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**NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS
UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT**

HONG KONG, CHINA: REGISTERED DESIGNS RULES (CAP. 522A)

Notifying Member	HONG KONG, CHINA
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Details of the notified legal text

Title	Registered Designs Rules (Cap. 522A)
Subject matter	Industrial designs
Nature of notification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation <input type="checkbox"/> Other law or regulation
Link to legal text*	https://ip-documents.info/2022/IP/HKG/22_8397_00_e.pdf
Notification status	<input type="checkbox"/> First notification <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment or revision to notified legal text <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s)
Previous notification(s) referred to	IP/N/1/HKG/D/1/Add.5 , IP/N/1/HKG/P/1/Add.7 , IP/N/1/HKG/P/5/Add.1 ; IP/N/1/HKG/D/1/Add.3 , IP/N/1/HKG/D/2/Add.2 , IP/N/1/HKG/P/1/Add.4 , IP/N/1/HKG/P/3/Add.3 , IP/N/1/HKG/P/4/Add.2 ; IP/N/1/HKG/D/2/Add.3 ; IP/N/1/HKG/D/2
Brief description of the notified legal text	
<p>This notification reflects the latest changes to the Registered Designs Rules (Cap. 522A) introduced under the National Flag and National Emblem (Amendment) Ordinance 2021 (Ord. No. 31 of 2021). Specifically, section 12 of the Registered Designs Rules was amended to provide that evidence of consent to the registration of a design (on which any armorial bearings, etc. appears) is subject to the new section 8A of the Registered Designs Ordinance (Cap. 522), which prohibits the registration of a design consisting of or containing the national flag or the national emblem of the People's Republic of China or their designs.</p>	
Language(s) of notified legal text	English
Entry into force	8 October 2021
Other date	

Notification details

Submission date of notification	18 November 2022
Other information	The National Flag and National Emblem (Amendment) Ordinance 2021 (Ord. No. 31 of 2021) can be accessed via https://www.elegislation.gov.hk/hk/2021/31!en IP/N/1/HKG/38; IP/N/1/HKG/D/5 (Registered Designs Ordinance (Cap. 522))
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