

在私營場所提供公共 Wi-Fi 服務須作登記

Registration Required for the
Provision of Public Wi-Fi Services
on Private Premises



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Public Wi-Fi services are ubiquitous in Hong Kong, being provided at restaurants, cafes, shopping malls etc. for the convenience of their customers to get access to the Internet.

The Class Licence for the Provision of Public Wireless Local Area Network Services (“Class Licence”) was introduced in 2003. Any person or corporate providing public Wi-Fi services on private premises using radiocommunications apparatus (e.g. conventional Wi-Fi routers and networking equipment) that conforms to the technical criteria set out in the Class Licence will automatically be deemed as a Class Licensee without the need to apply for an individual licence.

A Class Licensee is required to operate within the terms and conditions of the Class Licence, including the requirement to register with the Communications Authority (“CA”).





WHO should Register?

- A person or corporate providing public Wi-Fi services on private premises, such as owners of restaurants, cafés, property owners or tenants of shopping malls.
- If restaurant/café owners or property owners/tenants simply make available their premises for other public Wi-Fi operators to provide services, they will not be regarded as providing public Wi-Fi services and do not need to register with the CA.
- Class Licence aims to regulate the provision of public Wi-Fi services. No telecommunications licence is required if a person establishes a Wi-Fi router or network at home, in the office or in a school campus for private use.

Failure to register as Class Licensees may risk breaching the Telecommunications Ordinance.



HOW to Register?



The registration process is simple and free. If you intend to register with the CA for your public Wi-Fi service operation, you are only required to provide the following information for the registration:

- name and contact details of the Class Licensee;
- location(s) of the public Wi-Fi system; and
- frequency band(s) used for providing the service.

The registration form for electronic submission can be found at the following webpage:

English version



http://www.coms-auth.hk/filemanager/common/licensing/reg_form_e.xls



Chinese version



http://www.coms-auth.hk/filemanager/common/licensing/reg_form_c.xls



You may also hand in the registration form in person at the CA at the following address:

Office of the Communications Authority (OFCA)

29/F, Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East,
Wan Chai, Hong Kong

If there are any changes to the registered information, you are required to update the registered record(s) before the changes take effect. You are also required to notify the CA within one month of the ceasing of your public Wi-Fi service under the Class Licence.



REGISTER of the Class Licensees

The CA will publish a register of the Class Licensees on OFCA's website. The register will include the name of the Class Licensee, the location(s) of the radiocommunications apparatus, and the frequency band(s) used by the radiocommunications apparatus. All other information provided to the CA will only be kept for regulatory purposes.

For the register of the Class Licensees, please visit OFCA's website via the following link:



http://apps.ofca.gov.hk/apps/clr/content/public_search.asp?language=english



More details of the Class Licence can be found at CA's website:



<http://www.coms-auth.hk/en/licensing/telecommunications/class/index.html>



Enquiry

For enquiry on the Class Licence, please contact:

OFCA's Hotline: 2961 6333

Email: register-wlan@ofca.gov.hk

Website: www.ofca.gov.hk

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