

About the Institute

The Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants is the only statutory licensing body for professional accountants in Hong Kong. It is responsible for the registration and regulation of certified public accountants (CPA) and for granting statutory audit rights to practising CPAs. CPAs are members of the Institute.



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International affiliates of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants are overseas qualified accounting professionals who can receive many benefits of the Institute, without becoming full members.

International affiliate status is ideal for overseas professionals seconded to Hong Kong for one or more years who are interested in receiving the latest updates about Hong Kong's accounting rules and regulations, standards development, news about continuing professional development and networking opportunities with fellow professionals provided by the Institute.

For their annual fees, international affiliates receive a host of benefits to help them better perform their professional work in Hong Kong, including:

- The Hong Kong Institute of CPAs' electronic Members' Handbook with full functionality (view, print, search, copy and paste and download access, a CD-ROM with smart updates for off-line use and access to archived handbook materials), and all financial reporting and auditing standards and ethics statements issued by the Institute.
- The Institute's magazine, *A Plus*, and weekly e-circular, including TechWatch, which keeps you up to date on relevant accounting technical information and standard-setting issues.
- Member rates for CPD seminars, Technical Update Evening seminars and forums.

- Access to free China desk service.
- Access to free online resources at the learning resource centre.
- Networking and corporate events.
- Institute merchandise and premiums at members' rates and exclusive discount offers.

All you need to join as an international affiliate is membership in good standing, with complete voting rights, of a full-member body of the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC). You also need to be 21 years of age or older. Successful applicants can use the title "International Affiliates of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants."

Please note that international affiliates are not members of the Institute, and so do not have the right to vote or participate in elections to Council or attend general meetings of the Institute.



How to apply

Complete and submit to the Institute:

- Application form for registration as an international affiliate (Form IA-1)
- Appropriate fees

Form IA-1 can be downloaded from the Institute's web site: <http://www.hkicpa.org.hk>. Alternatively, you can request the form via fax by calling the Institute's hotline: (852) 2528 9000.

The application will be considered by the Registration and Practising Committee and submitted to the Council for approval.

How to renew

Renewal packages will be sent to international affiliates in November each year. In order to be eligible for renewal as an international affiliate, you should remain a full member with voting rights of an IFAC full member body.

For enquiries, please contact the Institute's membership and admission department on telephone number 2287 7228 or email to admission@hkicpa.org.hk.