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Professional Bridging Examination Important Notes for Candidates

Important Notes for Candidates (From Examination Entry to Sitting the June 2017 Examination)

| Date | HKIAAT Action | Candidate Action | Remarks |
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| 21 April 2017 | The last batch of Examination Entry Acknowledgement will be despatched to all candidates for the June 2017 examination. | Upon receipt of the Examination Entry Acknowledgements, candidates must check that all details contained in the document are correct. If any of the data is incorrect, candidates should contact the HKIAAT IMMEDIATELY. | Rejection letters together with cheque(s) and cancelled Entry Forms will be sent to students whose applications are rejected for the following reasons: i) incomplete application despite reminders; or ii) late applications |
| 26 April 2017 | | Candidates who have not received an Examination Entry Acknowledgement or a rejection letter should contact the HKIAAT IMMEDIATELY to enquire the status of their examination entry. | |
| 24 May 2017 | Examination Attendance Dockets will be despatched by the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority to all candidates. | Upon receipt of the Examination Attendance Docket, candidates must check all details on the document. If any of the data is incorrect, candidates should contact the HKIAAT IMMEDIATELY. | Changes in examination centres will not be entertained. |
| 29 May 2017 | | Candidates who have not received their Examination Attendance Docket or have misplaced it should contact the HKIAAT IMMEDIATELY for a duplicate copy. | At least two working days should be allowed to process a duplicate copy of the Examination Attendance Docket. Candidates are strongly advised NOT to leave such an application until the last minute. |
| From 2 June 2017 to date of examination | | Candidates who have not received a duplicate copy of their Examination Attendance Docket should contact the HKIAAT <u>IMMEDIATELY</u> for examination details. | Candidates are strongly advised to alert the HKIAAT at the earliest opportunity of non-receipt of the duplicate docket. |
| 7, 9, 12 & 14 June 2017 | | Examination dates. | All papers last for three hours. |

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Professional Bridging Examination Notes and Regulations

Each paper consists of a three-hour closed-book written examination comprising 100 marks with a mix of assessment methods. These include short questions, computational questions and case studies.

We would like to remind candidates that breaching the examination rules is prohibited under any circumstances, and disciplinary action will always be taken against candidates who are found violating the rules. These candidates will be disqualified from the examinations, and more severe penalties such as permanent removal from our student register may be imposed.

Students should read the notes shown on the back of the Examination Attendance Docket carefully and follow the Centre Supervisor's instructions during the examinations. Please bring your HKID card/student registration card and the Examination Attendance Docket with you to EVERY examination. If you have misplaced either the registration card or docket, you should contact the HKIAAT IMMEDIATELY to arrange for a replacement.

Electronic calculators, including programmable calculators, may be used in any examination session provided that the calculators are battery-powered, silent in operation, without communication function, with neither print-out nor graphic/word-display facilities and do not use dot-matrix technology in the main display. Other electronic devices with graphic/word-display facilities (such as databank watches) are **NOT** permitted in the examination centre. If they are brought in, this will be considered as a breach of regulations and will lead to confiscation of the calculators. Candidates who wish to check whether their calculators can be used in the examination should refer to the list of permitted calculators on the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority website at http://www.hkeaa.edu.hk/en/IPE/hkiaat/index.html. (Please note that calculators are not required to be pad-printed with the "H.K.E.A.A. APPROVED" label for the HKIAAT Examinations.)

Candidates are also **NOT** permitted to bring dictionaries into the examination.

Candidates are advised to bring their own watches to the examination centre for reference as not all centres will have a clock. The Centre Supervisor's decision prevails should there be any disputes about the examination time. Please note that candidates are **NOT** allowed to use mobile phones or other electronic communication devices during the examination for any purposes, including timekeeping.

Candidates are requested to arrive at the examination centres on time. Admission to the examination centre after the first 30 minutes of an examination is at the discretion of the Centre Supervisor.

Candidates who have fever and / or respiratory symptoms, such as cough and running nose, are advised to bring masks with them and wear one whenever they are within the examination premises. However, the invigilating personnel have the discretion of requesting the candidates to remove their masks for verification of their identities.

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Professional Bridging Examination Format of June 2017 Examination Papers

Format of Papers I to III:

| Section | Marks |
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| Section A: 1 case with 1 to 3 questions | 40 |
| Section B: 3 out of 4 optional questions | 60 |
| Total | 100 |

Format of Paper IV** (effective from the June 2010 Session onwards)

| Section | Marks |
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| Section A: 5 essay questions on Business Law, each 20 marks Section B: 2 essay questions on Taxation, each 20 marks | 5 questions x 20 marks per question |
| Total | 100 |

^{**}Note: Candidates are required to **answer 5 questions** in total with at least **1 question** from each section