Professional Competence as may be determined by the Board of Education from time to time, which will also provide for an assessment interview administered by the Board of Education, may be admitted as Associate Members.
2.4.3 In the case of a candidate offering a qualification under Bye-Law 2.4.2(a)(ii) or 2.4.2(a)(iii), exemption from part of the Assessment of Technical Competence may be accorded depending on the extent and nature of technical training already acquired. In the case of exemption from the Assessment of Technical Competence a candidate will, nevertheless, be required to submit to the final assessment and an assessment interview administered by the Board of Education.	2.4.3 Those persons who are at least 21 years of age and (a) have obtained a qualification under Bye-Law 2.3.5(a)(i), 2.3.5(a)(ii) or 2.3.5(a)(iii); and (b) have undertaken a minimum of one year technical training of an approved nature of Hong Kong surveying practice; and (c) have undergone the relevant stages of the Assessment of Professional Competence as may be determined by the Board of Education from time to time, which will also provide for an assessment interview administered by the Board of Education, may be admitted as Associate Members.
2.4.4 In determining what constitutes a recognized professional body, an approved or good academic qualification or a relevant vocational qualification for the purpose of this Bye-Law, the General Council's decision shall be final.	2.4.4 In determining what constitutes a recognized professional body, an approved or relevant academic qualification for the purpose of this Bye-Law, the General Council's decision shall be final.

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2.5 Training Grade:	
Probationers	
2.5.1 Those persons who are not less than 21 years of age who have the educational attainments as may be laid down from time to time by regulation by the General Council and are undergoing suitable professional training for the profession may be admitted as Probationers.	2.5.1 Those persons who are at least 18 years of age who have the educational attainments as may be laid down from time to time by regulation by the General Council and are undergoing suitable professional and technical training for the profession may be admitted as Probationers.
2.5.3 No person shall remain as a Probationer if he becomes eligible for election as a Member	2.5.3 No person shall remain as a Probationer or an Associate Member if he becomes eligible for election as a Member.
Technical Trainees	[DELETE HEADING]
2.5.4 Those persons who are not less than 18 years of age who have the educational attainments as may be laid down from time to time by regulation by the General Council and are undergoing suitable technical training for the profession may be admitted as Technical Trainees.	2.5.4 [DELETE]
2.5.5 The maximum period during which a person may remain a Technical Trainee shall be limited to a total of 8 years, provided always that the General Council shall have power to vary the period in particular cases.	2.5.5 [DELETE]
2.5.6 No person shall remain as a Technical Trainee if he becomes eligible for admission as a Technical Associate.	2.5.6 [DELETE]
Students	
2.5.7 Those persons who are not less than 18 years of age who are undergoing suitable academic training for the profession may be admitted as Students.	2.5.7 Those persons who are at least 18 years of age and are undergoing suitable academic training for the profession may be admitted as Students.

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2.5.8 No person shall remain as a Student if he becomes eligible for admission as a Probationer or a Technical Trainee.	2.5.8 No person shall remain as a Student if he becomes eligible for admission as a Probationer.
Admission to Membership	
2.9 Technical Associates	2.9 Associate Members
2.9.1 Any person desirous of being admitted as a Technical Associate shall sign and deliver to the Honorary Secretary an application in the relevant form subscribed by four Corporate Members of the Institute. Subject to the person meeting the requirements of Bye-Law 2.4.1 or 2.4.2 the application will be placed before the Board of Membership and, if approved, he shall be duly admitted as a Technical Associate, provided that the Board of Membership shall have the authority to reject applications.	2.9.1 Any person desirous of being admitted as an Associate Member shall sign and deliver to the Honorary Secretary an application in the relevant form subscribed by four Corporate Members of the Institute. Subject to the person meeting the requirements of Bye-Law 2.4.1, 2.4.2 or 2.4.3, the application will be placed before the Board of Membership and, if approved, he shall be duly admitted as an Associate Member, provided that the Board of Membership shall have the authority to reject applications.
2.9.2 In case an application for admission as a Technical Associate is rejected, the Board of Membership shall not be required to give any reason for the rejection. Any such applicant not admitted may not again submit an application for admission as a Technical Associate until 12 calendar months shall have elapsed from the date the application was rejected.	2.9.2 In case an application for admission as an Associate Member is rejected, the Board of Membership shall not be required to give any reason for the rejection. Any such applicant not admitted may not again submit an application for admission as an Associate Member until 12 calendar months shall have elapsed from the date the application was rejected.
2.11 Technical Trainees	2.11 [DELETE HEADING]
2.11.1 Any person desirous of being admitted as a Technical Trainee shall sign and deliver to the Honorary Secretary an application in the relevant form subscribed by his employer or an authorized officer of his employer. Subject to the person meeting the requirements of Bye-Law 2.5.4, the application will be considered by the Board of Membership and, if approved, he shall be duly admitted as a Technical Trainee, provided that the Board of Membership shall have the authority to reject applications.	2.11.1 [DELETE]

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2.12 Students	2.12 Students
2.12.1 Any person desirous of being admitted as a Student shall sign and deliver to the Honorary Secretary an application in the relevant form subscribed by the Head of Department at the institution where he is undergoing academic training. Subject to the person meeting the requirements of Bye-Law 2.5.7, the application will be considered by the Board of Membership and, if approved, he shall be duly admitted as a Student, provided that the Board of Membership shall have the authority to reject applications.	2.12.1 [NO AMENDMENT REQUIRED]
2.13 Resignation	2.13 Resignation
2.13.1 A Corporate Member, Technical Associate, Probationer, Technical Trainee or Student desiring to discontinue his membership of the Institute, as the case may be, shall tender his resignation in writing to the Honorary Secretary. Upon receipt of a resignation the Honorary Secretary shall, if necessary, determine the amount of money owing by the resigning member and require settlement before the resignation becomes effective.	2.13.1 A Corporate Member, Associate Member, Probationer or Student desiring to discontinue his membership of the Institute, as the case may be, shall tender his resignation in writing to the Honorary Secretary. Upon receipt of a resignation the Honorary Secretary shall, if necessary, determine the amount of money owing by the resigning member and require settlement before the resignation becomes effective.
2.13.2 Should no settlement be made the General Council may take whatever steps it considers necessary for recovery of the amount due. The General Council may set aside a resignation, if it considers that Bye-Law 9.3.1 or 9.3.2 may apply. The name of a member shall be removed from the Register as from the date on which his resignation is approved by the General Council.	2.13.2 [NO AMENDMENT REQUIRED]
2.14 Re-Admission	2.14 Re-Admission
The General Council may re-admit under any such conditions as it may prescribe a person who has resigned as a Corporate Member,	The General Council may re-admit under any such conditions as it may prescribe a person who has resigned as a Corporate Member,

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Technical Associate, Probationer, Technical Trainee or Student of the Institute, as the case may be.	Associate Member, Probationer or Student of the Institute, as the case may be.
2.15 Diplomas	2.15 Diplomas
Every Corporate Member and Technical Associate shall be entitled to such diploma or certificate of membership as may be prescribed from time to time by the General Council, but any such diploma or certificate shall remain the property of the Institute and must on request be returned by a person whose membership ceases for any reason.	Every Corporate Member and Associate Member shall be entitled to such diploma or certificate of membership as may be prescribed from time to time by the General Council, but any such diploma or certificate shall remain the property of the Institute and must on request be returned by a person whose membership ceases for any reason.
PART III - THE GENERAL COUNCIL	
3.1 Constitution of the General Council	
3.1.1 The General Council shall comprise the following Office Bearers:	
(q) one member of the Technical Grade.	(q) [DELETE]
3.1.2 Only Corporate Members shall be eligible to be Office Bearers or members of the General Council except the member under Bye-Law 3.1.1(p). Both the President and Vice Presidents shall be Fellows of the Institute.	3.1.2 Only Corporate Members shall be eligible to be Office Bearers or members of the General Council. Both the President and Vice Presidents shall be Fellows of the Institute.
3.2 Election of Councillors	
3.2.1 Office Bearers, and the Councillor who is a member of the Technical Grade, shall be elected by the Corporate Members present in person at an Annual General Meeting.	3.2.1 Office Bearers shall be elected by the Corporate Members present in person at an Annual General Meeting.
3.2.4 Nominations for Office Bearers and the Councillor who is a member of the Technical Grade shall be made in writing duly proposed and seconded by Corporate Members in such form as the General Council may prescribe not later than one month before the date of the Annual General Meeting at which the election is	3.2.4 Nominations for Office Bearers shall be made in writing duly proposed and seconded by Corporate Members in such form as the General Council may prescribe not later than one month before the date of the Annual General Meeting at which the election is to take place. A list of all nominations received, together with the name

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to take place. A list of all nominations received, together with the name of the proposer and seconder of each nominee, shall be sent to each member not less than 14 days before the Annual General Meeting.	of the proposer and seconder of each nominee, shall be sent to each member not less than 14 days before the Annual General Meeting.
3.2.5 Voting for the election of Office Bearers of the Institute and the Councillor who is a member of the Technical Grade shall be by ballot.	3.2.5 Voting for the election of Office Bearers of the Institute shall be by ballot.
PART IV - DIVISIONS, YOUNG SURVEYORS GROUP AND SPECIALIST FORUMS	
4.1 Divisional Membership	
4.1.1 Each Corporate Member and Technical Associate shall be a member of one Division and shall be entitled to vote only at meetings of the Division of which he is a member, provided that he may also be registered in another Division. A member of the Training Grade shall be a member of one Division and shall only be entitled to vote at meetings of that Division as provided for in the constitution of that Division.	4.1.1 Each Corporate Member and Associate Member shall be a member of one Division and shall be entitled to vote only at meetings of the Division of which he is a member, provided that he may also be registered in another Division. A member of the Training Grade shall be a member of one Division and shall only be entitled to vote at meetings of that Division as provided for in the constitution of that Division.
4.1.3 The Honorary Secretary shall for each Corporate Member and Technical Associate, and for each member of the Training Grade, record the Division or Divisions of which he is for the time being a member.	4.1.3 The Honorary Secretary shall for each Corporate Member and Associate Member, and for each member of the Training Grade, record the Division or Divisions of which he is for the time being a member.
PART VI - PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT	
6.6 Technical and Training Grades	6.6 Technical and Training Grades
The conduct of Technical Associates, Probationers, Technical Trainees and Students will be judged similarly to that of Corporate Members, and in the case of misconduct, action will proceed as under Bye-Laws 6.1 to 6.5.	The conduct of Associate Members, Probationers and Students will be judged similarly to that of Corporate Members, and in the case of misconduct, action will proceed as under Bye-Laws 6.1 to 6.5.

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PART VII - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	
7.1 All Corporate Members and Technical Associates of the Institute shall maintain a high level of competence in professional practice and technical performance and are obligatory to undertake continuing professional development and lifelong learning to enhance their professional and technical competence. The General Council may from time to time issue regulations and guidance notes on mandatory continuing professional development administered by the Board of Professional Development.	7.1 All Corporate Members and Associate Members of the Institute shall maintain a high level of competence in professional practice and technical performance and are obligatory to undertake continuing professional development and lifelong learning to enhance their professional and technical competence. The General Council may from time to time issue regulations and guidance notes on mandatory continuing professional development administered by the Board of Professional Development.
7.2 All Probationers and Technical Trainees shall endeavour to achieve a high level of competence in performance and are obligatory to undertake such pre-qualification structured learning as may be prescribed by the Board of Education.	7.2 All persons undertaking professional or technical training shall endeavour to achieve a high level of competence in performance and are obligatory to undertake such pre-qualification structured learning as may be prescribed by the Board of Education.
PART IX - FEES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS	
9.2 Liability	
9.2.2 Any Corporate Member, Technical Associate, Probationer, Technical Trainee or Student shall be liable to pay the annual subscription for the ensuing year upon admission into membership and upon expiry of the annual subscription for the current year.	9.2.2 Any Corporate Member, Associate Member, Probationer or Student shall be liable to pay the annual subscription for the ensuing year upon admission into membership and upon expiry of the annual subscription for the current year.

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