

## Public Services that Facilitate Trade

[Including services provided by government bureaux and departments, and other public organisations]

Disclaimer: There are other digital public services that aim to facilitate business and compliance in Hong Kong. Please refer to the webpages of individual bureaux / departments / public organisations for details.

### Financial Services: Secured Transactions and Operation of Collateral Registries

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<b>Operation of Collateral Registries</b>		
<b><i>Features of Collateral Registries</i></b>		
1.	Companies Registry is the registry in operation for unified collateral registry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <a href="#">Part 8, Cap. 622 Companies Ordinance</a></li><li>➤ <a href="#">Companies Registry's Website</a></li></ul> <p>Companies Registry is the collateral registry for companies incorporated or registered under Cap. 622 Companies Ordinance</p>

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2.	The collateral registry (the database) is either centralized geographically for the entire economy or linked among different geographic regions within HKSAR	<p>Companies Registry's Website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <a href="#">Landing Page of the e-Services Portal</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="#">Useful Information &gt; About e-Services</a></li> </ul> <p>Companies Registry is centralized for the whole of Hong Kong. It is an electronic database</p> <p>Companies Registry has developed the e-Services Portal which is a single integrated online platform to facilitate electronic submission of documents to the Registrar of Companies and searches on registered information of companies and entities kept by the Registrar. Users can subscribe to different electronic services under a single user account of the e-Services Portal</p>
3.	Everyone, including members of the public, can access the data in the registry without restriction from any geographic location in the economy (e.g., without intermediaries such as registrars, clerks, notaries... or without being limited to a certain type of users such as state agencies)	<p>Companies Registry's Website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <a href="#">Landing Page of the e-Services Portal</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="#">Useful Information &gt; About e-Services</a></li> </ul> <p>The Companies Registry is centralized for the whole of Hong Kong. It is an electronic database</p> <p>Companies Registry has developed the e-Services Portal which is a single integrated online platform to facilitate electronic submission of documents to the Registrar of Companies and searches on registered information of companies and entities kept by the Registrar. Users can subscribe to different electronic services under a single user account of the e-Services Portal</p>

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4.	The registry has an electronic database searchable by debtor's name or unique identifier	<p>Companies Registry 's Website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <a href="#">Landing Page of the e-Services Portal</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="#">Useful Information &gt; About e-Services</a></li> </ul> <p>The database is searchable by the chargor's name</p> <p>With the implementation of Unique Business Identifier whereby the Business Registration Number replaced the company registration number as the key number for searching and identifying a company or entity, a quick search function is provided under the e-Search Services at the e-Services Portal to facilitate users to look up the corresponding Business Registration Number of companies or entities incorporated or registered before the implementation of Unique Business Identifier by their company registration number and vice versa</p>
5.	The collateral can be searchable by serial number in the registry	<p>Companies Registry 's Website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <a href="#">Landing Page of the e-Services Portal</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="#">Useful Information &gt; About e-Services</a></li> </ul> <p>The collateral can be searchable first by the chargor's name, and then by the document reference number of the collateral from the chargor's document index</p>

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6.	The Companies Registry conducts basic check of the correctness of the information in the specified form of notification against the certified copy of the charging document submitted along with the form	<p>Companies Registry 's Website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <a href="#">Useful Information &gt; FAQs &gt; e-Filing Services for Documents Delivered Under Various Ordinances</a></li> </ul> <p>See Part E (Specified Forms Relating to Charges, Receivership and Liquidation) on pages 14 and 15 of the Frequently Asked Questions</p>
7.	<p>The process of creating an account with the registry include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online with an automated verification of account</li> <li>• Online with the approval or verification of the creation of an account</li> </ul>	<p>Companies Registry's Website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <a href="#">User Registration</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="#">Useful Information &gt; FAQs &gt; User Registration - Registration of User Account for e-Services</a></li> </ul> <p>Application to become a user of the e-Services Portal via a 24-hour portal, can be done online. The Companies Registry will check the applicant's particulars as submitted online as well as the identification documents. An email will be sent to the applicant to activate the user account upon approval of the application</p> <p>The process of creating an account with the registry include (i) online with an automated verification of account (only if iAM Smart or a digital certificate regarding personal information has been used) and (ii) online with the approval or verification of the creation of an account</p>

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8.	The collateral registry has an online system for registrations, amendments, renewals, cancellations and searches of security interests	<p>Companies Registry's Website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <a href="#">Landing Page of the e-Services Portal</a></li> <li>➤ <a href="#">Useful Information &gt; FAQs &gt; e-Filing Services for Documents Delivered Under Various Ordinances</a></li> </ul> <p>An electronic service for the submission of charge / discharge documents is available at the e-Services Portal, a 24-hour portal developed by the Companies Registry to facilitate electronic delivery of specified forms and required documents in PDF format</p> <p>Companies Registry also provides search services for its online system</p>