New Companies Ordinance (**Ordinance No. 28 of 2012**)

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Note

ACA = Australian Corporations Act 2001 CO = Companies Ordinance (Cap. 32)

FRCO = Financial Reporting Council Ordinance (Cap. 588)
MPFSO = Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance (Cap. 485)

NZCA = New Zealand Companies Act 1993 OBCA = Ontario Business Corporations Act, 1990

PO = Patents Ordinance (Cap. 514) SCA = Singapore Companies Act 1967

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212.	Offence if share capital is reduced in	mel, cf CO s 58(1A), (1B)
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213.	Liability of members following reduction of	mel, cf CO s 62 (except proviso
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214.	Reserves arising from reductions of share capital	new provision, cf UKCA s 654,
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		of Share Capital) Order 2008

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	resolution	to (4), 49K to 49O
223.	Company to deliver copy of order of Court to	new provision, cf CO
	Registrar	ss 49N(3)(b), (4), 49K to 49O
224.	Registration of return if no application to Court	new provision, cf UKCA s 644
225.	Registration of return if application to Court	new provision, cf CO s 61(1), (2)
		and UKCA s 644

Subdivision 3 – Reduction of Share Capital Confirmed by Court

226.	Special resolution and application to Court for	mel, cf CO s 59(1) to (3) (except	
	confirmation of reduction of share capital	s 59(2)(a) to (c)), UKCA s 645	
227.	Creditors entitled to object to reduction of share	mel, cf CO s 59(2)(a) to (c),	
	capital	UKCA s 646	
228.	Offence in connection with creditors list	mel, cf CO s 63, UKCA s 647	
229.	Order of Court confirming reduction of share	mel, cf CO s 60, UKCA s 648	
	capital		
230.	Registration of order, minute and return	mel, cf CO s 61(1) to (3), UKCA	
		s 649(1) to (4)	

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
231.	Certification of registration	mel, cf CO s 61(4), UKCA
		s 649(5), (6)
232.	Liability to creditors omitted from list of	mel, cf CO s 62(1) proviso, (2),
	creditors	UKCA s 653

Division 4

Share Redemptions and Buy-backs

Subdivision 1 – Preliminary

233.	Application of Division	new provision, cf CO ss 49(1),
		49B(1), (2)

Subdivision 2 – Redeemable Shares

234.	Issue of redeemable shares	mel, cf CO s 49(1), (2), UKCA
		s 684
235.	Terms, conditions and manner of redemption	new provision, cf UKCA s 685

$Subdivision \ 3-Share \ Buy-backs$

236.	General power of company to buy back its own	mel, cf CO ss 49B(1), (2), (6),
	shares	58(1D), UKCA s 690
237.	Retention and inspection of share buy-back	mel, cf CO s 49G(4), (5), (7) to
	contracts	(9), UKCA ss 702, 703

Subdivision 4 – Share Buy-backs: Listed Companies

238.	Share buy-back under general offer	mel, cf CO s 49BA(1)(a), (2)(a),
		(3)(a), (7) to (10)
239.	Share buy-back on recognized stock market or	mel, cf CO s 49BA(1)(b), (2)(b),
	approved stock exchange	(3)(b), (4), UKCA ss 693(1), 701
240.	Share buy-back otherwise than under section 238	mel, cf CO ss 49BA(1)(c), (5),
	or 239	(6), 49D(4), 49E(1), (2)
241.	Exemptions	mel, cf CO s 49BA(11), (12)
242.	No assignment of right to buy back own shares	mel, cf CO s 49F(1), UKCA s 704
243.	Release of right to buy back own shares	mel, cf CO s 49F(3), UKCA s 700

Subdivision 5 – Share Buy-backs: Unlisted Companies

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
244.	Share buy-back under contract	mel, cf CO s 49D(1), (2), (3),
		s 49E(1), (3), UKCA s 694
245.	Resolution authorizing contract: disclosure of	mel, cf CO s 49D(5), (7)(c)(ii),
	contract details	UKCA s 696
246.	Resolution authorizing contract: exercise of	mel, cf CO s $49D(4)$, $(7)(c)(i)$,
	voting rights	UKCA s 695
247.	Variation of authorizing contract	mel, cf CO s 49D(3), (6), UKCA
		s 697
248.	Resolution authorizing variation: disclosure of	mel, cf CO s 49D(5), (6),
	details of variation	(7)(c)(ii), UKCA s 699
249.	Resolution authorizing variation: exercise of	
	voting rights	(7)(c)(i), UKCA s 698
250.	No assignment of right to buy back own shares	mel, cf CO s 49F(1), UKCA s 704
251.	Release of right to buy back own shares	mel, cf CO ss 49D(3), 49F(2),
		UKCA s 700
252.	Resolution authorizing release: disclosure of	mel, cf CO ss 49D(5), (7)(c)(ii),
	details of release	(8), 49F(2), UKCA ss 699, 700(5)
253.	Resolution authorizing release: exercise of voting	mel, cf CO ss 49D(4), (7)(c)(i),
	rights	(8), 49F(2)
254.	Variation of release of right to buy back own	mel, cf CO ss 49D(3), (6), 49F(2)
	shares	
255.	Resolution authorizing variation of release:	mel, cf CO ss 49D(5), (6),
	disclosure of details of variation	(7)(c)(ii), (8), 49F(2), UKCA
		s 699
256.	Resolution authorizing variation of release:	
	exercise of voting rights	49F(2)

Subdivision 6 – Payment for Share Redemptions and Buy-backs

257.	Payment for redemption or buy-back	mel, cf CO ss 49(3), 49A(1)(a),
		49B(3), 49C, UKCA s 692
258.	Special resolution for payment out of capital	new provision, cf CO ss 49K(2), 49L(1)
259.	Solvency statement for payment out of capital	new provision, cf CO ss 49K(3), (7)(b), 49L(1), (4), 49K to 49O

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
260.	Special resolution: exercise of voting rights	new provision, cf CO ss 49K(7)(a), 49L(2), (3), UKCA s 717
261.	Public notice of payment out of capital	new provision, cf CO ss 49M(1) to (4), 49K to 49O, UKCA s 719
262.	Inspection of special resolution and solvency statement	new provision, cf CO s 49M(5) to (7), UKCA s 720
263.	Application to Court by members or creditors	new provision, cf CO s 49N (except 49N(3)(b)), UKCA ss 721, 722
264.	Power of Court to adjourn proceedings	new provision, cf CO s 49O(1), UKCA s 721(3)
265.	Power of Court to confirm or cancel special resolution	new provision, cf CO ss 49O(2) to (4), 49K to 49O, UKCA s 721(4) to (7)
266.	Company to deliver copy of order of Court to Registrar	new provision, cf CO s 49N(3)(b), (4), UKCA s 722

Subdivision 7 – General Provisions

267.	General prohibition on acquisition of own shares	mel, cf CO s 58(1A) to (1C),
		UKCA s 658
268.	No redemption or buy-back of unpaid or	mel, cf CO ss 49(3), 49B(3),
	partly-paid shares	UKCA s 691(1)
269.	Effect of redemption or buy-back	mel, cf CO ss 49A(4), 49B(3),
		UKCA s 688, SCA s 76G
270.	Return of share redemption or buy-back	mel, cf CO ss 49G(1) to (3), (6),
		54(1), UKCA s 689
271.	Effect of company's failure to redeem or buy	mel, cf CO s 49P(1) to (3),
	back	UKCA s 735(1) to (3)
272.	Effect on winding up of company's failure to	mel, cf CO s 49P(4) to (7),
	redeem or buy back	UKCA s 735(4) to (6)
273.	Power to modify by regulation	mel, cf CO s 49Q, UKCA s 737

Division 5 Financial Assistance for Acquisition of Own Shares Subdivision 1 – Preliminary

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
274.	Interpretation	mel, cf CO ss 47B, 47D, UKCA
		s 677

Subdivision 2 – General Prohibition on Financial Assistance for Acquisition of Own Shares

275.	Prohibition on financial assistance for acquisition	mel, cf CO s 47A, UKCA s 678
	of shares or for reducing or discharging liability	
	for acquisition	
276.	Failure to comply with Division does not affect	new provision
	validity of financial assistance, etc.	

Subdivision 3 – Exceptions from Prohibition

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277.	General exceptions	mel, cf CO s 47C(3), UKCA	
		s 681	
278.	Principal purpose exception	mel, cf CO s 47C(1), (2), UKCA	
		s 678(2)	
279.	Exception for money lending businesses	mel, cf CO s 47C(4)(a), UKCA	
		s 682(2)(a)	
280.	Exception for employee share schemes	mel, cf CO s 47C(4)(b), UKCA	
		ss 682(2)(b), 2(c), (5), 1166	
281.	Exception for loans to employees	mel, cf CO s 47C(4)(c), (5), (6),	
		UKCA s 682(2)(d)	
282.	Special restriction for listed companies	mel, cf CO s 47D(1), UKCA	
		s 682(1)(b) (public companies)	

Subdivision 4 – Authorization for Giving Financial Assistance

283.	Financial assistance not exceeding 5% of	new provision, cf NZCA
	shareholders funds	ss 76(1)(c), (2), (3), 77(1), (2), 80
284.	Financial assistance with approval of all	new provision, cf NZCA ss 76(1),
	members	(2), (3), 77(1), (2)
285.	Financial assistance by ordinary resolution	new provision, cf NZCA
		ss 76(1)(b), (2), (3), 77(1), (2),
		78(1), (2), (5), (6), 79
286.	Application to Court for restraining order	new provision, cf CO s 47G(2) to
		(4), (10), NZCA s 78(7)

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
287.	Power of Court to adjourn application	new provision, cf CO s 47G(5)
288.	Power of Court to confirm or restrain giving of	new provision, cf CO
	financial assistance	s 47G(5)(a),(6),(8)
289.	Company to deliver copy of order of Court to	new provision, cf CO s 47G(7),
	Registrar	(10)

Part 6

Distribution of Profits and Assets

Division 1

Preliminary

290.	Interpretation	mel, cf CO ss 79A(1), (2), 79C(2), 79F(2), UKCA ss 829, 853
291.	Realized profits and losses	mel, cf CO ss 79A(3), 79B(4), UKCA s 853(4)
292.	Certain amount to be regarded as realized profit or loss	mel, cf CO s 79K
293.	Certain amount relating to insurance company with long term business to be regarded as realized profit or loss	mel, cf CO s 79E, UKCA s 843
294.	Distribution in kind: certain amount to be regarded as realized profit	mel, cf CO s 79L, UKCA s 846
295.	Application of Part	new provision, and for transitional provisions Sch 11 Pt 6 ss 48, 49 of new CO
296.	Saving for other restraints on distribution	mel, cf CO s 79P, UKCA s 852

Division 2 Prohibitions and Restrictions

297.	Prohibition on certain distributions	mel, cf COs 79B(1), (2), UKCA
		s 830
298.	Listed company may only make certain	mel, cf CO s 79C(1), (3), UKCA
	distributions	s 831
299.	Restriction on application of unrealized profits	mel, cf CO s 79B(3), UKCA
		s 849
300.	Financial Secretary may modify or exempt	mel, cf CO s 79D
	provisions in relation to investment company	

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
301.	Consequences of unlawful distribution	mel, cf CO s 79M, UKCA s 847

Division 3

Provisions Supplementary to Division 2

302.	Justification of distribution by reference to	mel, cf CO s 79F(1), (2), UKCA
	financial statements	s 836
303.	Successive distributions	mel, cf CO s 79J, UKCA s 840

Division 4

Special Financial Statements

304.	Last annual financial statements specified for	mel, cf CO ss 79F(3), 79G,
	purposes of section 302	UKCA s 837
305.	Interim financial statements specified for	mel, cf CO ss 79F(4), 79H,
	purposes of section 302	UKCA s 838
306.	Initial financial statements specified for purposes	mel, cf CO ss 79F(4), 79I, UKCA
	of section 302	s 839

<u>Part 7</u>

Debentures

Division 1

Preliminary

307.	Interpretation	mel, cf CO s 2(1), UKCA s 738
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Division 2

Register of Debenture Holders

308.	Register of debenture holders	mel, cf CO s 74A(1), (4)
309.	Place where register must be kept	mel, cf CO s 74A(2), (3), (4),
		UKCA s 743
310.	Right to inspect and request copy	mel, cf CO s 75, UKCA s 744
311.	Power to close register of debenture holders	mel, cf CO s 99, UKCA s 744(5)
312.	Branch register of debenture holders	new provision
313.	Keeping of branch register	new provision
314.	Transactions in debentures registered in branch	new provision
	register	
315.	Discontinuance of branch register	new provision

Division 3 Allotment of Debentures or Debenture Stock

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
316.	Return of allotment	new provision
317.	Registration of allotment	new provision, cf UKCA s 741
318.	Issue of debenture or certificate for debenture	mel, cf CO s 70(1), (2), UKCA
	stock on allotment	s 769
319.	Court order for delivery of debenture or	mel, cf CO s 70(3)
	certificate for debenture stock	

Division 4 Transfer of Debentures or Debenture Stock

320.	Requirement for instrument of transfer	mel, cf CO s 66, UKCA s 770
321.	Registration of transfer or refusal of registration	mel, cf CO ss 68, 69(1), (2),
		UKCA s 771
322.	Certification of transfer	mel, cf CO s 69A, UKCA s 775
323.	Issue of debenture or certificate for debenture	mel, cf CO s 70(1A), (1B), (2),
	stock on transfer	(4), UKCA s 776
324.	Court order for delivery of debenture or	mel, cf CO s 70(3), UKCA s 782
	certificate for debenture stock	

Division 5 Miscellaneous Provisions

325.	Evidence of grant of probate etc.	mel, cf CO s 72, UKCA s 744
326.	Form of register of holders of debentures kept	mel, cf CO s 74B
	under instrument made by company	
327.	Perpetual debentures	mel, cf CO s 76, UKCA s 739
328.	Power to reissue redeemed debentures	mel, cf CO s 77, UKCA s 752
329.	Deposit of debentures to secure advances	mel, cf CO s 77(4), UKCA s 753
330.	Specific performance of contracts to subscribe	mel, cf CO s 78, UKCA s 740
	for debentures	
331.	Court may order meeting of debenture holders	mel, cf CO s 75A, ACA ss 283EA
		to 283EC
332.	Liability of trustees for debenture holders	mel, cf CO s 75B, UKCA ss 750,
		751

Part 8

Registration of Charges

Division 1

Preliminary

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
333.	Interpretation	new provision, cf CO ss 2(1), 80(9), 81(1), 87(8), 91(1), (2), (7), Companies (Forms)
		Regulations (Cap 32B) reg 5

Division 2

Obligation to Register Specified Charges after Creation

334.	Specified charge	mel, cf CO s 80(2), (5), (6),
		UKCA 1989 s 93, ACA s 262,
		SCA s 131(3)(i)
335.	Company must register specified charge created	mel, cf CO ss 80(1), (1A), (3),
	by it	(4), (7), 81(1), (2), 83(1), UKCA
		s 860
336.	Registered non-Hong Kong company must	mel, cf CO ss 80(1), (7), 81(1),
	register specified charge created by it	(2), 83(1), 91(1), (2)
337.	Consequences of contravention of section 335 or	mel, cf CO ss 80(1), 81(1), (3),
	336	83(1), 91(1)

Division 3

Obligation to Register Existing Charges

338.	Company must register charge existing on	mel, cf CO ss 82(1), (2), 83(1)
	property acquired	UKCA ss 862
339.	Registered non-Hong Kong company must	mel, cf CO ss 82(1), (2), 83(1),
	register charge existing on property acquired	91(1), (2)
340.	Registered non-Hong Kong company must	mel, cf CO ss 83(1), 91(5), (6)
	register charge existing on property on date of	
	company's registration under Part 16	

Division 4 Obligation to Register Other Particulars of Debentures

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
341.	Company or registered non-Hong Kong company	mel, cf CO ss 80(7), 81(1), (2),
	must register particulars of issue of debentures	(3), 83(1), 91(1), (5), (6), UKCA
		s 863
342.	Company or registered non-Hong Kong company	mel, cf CO ss 80(8), 81(1), (2)
	must register particulars of commission etc. in	and 91(1), (5), UKCA s 864
	relation to debentures	
343.	Consequences of contravention of section 342	mel, cf CO ss 80(8), 81(3), 91(1),
		(6), UKCA s 863

Division 5 Provisions supplementary to Divisions 2, 3 and 4

344.	Certificate of registration	mel, cf CO ss 83(2), 91(1), (5)
345.	Notification to Registrar of payment of debt,	mel, cf CO ss 85, 91(1), (5), 304
	release etc.	
346.	Extension of time for registration	mel, cf CO ss 86, 91(1), (5)
347.	Rectification of registered particulars	mel, cf CO ss 86, 91(1), (5)

Division 6 Notice to Registrar of Enforcement of Security

348.	Notice of appointment of receiver or manager	mel, cf CO ss 87(1), (3), (6), (7),
		91(1), (2), UKCA s 871(1)
349.	Notice of mortgagee entering into possession of	mel, cf CO ss 87(2), (3), (6), (7),
	property	91(1), (2)
350.	Notice of cessation of appointment of receiver or	mel, cf CO ss 87(4) to (7), 91(1),
	manager or mortgagee going out of possession of	(2)
	property, etc.	

Division 7 Company's and Registered Non-Hong Kong Company's Records and Register of Charges

351.	Obligation to keep copies of instruments creating	mel, cf CO ss 88(1) to (4), 91(1),
	charges	(3)(a), UKCA s 890
352.	Obligation of company to keep register of	mel, cf CO s 89(1), (2), (4), (5),
	charges	UKCA s 891

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
353.	Obligation of registered non-Hong Kong company to keep register of charges	mel, cf CO ss 89(1), (2), (4), (5), 91(1), (2), (3)
354.	Notification of place where register of charges is kept	
355.	Right to inspect	mel, cf CO ss 90(1), 91(1), UKCA s 877(4)
356.	Financial Secretary may make regulations for purposes of this Division	, ,

Part 9 Accounts and Audits Division 1

Preliminary

357.	Interpretation	new provision, cf CO ss 2(1),
		124(4)
358.	Application in relation to financial year	new provision. For transitional
	beginning on or after commencement date of	provisions see Sch 11 Part 9 of
	relevant provision etc.	new CO

Division 2 Reporting Exemption

359.	Company falling within reporting exemption	mel, cf CO s 141D(1) to (3)
360.	Conditions specified for section 359(1)(c)(iii)	new provision
	and (2)(c)(ii)	
361.	Small private company	new provision and see Sch 3
		s 1(1), (2) of new CO
362.	Eligible private company	new provision and see Sch 3
		s 1(3), (4) of new CO
363.	Small guarantee company	new provision and see Sch 3
		s 1(5), (6) of new CO
364.	Group of small private companies	new provision and see Sch 3
		s 1(7), (8), (9) of new CO
365.	Group of eligible private companies	new provision and see Sch 3
		s 1(10), (11), (12) of new CO
366.	Group of small guarantee companies	new provision and see Sch 3
		s 1(13), (14) of new CO

Division 3 A Company's Financial Year

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
367.	Financial year	new provision, cf CO s 127(1),
		UKCA s 390(2) to (5)
368.	Accounting reference period	new provision, cf UKCA s 391(5)
		to (7)
369.	Primary accounting reference date	new provision, cf UKCA s 391(4)
370.	Accounting reference date	new provision
371.	Alteration of accounting reference date	new provision, cf UKCA s 392(1)
		to (5)

Division 4 Preparation of Financial Statements and Directors' Reports Subdivision 1 – Preliminary

372.	Interpretation	mel, cf CO s 168BAA(3)(a), (c)
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$Subdivision\ 2-Accounting\ Records$

373.	Company must keep accounting records	mel, cf CO s 121(1), (2), (4),
		UKCA ss 386(1) to (3), (5), 387,
		ACA s 286(1)(a)
374.	Where accounting records to be kept	mel, cf CO s 121(3), (4), UKCA
		ss 388(1) to (3), 389(1), (2), (4)
375.	Director may obtain copies of accounting records	new provision, cf CO s 348C(3),
	during inspection	UK, The Companies (Company
		Records) Regulations 2008
		regs 7, 8
376.	Form of accounting records	mel, cf CO s 348C(1), (2), (4),
		UKCA ss 1135(1), (2), 1138(1) to
		(3)
377.	How long accounting records to be preserved	mel, cf CO s 121(3A), (4), UKCA
		ss 388(4), 389(1)
378.	Court may order accounting records to be	new provision, cf SCA s 199(5),
	inspected on director's behalf	ACA s 290(2) to (4)

Subdivision 3 – Financial Statements

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
379.	Directors must prepare financial statements	mel, cf CO ss 123 to 126, 129C,
		141D, UKCA ss 393, 394, 399
380.	General requirements for financial statements	mel, cf CO ss 2B(3), 123, 126,
		141D, ACA ss 296, 297, UKCA
		s 464
381.	Subsidiary undertakings to be included in annual	mel, cf CO ss 2B(3), 124, UKCA
	consolidated financial statements	s 405
382.	Provisions supplementary to sections 380 and	mel, cf CO s 30 (company ceases
	381	to enjoy privileges of private
		company)
383.	Notes to financial statements to contain	mel, cf CO ss 161, 161B, 161BB,
	information on directors' emoluments etc.	161C, UKCA s 412
384.	Register of particulars not required to be	mel, cf CO s 161BB
	contained in notes to financial statements	
385.	Place where register mentioned in section 384	mel, cf CO s 161BB
	must be kept	
386.	Right to inspect and request copy	mel, cf CO s 161BB
387.	Statement of financial position to be approved	mel, cf CO s 129B
	and signed	

${\bf Subdivision~4-Directors'~Report}$

388.	Directors must prepare directors' report	mel, cf CO ss 129D(1), 129F,
		141D, UKCA ss 415, 416
389.	Provisions supplementary to section 388	new provision, cf CO s 30
		(company ceases to enjoy
		privileges of private company)
390.	Contents of directors' report: general	mel, cf CO ss 2B(3), 129D(3),
		UKCA s 416(1), (2)
391.	Directors' report to be approved and signed	mel, cf CO ss 129D(2), 141D(1),
		(4), UKCA ss 419, 433

Division 5 Auditor and Auditor's Report Subdivision 1 – Preliminary

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
392.	Interpretation	new provision, cf UKCA s 485(2)

$Subdivision\ 2-Appointment\ of\ Auditor$

394. Auditor must be appointed for each financial year mel, cf CO s 131(ss 485, 489) 395. Appointment of first auditor by directors mel, cf CO s 131(ss 485(3), 489(3)) 396. Appointment of auditor by company members mel, cf CO s 131(1), ss 485(2), (4), 489(2), ss 485(3)(c), (4)(c), (4)(c), ACA s 327C(1) 398. Appointment of auditor by Court mel, cf CO s 131(1)	
395. Appointment of first auditor by directors mel, cf CO s 131(ss 485(3), 489(3) mel, cf CO s 131(1), ss 485(2), (4), 489(2), 397. Appointment to fill casual vacancy mel, cf CO s 131(1), ss 485(2), (4), 489(2), mel, cf CO s 131(1), ss 485(3)(c), (4)(c), (4)(c), ACA s 327C(1)	l), UKCA
Ss 485(3), 489(3)	
396. Appointment of auditor by company members mel, cf CO s 131(1), ss 485(2), (4), 489(2), 397. Appointment to fill casual vacancy mel, cf CO s 131(1), ss 485(3)(c), (4)(c), (4)(c), ACA s 327C(1)	3), UKCA
ss 485(2), (4), 489(2), 397. Appointment to fill casual vacancy mel, cf CO s 131(ss 485(3)(c), (4)(c), (4)(c), ACA s 327C(1)	
397. Appointment to fill casual vacancy mel, cf CO s 131(ss 485(3)(c), (4)(c), (4)(c), ACA s 327C(1)	(4), UKCA
ss 485(3)(c), (4)(c), (4)(c), ACA s 327C(1)	(4)
(4)(c), ACA s $327C(1)$	5), UKCA
	489(3)(c),
398. Appointment of auditor by Court mel. cf CO s 1310	
l III	2), UKCA
s 486(1)	
399. Effect of appointment a firm as auditor mel, cf CO s 131(9)	
400. Special notice required for resolution for mel, cf CO s 132	
appointing auditor in some cases	
401. Copies of written resolution for appointment new provision, cf UKO	CA s 514(1)
must be sent to new and old auditors to (3), (8)	
402. Terms of office of auditor mel, cf CO s 131(1), UKCA
ss 487, 491	
403. Person deemed to be reappointed as auditor new provision, c	f UKCA
ss 487(2) to (4), 488	
404. Auditor's remuneration mel, cf CO s 131(8), U	

Subdivision 3 – Auditor's Report

405.	Auditor's duty to report	mel, cf CO s 141, UKCA s 495(1)
406.	Auditor's opinion on financial statements,	mel, cf CO ss 141(3)(a),
	directors' report, etc.	141D(1)(a), (e), UKCA ss 495(3),
		496
407.	Auditor's opinion on other matters	mel, cf CO ss 141, (4), (6),
		141D(1)(e)(i), 161(8), 161B(12),
		UKCA s 498

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
408.	Offences relating to contents of auditor's report	new provision, cf UKCA s 507(2), (3)
409.	Auditor's reports to be signed	new provision, cf UKCA ss 503, 505

Subdivision 4 – Auditor's Rights and Privileges, etc.

410.	Qualified privileges	new provision, cf SCA s 208
411.	Rights in relation to general meeting	mel, cf CO s 141(7), (8), UKCA
		s 502(2), (3)
412.	Rights in relation to information	mel, cf CO ss 2B(3), 133, 141(5),
		UKCA ss 499, 500
413.	Offences relating to section 412	mel, cf CO ss 133(2), (3), 134,
		UKCA s 501(3), (4), (6)
414.	Auditor may provide information to incoming	new provision, cf MPFSO s 42A
	auditor without contravening duties	

${\bf Subdivision}~{\bf 5-Auditor's}~{\bf Liability}$

415.	Avoidance of provisions protecting auditor from	mel, cf CO s 165, UKCA ss 532,	
	liability	533	

$Subdivision\ 6-Termination\ of\ Auditor's\ Appointment$

416.	When appointment is terminated	new provision, cf CO s 131(5),
		and proviso to (9)
417.	Resignation of auditor	mel, cf CO s 140A, UKCA
		ss 516, 517
418.	Cessation of office	mel, cf CO s 140(4), UKCA
		s 1213
419.	Company may remove auditor	mel, cf CO ss 131(6), (7),
		132(1)(d), (2)(a), UKCA ss 510 to
		512
420.	Removed auditor not deprived of compensation,	mel, cf CO s 131(10), UKCA
	damages, etc.	s 510(3)

Subdivision 7 – Outgoing Auditor's Right to Requisition Meeting of Company and Make Representation

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
421.	Resigning auditor may requisition meeting	mel, cf CO s 140B, UKCA
		s 518(1), (2), (5) to (7)
422.	Cessation statement in relation to, and attendance	mel, cf CO ss 132(3) to (6),
	at, general meeting	140B(2) to (5), 141(7), (8)
423.	Cessation statement in relation to written	new provision, cf UKCA s 514
	resolution	

${\bf Subdivision~8-Outgoing~Auditor's~Statement~of~Circumstances}$

424.	Duty of resigning auditor to give statement	mel, cf CO s 140A(1), (2), UKCA
		s 519
425.	Duty of auditor who retires or is removed to give	new provision, cf UKCA s 519
	statement	
426.	Company's and aggrieved person's responses to	mel, cf CO s 140A, UKCA
	statement of circumstances	ss 520, 521
427.	Court may order statement of circumstances not	mel, cf CO s 140A(5), (6), UKCA
	to be sent	ss 520(4), (5), 521(2)
428.	Offences relating to section 427	mel, cf CO s 140A(7), UKCA
		ss 520, 521

Division 6 Laying and Publication of Financial Statements and Reports

429.	Directors must lay financial statements etc.	mel, cf CO s 122(1) to (3), UKCA
	before company in general meeting	ss 437(1), 438(1) to (4)
430.	Company must send copies of financial	mel, cf CO s 129G(1) and proviso
	statements etc. to members before general	(c), (1AA), (1AB), UKCA
	meeting	ss 423(1)(a), (5), 424(3), (4), (6)
431.	Period for laying and sending financial	mel, cf CO ss 111(1), 122(1),
	statements etc.	(1B), (2), UKCA s 442(2) to (7)
432.	Exception to section 430	mel, cf CO s 129G(1) proviso (a)
		and (b)
433.	Offences relating to section 430	mel, cf CO s 129G(3), UKCA
		ss 425(1), 438(3)
434.	Company must send to non-voting members	mel, cf CO s 129G(2A)
	other documents	

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
435.	Company must send copies of financial	mel, cf CO s 129G(2), (3), UKCA
	statements etc. to members and others on demand	s 431
436.	Requirement in connection with publication of	mel, cf CO s 129C(1), (3), UKCA
	financial statements etc.	ss 434 to 436

Division 7 Summary Financial Reports

437.	Interpretation	new provision, cf UK, The
137.	morprotation	Companies (Summary Financial
		Statement) Regulations 2008 reg
		8(2), Singapore, Companies
		(Summary Financial Statement)
		Regulations 1995 reg 2
438.	Application of Division	mel, cf CO ss 141CA to 141CH
439.	Directors may prepare financial report in	mel, cf CO s 141CF(1)(a), (b),
	summary form	(3), UKCA s 429
440.	Summary financial report to be approved and	mel, cf CO s 141CF(1)(c), (3),
	signed	Cap 32M reg 5(3)(1), Singapore,
		Companies (Summary Financial
		Statement) Regulations 1995
		reg 3(1)(b), (c)
441.	Company may send copy of summary financial	mel, cf ss 129G(1) proviso
	report to member	(b)(iv), (1A), 141CA, UK, The
		Companies (Summary Financial
		Statement) Regulations 2008 reg
		3(a), ACA s 314(1)(b), SCA
		s 203A(1)
442.	Company may seek member's intent on receiving	mel, cf CO s 141CB, Cap 32M
	summary financial report	regs 3, 6, 8 to 12, UK, The
		Companies (Summary Financial
		Statement) Regulations 2008 reg
		8(2), ACA s 316(1)(a), SCA
		s 203A(3), Singapore, Companies
		(Summary Financial Statement)
		Regulations 1995 reg 5(1), (2)
443.	Notice of revocation and notice of cessation of	mel, cf Cap 32M regs 7 to 12
	statutory election	

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
444.	Company must comply with member's request in	new provision, cf UK, The
	notice of intent etc.	Companies (Summary Financial
		Statement) Regulations 2008 reg
		5(2)
445.	Additional copy of reports etc. to be sent by	mel, cf CO s 141CD(1), (2), (3),
	company	(4), (6)
446.	Company must not send summary financial	mel, cf CO ss 141CE(1), (2),
	report under some circumstances	141CG, Cap 32M reg 5(3)(1),
		UK, The Companies (Summary
		Financial Statement) Regulations
		2008 reg 3, 4(1)(a), (2)

Division 8 Miscellaneous

447.	Exemption applicable to dormant company	mel, cf CO s 344A(4), (6), (7)
448.	Liability for untrue or misleading statement in	new provision, cf UKCA
	reports	s 463(1)(a), (c), (2) to (5), (6)(b)
449.	Voluntary revision of financial statements etc.	mel, cf CO s 141E
450.	Financial Secretary may make regulation	mel, cf CO s 359A(3)(a), (4)(a) to
	regarding revision of financial statements etc.	(d), (6)
451.	Financial Secretary may make regulation	new provision, cf CO s 161B(2),
	regarding disclosures of certain information	(5), (7)
452.	Financial Secretary may make other regulations	new provision, cf CO ss 129D(3),
		161, 161A, 161B, 359A(2)(d) to
		(f)

<u>Part 10</u>

Directors and Company Secretaries

Division 1

Appointment, Removal and Resignation of Directors

 $Subdivision \ 1-Requirement \ to \ have \ Directors$

453.	Public company and company limited by	mel, cf CO s 153(1), (2), (5) to
	guarantee required to have at least 2 directors	(7)
454.	Private company required to have at least one	mel, cf CO s 153A(1), (2), (10),
	director	(11)

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
455.	Nomination of reserve director of private company	mel, cf CO s 153A(6) to (9)
456.	Restriction on body corporate being director	mel, cf CO s 154A(1) to (3), UKCA s 157(4), (5)
457.	Requirement to have at least one director who is natural person	new provision, cf UKCA s 155(1)
458.	Direction requiring company to appoint director	new provision, cf UKCA s 156

$Subdivision\ 2-Appointment\ of\ Directors$

459.	Minimum age for appointment as director	mel, cf CO s 157C, UKCA
		s 157(1), (4), (5)
460.	Appointment of directors to be voted on	mel, cf CO s 157A(1), (2)(b), (3)
	individually	
461.	Validity of acts of director	mel, cf CO ss 157, 157A(2)(a),
		UKCA s 161

$Subdivision \ 3-Removal \ and \ Resignation \ of \ Directors$

462.	Resolution to remove director	mel, cf CO s 157B(1), (1A), (5)
		to (8)
463.	Director's right to protest against removal	mel, cf CO s 157B(2) to (4),
		UKCA s 169
464.	Resignation of director	mel, cf CO s 157D

Division 2

Directors' Duty of Care, Skill and Diligence

465.	Duty to exercise reasonable care, skill and	new provision, cf UKCA
	diligence	ss 170(1), (3), (5), 174, 251(3)
466.	Civil consequences of breach of duty to exercise	new provision, cf UKCA s 178(1)
	reasonable care, skill and diligence	

Division 3

Directors' Liabilities

467.	Interpretation and application	new provision, cf UKCA s 234(2)
468.	Avoidance of provisions protecting director from	mel, cf CO s 165(1), (3), UKCA
	liability	s 232(1) to (3)
469.	Permitted indemnity provision	new provision, cf UKCA s 234(1)
		to (5)

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
470.	Permitted indemnity provision to be disclosed in	new provision, cf UKCA s 236(2)
	directors' report	to (5)
471.	Place where copy of permitted indemnity	new provision, cf UKCA s 237(1)
	provision must be kept	to (8)
472.	Right of member to inspect and request copy	new provision, cf UKCA
		ss 237(8), 238
473.	Ratification of conduct by director involving	new provision, cf UKCA s 239
	negligence, etc.	

Division 4 Appointment and Resignation of Company Secretaries

474.	Company required to have company secretary	mel, cf CO s 154(1), (1AA),
		(1AB), (2), (3)
475.	Circumstances under which director may not be	mel, cf CO s 154(1A), (1B), (4)
	company secretary	
476.	Direction requiring company to appoint company	new provision, cf UKCA s 272
	secretary	
477.	Resignation of company secretary	mel, cf CO s 157D(1) to (3)

Division 5 Miscellaneous Provisions Relating to Directors and Company Secretaries

478.	Director vicariously liable for acts of alternate	mel, cf CO s 153B
	etc.	
479.	Avoidance of acts done by person in dual	mel, cf CO s 154B, UKCA s 280
	capacity as director and company secretary	
480.	Provisions as to undischarged bankrupt acting as	mel, cf CO s 156
	director	
481.	Minutes of directors' meetings	mel, cf CO s 119(1), (4), UKCA
		s 248
482.	Minutes as evidence	mel, cf CO s 119(2), (3), UKCA
		s 249
483.	Written record of decision of sole director of	mel, cf CO s 153C
	private company	

<u>Part 11</u>

Fair Dealing by Directors

Division 1

Preliminary

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
484.	Interpretation	mel, cf CO s 157H(8) to (10)
485.	Circumstances constituting contravention	mel, cf CO s 157I(6)
486.	Connected entity	mel, cf CO s 157H(2)(c), (3)(c),
		4(c), (8), (9), UKCA s 252(1), (2)
487.	Family member of director or former director	mel, cf CO s 157H(8)(b)(i), (9),
		UKCA s 253(1), (2)
488.	Director or former director associated with body	mel, cf CO s 157H(2)(c), (3)(c),
	corporate	(4)(c), UKCA ss 254, 255
489.	Company subject to more than one prohibition	new provision, cf UKCA s 225
490.	Application to transaction or arrangement despite	new provision, cf UKCA s 259
	its governing law	

Division 2 Loan, Quasi-loan and Credit Transaction Subdivision 1 – Preliminary

491.	Interpretation	mel, cf CO s 157H(10), (11)(c)
492.	Body corporate controlled by director	mel, cf CO s 157H(2)(c), (3)(c),
		(4)(c)
493.	Quasi-loan	mel, cf CO s 157H(10), (11)(b)
494.	Credit transaction	mel, cf CO s 157H(10)
495.	Person for whom transaction or arrangement	new provision, cf UKCA s 212
	entered into	
496.	Prescribed approval of members	new provision, cf UKCA
		ss 197(1) to (4), 224, 239(4)
497.	Value of transaction or arrangement etc.	new provision, cf CO s 157HA
		(10), (13), UKCA s 211(1) to (6)
498.	Total exposure amount	mel, cf CO s 157HA(11), (12)(a),
		(b), (13)
499.	Preservation of effect of members' unanimous	new provision, cf UKCA
	consent	s 239(6)(a)

Subdivision 2 – Prohibitions

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
500.	Company must not make loan etc. to director or	mel, cf CO s 157H(2), UKCA
	body corporate controlled by director	s 197
501.	Specified company must not make quasi-loan etc.	mel, cf CO s 157H(3)(a), (b),
	to director	UKCA s 198
502.	Specified company must not make loan or	mel, cf CO s 157H(2), (3), (8),
	quasi-loan etc. to connected entity	(9), UKCA s 200
503.	Specified company must not enter into credit	mel, cf CO s 157H(4), (8), (9),
	transaction etc. as creditor for director or	UKCA s 201
	connected entity	
504.	Company must not take part in arrangement	mel, cf CO s 157H (5) to (9),
	purporting to circumvent sections 500 to 503	UKCA s 203

$Subdivision \ 3-Exceptions \ to \ Subdivision \ 2$

505.	Exception for loan, quasi-loan and credit	new provision, cf UKCA s 207				
	transaction of value not exceeding 5% of net	^				
	assets or called-up share capital					
506.	Exception for expenditure on company business	mel, cf CO s 157HA(3)(a),				
		UKCA s 204(1)				
507.	Exception for expenditure on defending	new provision, cf UKCA s 205				
	proceedings etc.					
508.	Exception for expenditure in connection with	new provision, cf UKCA s 206				
	investigation or regulatory action					
509.	Exception for home loan	mel, cf CO s 157HA(3)(b), (5),				
		(11), UKCA s 209(3), (4)				
510.	Exception for leasing goods and land etc.	mel, cf CO s 157HA(3)(c), (11)				
511.	Exception for transaction entered into in ordinary	mel, cf CO s 157HA(6) to (8),				
	course of business	UKCA ss 207(3), 209(1), (2)				
512.	Exception for intra-group transaction	mel, cf CO s 157HA(1)				

Subdivision 4 – Consequences of Contravention

513.	Civil consequences of contravention	mel, cf CO s 157I(4), UKCA
		s 213
514.	Affirmation of contravening transaction or	new provision, cf UKCA ss 214,
	arrangement	239(6)(a)
515.	Provisions supplementary to section 514	new provision, cf UKCA
		ss 197(3), (4), 224, 239(4)

Division 3
Payment for Loss of Office
Subdivision 1 – Preliminary

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin				
516.	Interpretation	new provision, cf CO				
		s 163B(3)(b), UKCA ss 215(2) to				
		(4), 223				
517.	Payment for loss of office mel, cf CO s 163D(2), (3)(a),					
		UKCA ss 215(1), 216				
518.	Prescribed approval of members or affected	mel, cf CO s 163D(4), UKCA				
	members	ss 217(1) to (3), 219(4), 239(4)				
519.	Preservation of effect of members' or affected	new provision, cf UKCA				
	members' unanimous consent	s 239(6)(a)				
520.	This Division does not affect operation of other	mel, cf CO s 163D(5)				
	Ordinance or law					

Subdivision 2 – Prohibitions

521.	Company must not make payment for loss of	mel, cf CO s 163, UKCA s 217
	office to director or former director	
522.	Person must not make payment for loss of office	mel, cf CO ss 163A, 163D(1),
	to director or former director in connection with	UKCA s 218
	transfer of company's undertaking or property	
523.	Person must not make payment for loss of office	mel, cf CO s 163B, UKCA s 219
	to director or former director in connection with	
	transfer of shares resulting from takeover offer	

$Subdivision \ 3-Exceptions \ to \ Subdivision \ 2$

524.	Exception for payments in discharge of legal	mel, cf CO s 163D(3)(b), UKCA
	obligation etc.	s 220
525.	Exception for small payment	new provision, cf UKCA s 221

Subdivision 4 – Consequences of Contravention

526.	Interpr	etation				new	provision,	cf	UKCA
	1						(4), (5)		
527.	Civil consequences of contravention of					new p	rovision, cf U	KCA	s 222(1)
	section	n 521							
528.	Civil	consequences	of	contravention	of	mel, c	ef CO s 163A(1), (2)), UKCA
	section	n 522				s 221((1)(b), (2)		

Section	New Companies Ordinance					Origin
529.	Civil	consequences	of	contravention	of	mel, cf CO s 163B(3), UKCA
	section 523				s 222(1)(b), (3)	

Division 4 Directors' Service Contract

530.	Interpretation	new provision, cf UKCA
		ss 223(1), 251(3)
531.	Service contract	new provision, cf UKCA s 227
532.	Prescribed approval of members	new provision, cf UKCA
		ss 188(2), (5), 224, 239(4)
533.	Preservation of effect of members' unanimous	new provision, cf UKCA
	consent	s 239(6)(a)
534.	Company must not agree to director's long-term	new provision, cf UKCA
	employment	s 188(1)(a), (2)(a), (3), (4), (7)
535.	Civil consequences of contravention of	new provision, cf UKCA s 189
	section 534	

Division 5 Material Interests in Transaction, Arrangement or Contract

536.	Director must declare material interests	mel, cf CO s 162, UKCA ss 177,
		182
537.	Declaration to directors: timing	mel, cf CO s 162(1), UKCA
		ss 177(4), 182(4)
538.	Declaration to directors: procedures	mel, cf CO s 162(1), (2), UKCA
		ss 177(2), 182(2), 184, 185(2) to
		(4)
539.	Declaration to directors in case of company with	new provision, cf UKCA s 186
	sole director	
540.	Application of Division to shadow director	new provision, cf UKCA s 187
541.	Companies must send general notices to other	new provision, cf UKCA s 185
	directors	
542.	Offence	mel, cf CO s 162(3), UKCA s 183

Division 6

Miscellaneous

543.	Disclosure of management contract	mel,	cf	CO	s 162A,	UKCA
		s 237	(2)(b), (3)	to (7)	

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin				
544.	Right of member to inspect and request copy	new provision	n, cf	UKCA		
		ss 237(8), 238				
545.	Contract with sole member who is also director	mel, cf CO s 162B				
546.	Financial Secretary may amend certain sums or	new provision	n, cf	UKCA		
	percentage figures	s 258(1), (3)				

Part 12

Company Administration and Procedure

Division 1

Resolutions and Meetings

Subdivision 1 – Preliminary

547.	Interpretation	new	provision,	cf	CO
		s 116BB	3(2), UKCA	ss 289,	290,
		298(2),	333(4)		

Subdivision 2 – Written Resolution

548.	Written resolution	mel, cf CO s 116B, UKCA s 288
549.	Power to propose written resolution	new provision, cf UKCA
		ss 288(3), 292(5)
550.	Company's duty to circulate written resolution	new provision, cf UKCA s 291(2)
	proposed by directors	
551.	Members' power to request circulation of written	new provision, cf CO ss 115A,
	resolution	116B, UKCA s 292(1), (3)
552.	Company's duty to circulate written resolution	new provision, cf CO ss 115A,
	proposed by members	116B, UKCA s 292(4) to (6)
553.	Circulation of written resolution	new provision, cf CO ss 115A,
		116B, UKCA ss 291, 293, 294,
		299
554.	Application not to circulate accompanying	new provision, cf CO ss 115A,
	statement	116B, UKCA s 295
555.	Company's duty to notify auditor of proposed	mel, cf CO s 116BA, UKCA
	written resolution	s 502
556.	Procedure for signifying agreement to proposed	mel, cf CO s 116B(1) to (3),
	written resolution	UKCA s 296
557.	Agreement signified by eligible members who	new provision, cf CO Table A
	are joint holders of shares	reg 65, UKCA s 286, ACA s 250F

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
558.	Period for agreeing to proposed written	new provision, cf UKCA s 297
	resolution	
559.	Company's duty to notify members and auditor	new provision, cf SCA s 184E(1)
	that written resolution has been passed	
560.	Sending document relating to written resolution	new provision, cf UKCA s 298(1)
	by electronic means	
561.	Relationship between this Subdivision and	mel, cf CO s 116BB(1), UKCA
	provisions of company's articles	s 300

$Subdivision \ 3-Resolutions \ at \ Meetings$

562.	General provisions	mel, cf CO s 116(4), UKCA
		ss 281(3), 301
563.	Ordinary resolution	new provision, cf UKCA s 282
564.	Special resolution	mel, cf CO s 116(1), (3), (5),
		UKCA s 283

$Subdivision\ 4-Calling\ Meetings$

565.	Directors' power to call general meeting	new provision, cf CO s 113,
		UKCA s 302
566.	Members' power to request directors to call	mel, cf CO ss 113, 114A(1)(b),
	general meeting	UKCA s 303
567.	Directors' duty to call general meeting requested	mel, cf CO s 113, UKCA s 304
	by members	
568.	Members' power to call general meeting at	mel, cf CO s 113(3) to (5), UKCA
	company's expense	s 305
569.	Members' power to call general meeting when	mel, cf CO s 114A(1)(b), Table A
	there is no director etc.	reg 51, ACA s 249F
570.	Power of Court to order meeting	mel, cf CO s 114B, UKCA s 306

$Subdivision\ 5-Notice\ of\ Meetings$

571.	Notice required of general meeting	mel, cf CO ss 114, 114A, 116(1),
		UKCA s 307, ACA s 249H, SCA
		s 177
572.	Manner in which notice to be given	mel, cf CO s 114A(1)(a), UKCA
		ss 308, 333(1)
573.	Publication of notice of general meeting on	new provision, cf UKCA s 309
	website	

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
574.	Persons entitled to receive notice of general meeting	mel, cf CO s 114A, UKCA s 310
575.	Duty to give notice of general meeting to auditor	mel, cf CO ss 140B(5), 141(7), UKCA s 502, ACA s 249K
576.	Contents of notice of general meeting	mel, cf CO ss 111(1), 155B(1)(a), (4) to (6), Table A reg 52, UKCA s 311
577.	Explanation of improving director's emoluments to be set out in notice of general meeting	mel, cf CO s 116A
578.	Resolution requiring special notice	mel, cf CO s 116C, UKCA s 312
579.	Accidental omission to give notice of meeting or resolution	mel, cf CO s 115A(6), Table A reg 53, UKCA s 313

Subdivision 6 – Members' Statements

580.	Members' power to request circulation of	mel, cf CO s 115A, UKCA s 314
	statement	
581.	Company's duty to circulate members' statement	mel, cf CO s 115A, UKCA s 315
582.	Expenses of circulating members' statement	mel, cf CO s 115A(4)(b), UKCA
		s 316
583.	Application not to circulate members' statement	mel, cf CO s 115A(5), UKCA
		s 317

Subdivision 7 – Procedure at Meetings

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584.	Meeting at 2 or more places	new provision, cf UKCA s 360A,		
		UK, The Companies (Model		
		Articles) Regulations 2008 art 29		
		for public companies, art 37 for		
		private companies, ACA s 249S		
585.	Quorum at meeting	mel, cf CO ss 114A(1)(c),		
		114AA, Table A reg 55, UKCA		
		s 318		
586.	Chairperson of meeting	mel, cf CO s 114A(1)(d), UKCA		
		s 319		
587.	Resolution passed at adjourned meeting	mel, cf CO s 118, UKCA s 332		

$Subdivision \ 8-Voting \ at \ Meetings$

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
588.	General rules on votes	mel, cf CO ss 114A(1)(e), (2)(b),
		Table A reg 64, UKCA s 284
589.	Votes of joint holders of shares	new provision, cf CO Table A reg
		65, UKCA s 286
590.	Declaration by chairperson on show of hands	new provision, cf CO Table A reg
		60, UKCA s 320
591.	Right to demand poll	mel, cf CO s 114D, Table A reg
		60, UKCA ss 321, 329
592.	Chairperson's duty to demand poll	new provision, cf CO Table A reg
		60(a)
593.	Voting on poll	mel, cf CO s 114E, UKCA s 322
594.	Company's duty to record result of poll in	new provision, cf HKEx, Main
	minutes of general meeting	Board Listing Rules r 13.39(5),
		ACA s 251AA(1)
595.	Saving for provisions of articles as to	new provision, cf UKCA s 287
	determination of entitlement to vote	

Subdivision 9 – Proxies and Corporate Representatives

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596.	Right to appoint proxy	mel, cf CO s 114C, UKCA s 324
597.	Notice of meeting to contain statement of rights	mel, cf CO s 114C(3), UKCA
	etc.	s 325
598.	Notice required of appointment of proxy etc.	mel, cf CO s 114C(4), UKCA 327
599.	Sending documents relating to proxies in	new provision, cf UKCA s 333
	electronic form	
600.	Company-sponsored invitations to appoint	mel, cf CO s 114C(5), (8), UKCA
	proxies	s 326
601.	Requirement as to instrument of proxy issued by	mel, cf CO s 114C(6)
	company	
602.	Chairing meeting by proxy	new provision, cf UKCA s 328
603.	Company-sponsored proxy's duty to vote in the	new provision, cf ACA
	way specified in appointment of proxy	s 250BB(1), (2)
604.	Notice required of termination of proxy's	new provision, cf UKCA s 330
	authority	

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
605.	Effect of member's voting in person on proxy's authority	new provision, cf UK, The Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 art 39(2) for public companies, art 46(1) for private companies
606.	Representation of body corporate at meetings	mel, cf CO s 115(1), (2), UKCA s 323
607.	Representation of recognized clearing house at meetings	mel, cf CO s 115(1A), (3)
608.	Saving for more extensive rights given by articles	New provision, cf UKCA s 331

$Subdivision\ 10-Annual\ General\ Meetings$

609.	Interpretation	new provision
610.	Requirement to hold annual general meeting	mel, cf CO ss 111, 122, UKCA
		s 336
611.	Exemption of dormant company from	mel, cf CO s 344A
	requirement to hold annual general meeting	
612.	Circumstances in which company not required to	mel for (1), cf CO s 111(6) and
	hold annual general meeting	new provision for (2) (for one
		member company or AGM
		dispensed with), SCA s 175A
613.	Dispensation with annual general meeting	new provision, cf SCA s 175A
614.	Revocation of resolution dispensing with annual	new provision, cf SCA s 175A
	general meeting	
615.	Members' power to request circulation of	mel, cf CO s 115A(1)(a), (2), (4),
	resolution for annual general meeting	UKCA s 338
616.	Company's duty to circulate resolution for annual	mel, cf CO s 115A(1)(a), (3), (6),
	general meeting	(7), UKCA s 339

Subdivision 11 – Records of Resolutions and Meetings

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617.	Written record where company has only one	mel, cf CO ss 116 BC, UKCA
	member	s 357
618.	Records of resolutions and meetings, etc.	mel, cf CO ss 116B, 116BC, 119,
		UKCA s 355
619.	Place where records must be kept	mel, cf CO s 119A, UKCA s 358
620.	Right to inspect and request copy	mel, cf CO s 120, UKCA s 358

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
621.	Records as evidence of resolutions etc.	mel, cf CO ss 116B(8), 116BC(2),
		119(2), (3), UKCA s 356
622.	Registration of and requirements relating to	mel, cf CO s 117, UKCA ss 29,
	certain resolutions, etc.	30, 32, 36

Subdivision 12 – Application to Class Meetings

623.	Application to class meetings of companies with	mel, cf CO ss 63A(6), (8),
	share capital	114C(8), 114E, 115, 118(b),
		UKCA s 334
624.	Application to class meetings of companies	new provision, cf UKCA s 335
	without share capital	

Division 2 Registers

$Subdivision\ 1-Preliminary$

625.	Interpretation	new provision
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$Subdivision\ 2-Register\ of\ Members$

626.	Interpretation	new provision
627.	Register of members	mel, cf CO s 95, UKCA s 113
628.	Place where register must be kept	mel, cf CO s 95(2) to (4), UKCA
		s 114
629.	Statement that company has only one member	mel, cf CO s 95A, UKCA s 123
630.	Index of members	mel, cf CO s 96, UKCA s 115
631.	Right to inspect and request copy	mel, cf CO s 98, UKCA s 116
632.	Power to close register of members	mel, cf CO s 99
633.	Power of Court to rectify register	mel, cf CO s 100, UKCA s 125
634.	Trusts not to be entered in register	mel, cf CO s 101, UKCA s 126
635.	Register to be proof in the absence of contrary	mel, cf CO s 102, UKCA ss 127,
	evidence	128
636.	Branch register of members	mel, cf CO s 103, UKCA ss 129,
		130, SCA s 196(1), (2), (7), (9)
637.	Keeping of branch register	mel, cf CO s 104, UKCA ss 131,
		132, SCA s 196(3), (4), (9)
638.	Transactions in shares registered in branch	mel, cf CO s 104(4), UKCA
	register	s 133, SCA s 196(5)

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
639.	Discontinuance of branch register	mel, cf CO s 104(5), UKCA s 135, SCA s 196(2), (6), (9)
640.	Provisions as to branch registers of non-Hong Kong companies kept in Hong Kong	mel, cf CO s 106, SCA s 196(8)

${\bf Subdivision~3-Register~of~Directors}$

641.	Register of directors	mel, cf CO ss 158, 158A, UKCA
		s 162
642.	Right to inspect and request copy	mel, cf CO ss 158(7), (8), UKCA
		s 162
643.	Particulars of directors to be registered	mel, cf CO s 158, UKCA ss 163,
		164, 166
644.	Protection of certain particulars from inspection	new provision, cf UKCA ss 240
		to 246
645.	Duty to notify Registrar of appointment and	mel, cf CO s 158, UKCA s 167
	change	
646.	Duty of director to make disclosure	mel, cf CO s 158B
647.	Registrar to keep an index of directors	mel, cf CO s 158C

Subdivision 4 – Register of Company Secretaries

648.	Register of company secretaries	mel, cf CO ss 158, 158A, UKCA
		s 275
649.	Right to inspect and request copy	mel, cf CO s 158(7), (8), UKCA
		s 275
650.	Particulars of company secretaries to be	mel, cf CO s 158, UKCA ss 277
	registered	to 279
651.	Protection of identification number from	new provision, cf UKCA ss 240
	inspection	to 246
652.	Duty to notify Registrar of appointment and	mel, cf CO s 158, UKCA s 276
	change	
653.	Duty of company secretary to make disclosure	mel, cf CO s 158B

Division 3

Company Records

654.	Meaning of company records	new provision, cf UKCA s 1134
655.	Form of company records	mel, cf CO s 348C(1) to (3),
		UKCA s 1135

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
656.	Duty to take precautions against falsification	mel, cf CO s 348C(4)
657.	Regulations about keeping and inspection of	new provision, cf UKCA ss 1136
	company records and provision of copies	and 1137

Registered Office and Publication of Company Names

658.	Registered office of company	mel, cf CO s 92, UKCA ss 86,
		87(1), (2)
659.	Requirement to disclose company name, etc.	new provision, cf CO s 93,
		UKCA s 82
660.	Criminal consequences of failure to make	new provision, cf CO s 93(5),
	required disclosures	UKCA s 84
661.	Civil consequence of failure to make required	mel, cf CO s 93(5)(b), UKCA
	disclosures	s 83

Division 5

Annual Return

662.	Requirement to deliver annual return	mel, cf CO ss 107, 109, UKCA
		ss 854, 858(1), (2)
663.	Exemption of dormant company from	mel cf CO s 344A(4), (6)(a)
	requirement to deliver annual return	
664.	Contents of annual return	mel, cf CO ss 107(1), (2), (4), (7),
		109(3); for subss (4) to (8), cf CO
		s 30
665.	Construction of reference to annual return	new provision, cf UKCA 2006
		(Commencement No. 8,
		Transitional Provisions and
		Savings) Order 2008 Sched 2
		s 81(3)

Part 13

Arrangements, Amalgamation, and Compulsory Share Acquisition in Takeover and Share Buy-Back

Division 1

Preliminary

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
666.	Interpretation	new provision, cf CO s 157H(9), 9 th and 13 th Schs
667.	Associate	mel, cf CO s 168(3)(a), UKCA s 988

Division 2

Arrangements and Compromises

668.	Interpretation	new provision, cf CO ss 166(5),
		167(5)
669.	Application of Division	new provision, CO s 166(1)
670.	Court may order meeting of creditors or members	mel, cf CO s 166(1)
	to be summoned	
671.	Explanatory statements to be issued or made	mel, cf CO s 166A
	available to creditors or members	
672.	Directors and trustees must notify company of	mel, cf CO s 166A(5)
	interests under arrangement or compromise etc.	
673.	Court may sanction arrangement or compromise	mel, cf CO s 166(2) to (4)
674.	Provision supplementary to section 673(1):	mel, cf CO s 166(2), ACA
	agreement to arrangement or compromise	s 411(4)(a)(ii)
675.	Court's additional powers to facilitate	mel, cf CO s 167(1) to (3), UKCA
	reconstruction or amalgamation	ss 900, 901(2), ACA s 413(1)(f),
		(4)
676.	Court may order costs	new provision
677.	Company's articles to be accompanied by order	mel, cf CO s 166(3), (4), UKCA
	of Court	s 901(3)

Division 3

Amalgamation of Companies within Group

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678.	Interpretation	new provision, cf CO s 124(4),
		NZCA s 222(4), SCA ss 5B,
		215D(4), (8)
679.	Solvency statement	new provision, cf CO s 47F,
		NZCA s 4(1), SCA ss 215D(5),
		215I(1), (3), 215J(1), (2)

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
680.	Vertical amalgamation	new provision, cf NZCA s 221(1),
		SCA s 215D(1)
681.	Horizontal amalgamation	new provision, cf NZCA s 222(2),
		SCA s 215D(2)
682.	Directors of amalgamating company must notify	new provision, cf NZCA s 222(3),
	secured creditors of proposed amalgamation	SCA s 215D(3)
683.	Director of amalgamating company must issue	new provision, cf NZCA s 222(5),
	certificate on solvency statement	(6), SCA ss 215D(6), (7), 215I(6),
		215J(5)
684.	Registration of amalgamation	new provision, cf NZCA
		ss 223-224, SCA ss 215E(1),
		215F(1), (4)
685.	Effective date of amalgamation	new provision, cf NZCA
		ss 224(2), 225, SCA ss 215F(2),
		(3), 215G, OBCA s 179(a.1)
686.	Court may intervene in amalgamation proposal in	new provision, cf NZCA s 226,
	certain cases	SCA s 215H

Division 4 Compulsory Acquisition after Takeover Offer Subdivision 1 – Preliminary

687.	Interpretation	new provision, cf CO s 168(3)(a)
688.	Application of Division to convertible securities	mel, cf CO s 168(2)
	and debentures	
689.	Takeover offer	mel, cf CO s 168(1), UKCA
		ss 974-976
690.	Non-communication etc. does not prevent offer	new provision, cf UKCA s 978
	from being takeover offer	
691.	Shares to which takeover offer relates	new provision, cf UKCA ss 977,
		979
692.	Revised offer not to be regarded as fresh offer	new provision, cf UKCA s 974(7)

$Subdivision\ 2-``Squeeze-out"$

693.	Offeror may give notice to buy out minority	mel, cf CO 9 th Sch, UKCA
	shareholders	ss 979(1) to (4), 986(9)
694.	Notice to minority shareholders	mel, cf CO 9 th Sch, UKCA
		ss 980(1)(2), 981(3), (4)

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
695.	Offeror's right to buy out minority shareholders	mel, cf CO 9 th Sch, UKCA
		ss 981(2), (3), (5), 986(1), (2)
696.	Obligations of offeror with right to buy out	mel, cf CO 9 th Sch para 7, UKCA
	minority shareholders	s 981(6), (7)
697.	Company must register offeror as shareholder	mel, cf CO 9 th Sch para 7, UKCA
		s 981(7)
698.	Company must hold consideration paid by	mel, cf CO 9 th Sch para 8, UKCA
	offeror on trust	ss 981(9), 982(2), (3)
699.	Provisions supplementary to section 698	new provision, cf UKCA
		s 982(4), (5), (7), (9)

$Subdivision \ 3-\text{``Sell-out''}$

700.	Offeror may be required to buy out minority	mel, cf CO s 168(3)(a), 9 th Sch
	shareholders	UKCA ss 983 to 985
701.	Offeror must notify minority shareholders of	mel, cf CO 9 th Sch para 11,
	right to be bought out	UKCA s 984(3), (4)
702.	Notice to minority shareholders	mel, cf CO 9 th Sch paras 11, 14,
		15, Cap 32B s 8, UKCA s 985(3)
703.	Minority shareholders' right to be bought out by	mel, cf CO 9 th Sch, UKCA
	offeror	s 985(1) to (3), (5)
704.	Shareholder to be regarded as not having	new provision, cf UKCA
	exercised right to be bought out in certain	s 983(6), (7)
	circumstances	

Division 5 Compulsory Acquisition after General Offer for Share Buy-back Subdivision 1 - Preliminary

705.	Interpretation	new provision, cf CO s 168(3)(a), 13 th Sch
706.	Application of Division to convertible securities	new provision
	and debentures	
707.	General offer	mel, cf CO s 49BA(9)
708.	Non-communication etc. does not prevent offer	new provision, cf UKCA s 978
	from being general offer	
709.	Shares to which general offer relates	new provision
710.	Revised offer not to be regarded as fresh offer	new provision
711.	Member may give notice that member will not	mel, cf CO 13 th Sch paras 1, 2
/11.	tender shares for buy-back under general offer	

$Subdivision\ 2-\text{``Squeeze-out''}$

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
712.	Repurchasing company may give notice to buy out minority shareholders	mel, cf CO 13 th Sch para 1, 2
713.	Notice to minority shareholders	mel, cf CO 13 th Sch paras 4, 7,
		Cap 32B s 8
714.	Repurchasing company's right to buy out	mel, cf CO 13 th Sch paras 4, 6
	minority shareholders	
715.	Obligations of repurchasing company with right	mel, cf CO 13 th Sch para 8
	to buy out minority shareholders	
716.	Repurchasing company must pay for shares to	mel, cf CO 13 th Sch paras 5, 8, 9
	which notice relates	
717.	Provisions supplementary to section 716	new provision

Subdivision 3 – "Sell-out"

718.	Repurchasing company may be required to buy	mel, cf CO 13 th Sch para 10
	out minority	
719.	Repurchasing company must notify minority	mel, cf CO 13 th Sch para 12
	shareholders of right to be bought out	
720.	Notice to minority shareholders	mel, cf CO 13 th Sch paras 12, 13,
		Cap 32B s 8
721.	Minority shareholders' right to be bought out by	mel, cf CO 13 th Sch paras 11, 13
	repurchasing company	

<u>Part 14</u>

${\bf Remedies\ for\ Protection\ of\ Companies'\ or\ Members'\ Interests}$

Division 1

Preliminary

722.	Interpretation	new provision
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Division 2

Remedies for Unfair Prejudice to Members' Interests

723.	Interpretation	new provision, cf CO s 168A
724.	When Court may order remedies	mel, cf CO s 168A(1), (2), (2A),
		UKCA s 994(1)
725.	Remedies that Court may order	mel, cf CO s 168A(2), (2B), (2C),
		UKCA s 996

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
726.	Alteration of articles by order of Court	mel, cf CO s 168A(3), (4)
727.	Chief Justice may make rules	new provision

Remedies for Other's Conduct in relation to Companies etc.

728.	Application of section 729	mel, cf CO s 350B
729.	Court may order remedies	mel, cf CO s 350B
730.	Provisions supplementary to section 729	mel, cf CO s 350B

Division 4

Derivative Action for Remedies for Misconduct against Companies etc.

731.	Interpretation	new provision, cf CO ss 168BA,
		168BB
732.	Member of company or of associated company	new provision, cf CO s 168BC,
	may bring or intervene in proceedings	UKCA s 260
733.	Leave of Court to bring or intervene in	mel, cf CO ss 168BC, 168BD
	proceedings	
734.	Approval or ratification of conduct does not bar	mel, cf CO s 168BF
	derivative action	
735.	No discontinuance or settlement of proceedings	mel, cf CO s 168BJ
	without leave of Court	
736.	Court may dismiss derivative proceedings	mel, cf CO s 168BE
	brought by member under common law etc.	
737.	Court's general powers to order and direct	mel, cf CO s 168BG
738.	Court may order costs	mel, cf CO s 168BI

Division 5

Members' Inspection of Company's Records

739.	Interpretation	new provision		
740.	Court may order inspection of records or	mel, cf CO ss 152 FA, 152FB		
	documents			
741.	Preservation of secrecy	mel, cf CO s 152FC		
742.	Legal professional privilege	mel, cf CO s 152FD		
743.	Protection of personal data	mel, cf CO s 152FE		

Part 15

Dissolution by Striking off or Deregistration

Division 1

Striking off

Subdivision 1 – Registrar's Power to Strike off Name of Company not in Operation or Carrying on Business

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin		
744.	Registrar may send inquiry letter to company	mel, cf CO s 291(1), (5), (8)		
745.	Registrar must follow up under certain circumstances	mel, cf CO s 291(2), (3)		
746.	Registrar may strike off company's name	mel, cf CO s 291(6)		

$Subdivision\ 2-Striking\ off\ under\ Other\ Circumstances$

747.	Registrar's duty to act in case of company being	mel, cf CO s 291(4)
	wound up	
748.	Court may strike off name of company not	mel, cf CO s 291A
	appropriate to be wound up	

Division 2

Deregistration

749.	Interpretation	mel, cf CO ss 291AA(16),
		360(5), 16 th Sch
750.	Application for deregistration	mel, cf CO s 291AA(1) to (5)
751.	Registrar may deregister company	mel, cf CO s 291AA(7) to (11)

Division 3

Property of Dissolved Company and Other Miscellaneous Matters

Topere	y of Dissolved Company and Other Miscenancou	5 1/14/00/15
752.	Dissolved company's property vested in	mel, cf CO s 292(1), (2), ACA
	Government	601AE(3), (4)
753.	Disclaimer of dissolved company's property	mel, cf CO s 290C
754.	Effect of disclaimer	mel, cf CO s 290D
755.	Court may make vesting order	new provision, cf UKCA s 1017
756.	Liabilities of directors etc. of dissolved company	mel, cf CO ss 291(6)(a),
	continue	291AA(12)
757.	Registrar may act as dissolved company's or	mel, cf CO s 291B (less (3) now
	liquidator's representative	s 63(1))
758.	Former director must keep dissolved company's	mel, cf CO s 292(3) to (5)
	books and papers for 6 years	

Section	New Companies Ordinance			Origi	n
759.	Court's power to wind up dissolved companies	mel,	cf	CO	ss 291(6)(b),
		291A	A(13))		

Division 4 Restoration to Companies Register

Subdivision 1-Administrative Restoration by Registrar

760.	Application to Registrar for restoration of	new provision, cf UKCA ss 1024,
	company	1026
761.	Conditions for granting application	new provision, cf UKCA s 1025
762.	Registrar's decision on application	new provision, cf UKCA s 1027
763.	Registrar may restore company deregistered by	mel, cf CO s 291AB(1)
	mistake	
764.	Effect of restoration	mel, cf CO s 291(7), UKCA
		s 1028

Subdivision 2 – Restoration by Order of Court

765.	Application to Court for restoration	mel, cf CO ss 291(7), 291A(2),
		291AB(2)
766.	When application must be made	mel, cf CO ss 291(7), 291A(2),
		291AB(2), UKCA s 1030(1), (5),
		(6)
767.	Court's decision on application	mel, cf CO ss 291(7), 291A(2),
		291AB(2), (4), UKCA ss 1030,
		(2), (3), 1031(2)
768.	Effect of restoration	mel, cf CO ss 291(7), 291A(2),
		291AB(3), (5), UKCA s 1032

Subdivision 3 – Supplementary Provisions

769.	Company's name on restoration	new provision
770.	Company must change prohibited name	new provision
771.	Registrar may direct company to change same or	new provision
	similar name etc.	
772.	Registrar may change company name in case of	new provision
	failure to comply with direction	
773.	Effect of restoration on bona vacantia property or	mel, cf CO s 292A, UKCA s 1034
	right	

Part 16

Non-Hong Kong Companies

Division 1

Preliminary

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
774.	Interpretation	mel, cf CO ss 333(2)(e), (5), 341,
		341(2)(e), 360(10), 24 th Sch
775.	Certified copy	mel, cf CO ss 341(1), 359A(1),
		Cap 32B reg 3

Division 2

Registration

776.	Certain non-Hong Kong companies must apply	mel, cf CO ss 332, 333(1), (2),
	for registration	(3), (9), 340
777.	Registration of non-Hong Kong company	mel, cf CO s 333AA(2)

Division 3

Addition, Change or Cessation of Corporate Name

778.	Company must notify Registrar of addition,	mel, cf CO ss 335(2), 340
	change or cessation of name or translation of	
	name	
779.	Registration of corporate name	new provision, cf CO s 335(3)

Division 4

Regulation of Names Used by Registered Non-Hong Kong Companies to Carry on Business in Hong Kong

780.	Registrar may serve notice to regulate use of	mel, cf CO s 337B(1), (2), (2A)
	corporate names or approved names	
781.	Effect of notice	mel, cf CO s 337B(5), (7)
782.	Registration of approved name for carrying on	mel, cf CO s 337B(3)(a), (4)
	business in Hong Kong	
783.	Withdrawal of notice	mel, cf CO s 337B(6A), (6B)
784.	Appeal against decision to serve notice	mel, cf CO s 337B(6)
785.	Change of approved name	mel, cf CO s 337B(3)(b), (4)

Division 5 Authorized Representatives of Registered Non-Hong Kong Companies

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
786.	Company must keep authorized representative's	mel, cf CO ss 333A, 340
	required details registered in Companies Register	
787.	Termination of authorization	mel, cf CO s 333B

Division 6 Returns and Accounts of Registered Non-Hong Kong Companies

	8 8	±
788.	Company must deliver annual return for	mel, cf CO ss 334(1), (2), 340
	registration	
789.	Company must deliver accounts for registration	mel, cf CO ss 336(1) to (3), 340
790.	Directors may revise accounts not complying	mel, cf CO ss 336A, 340
	with certain requirement	
791.	Company must deliver return for registration in	mel, cf CO ss 335(1), 340
	case of change of certain particulars	

Division 7 Other Obligations

792.	Non-Hong Kong company must state names,	mel, cf CO ss 337, 340
	place of incorporation, etc.	
793.	Registered non-Hong Kong company must notify	mel, cf CO ss 158(10)(b), (e),
	Registrar of commencement of liquidation etc.	337A, 340, 341(2)(c)
794.	Registered non-Hong Kong company must notify	mel, cf CO ss 339 to 340
	Registrar of cessation of place of business in	
	Hong Kong	
795.	Authorized representative of registered non-Hong	mel, cf CO ss 339AA, 340
	Kong company must notify Registrar of	
	dissolution	

Division 8 Striking off

796.	Registrar may send inquiry letter to registered	mel, cf CO ss 291(1) to (3), (5),
	non-Hong Kong company	(6), 339A
797.	Registrar must follow up under certain circumstances	new provision, cf CO ss 291(2)
798.	Registrar may strike off registered non-Hong Kong company's name	mel, cf CO s 291(1)

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
799.	Application to Registrar for restoration of	new provision
	non-Hong Kong company	
800.	Conditions for granting application	new provision
801.	Registrar's decision on application	new provision

Miscellaneous

802.	Registrar to keep index of directors	mel, cf CO s 333C
803.	Service of process or notice	mel, cf CO s 338
804.	Financial Secretary may make regulations	mel, cf CO s 359A(3)(b), (5), (6)
805.	Financial Secretary may make regulations	new provision

<u>Part 17</u>

Companies not Formed, but Registrable, under this Ordinance

Division 1

Preliminary

806.	Interpretation	new provision
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Division 2

Registration of Eligible Companies

807.	Registrar may register eligible company	mel, cf CO ss 310(1), 313
808.	General restrictions on Registrar's power to	mel, cf CO ss 310(1)(b), (c), 317
	register	
809.	Registrar must not register without members'	mel, cf CO s 310(1)(e), (f), (2)
	assent	
810.	Registrar must not register without resolution	mel, cf CO s 310(1)(g)
	declaring amount of guarantee	
811.	Eligible company must pay registration fee	mel, cf CO s 318
812.	Registrar must issue certificate of registration	mel, cf CO s 318

Division 3

Consequences of Registration

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813.	Application of Division	mel, cf CO s 322(1)
814.	Status, property, rights and liabilities of eligible	mel, cf CO ss 318 to 320
	company	
815.	Continuation of existing proceedings	mel, cf CO s321
816.	Continuation of existing constitutional document	mel, cf CO s322(2)

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
817.	Eligible company may substitute articles for	mel, cf CO s323
	non-statutory constitutional document	
818.	This Ordinance applies to eligible company	mel, cf CO s322(3), (4)(a)
819.	Exceptions to section 818(1)	mel, cf CO s322(3)(a), (c)
820.	Eligible company's power to alter constitution	mel, cf CO s322(6)

<u>Part 18</u>

Communications to and by Companies

Division 1

Preliminary

821.	Interpretation	mel, cf CO s 168BAA
822.	Minimum period specified for purposes of	mel, cf CO s 168BAB
	sections 828(3), 831(4) and 833(6)	
823.	Period specified for purposes of sections	mel, cf CO s 168BAC
	828(7)(a), 831(7)(a) and 833(12)(b)	
824.	Time specified for purposes of sections	mel, cf CO s 168BAD
	828(7)(b), 829(5)(a), 831(7)(b) and 832(5)(a)	
825.	Address specified for purposes of sections	mel, cf CO s 168BAE
	831(3)(b)(iii) and 832(2)(b)	
826.	Effect of this Part on sending documents etc. to	new provision, cf UKCA
	Registrar	s 1143(3)

Division 2

Service of Document on Company

827.	Service of document	mel, cf CO s 356
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Division 3

Other Communication to Company by Person who is not Company

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828.	Communication in electronic form	new provision, cf UKCA
		s 1146(3), (4) Part 3 Sched 4
829.	Communication in hard copy form	new provision, cf UKCA
		s 1146(2), (4), Part 2 Sched 4
830.	Communication in other forms	new provision, cf UKCA Part 4
		Sched 4

Other Communication by Company to Another Person

New Companies Ordinance	Origin
Communication in electronic form	mel, cf CO s 168BAG
Communication in hard copy form	mel, cf CO s 168BAF
Communication by means of website	mel, cf CO s 168BAH
Communication in other forms	new provision, UKCA Part 5 Sched 5
Joint holders of shares or debentures	new provision, cf CO Table A reg 133, UKCA Part 6 Sched 5
Death or bankruptcy of holder of shares	new provision, cf CO Table A reg 134
Member or debenture holder may require hard copy	mel, cf CO s 168BAI
	Communication in electronic form Communication in hard copy form Communication by means of website Communication in other forms Joint holders of shares or debentures Death or bankruptcy of holder of shares

Part 19

Investigations and Enquiries

Division 1

Preliminary

838.	Interpretation	new provision, cf CO s 145(5),
		SFO Part 1 Sched 1, FRCO s 2(1)

Division 2

Investigation of Company's Affairs by Inspectors

Subdivision 1 – Preliminary

839. Interpretation new provision

Subdivision 2 – Appointment by Financial Secretary of Inspectors to Investigate Company's Affairs

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840.	Appointment of inspector on application by	mel, cf CO ss 142, 143(1)(b)
	company or members	
841.	Appointment of inspector on Court's or Financial	mel, cf CO ss 143(1)(a), (c), (2),
	Secretary's initiative	146A
842.	Notice of appointment as inspector to be	mel, cf CO s 151
	delivered to Registrar	

Subdivision 3 – Financial Secretary's Powers to Give Directions to Inspectors

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
843.	General power of Financial Secretary to give	new provision, cf UKCA 1985
	directions regarding investigation	s 446A(1), (4)
844.	Financial Secretary may give directions	new provision, cf UKCA 1985
	regarding subject matter of investigation etc.	s 446A(2), (3), (5)
845.	Financial Secretary may give directions to	new provision, cf UKCA 1985
	terminate or suspend investigation	s 446B(1), (2)

Subdivision 4 – Inspectors' Powers

846.	Inspector may require production of records and	mel, cf CO ss 145(1), (1A), (2),
	documents etc.	s 150(b), SFO s 183(1)(d), (4),
		FRCO s 28(1)(c), (5)
847.	Inspector may require production of director's	mel, cf CO s 145B
	accounts	
848.	Provisions supplementary to sections 846 and	new provision, cf SFO ss 179,
	847: powers to require explanation etc.	183, FRCO ss 27, 28
849.	Inspector may exercise powers in relation to	mel, cf CO s 144
	associated body corporate	
850.	Delegation of powers by inspector	mel, cf CO s 145A

Subdivision 5 – Resignation, Removal and Replacement of Inspectors

851.	Resignation of inspector	new provision, cf UKCA 1985			
		s 446C(1)			
852.	Revocation of appointment of inspector by	new provision, cf UKCA 1985			
	Financial Secretary	s 446C(2)			
853.	Appointment of replacement inspector	new provision, cf UKCA 1985			
		s 446D(1), (2)			
854.	Former inspector must hand over documents etc.	new provision, cf UKCA 1985			
		s 446E(1) to (4), (6)			

Subdivision 6 – Reports by Inspectors

855.	Interim report to be made by inspector etc.	mel, cf CO s 146(1), (4), UKCA
		1985 ss 437(1A), 446B(3)
856.	Final report to be made by inspector etc.	mel, cf CO ss 146(1), 151, UKCA 1985 s 446B(4)
857.	Interim report or final report may cover affairs of associated body corporate	mel, cf CO s 144

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858.	Inspector must send report to affected persons	new provision, cf FRCO s 35(4)				
	etc.					
859.	Financial Secretary to file copies of inspector's	mel, cf CO s 146(3)(a)(iv)				
	report with Court					
860.	Financial Secretary may send copies of	mel, cf CO s 146(3)(a)(i) to (iii),				
	inspector's report to applicants of investigation	UKCA 1985 s 437(3)(a), (b)				
	etc.					
861.	Publication of inspector's report	mel, cf CO s 146(3)(b), (c)				
862.	Inspector's report to be evidence	mel, cf CO s 149, FRCO ss 35(7),				
		47(7)				

${\bf Subdivision}~{\bf 7-Miscellaneous}$

863.	Offences for failing to comply with requirements	new provision, cf CO s 145(3A),				
	under Subdivision 4 etc.	SFO ss 184(1) to (4), 185(3)(b),				
		FRCO s 31				
864.	Inspector may apply to Court to inquire into	mel, cf CO s 145(3), SFO				
	failure to comply with requirements under	s 185(1)(a), (3)(a), FRCO				
	Subdivision 4	s 32(2)(a), (4)				
865.	Use of incriminating evidence in proceedings	mel, cf CO s 145(3A), (3AA),				
		SFO s 187, FRCO s 30				
866.	Expenses of investigation	mel, cf CO s 148(1), (2), (4),				
		UKCA 1985 s 439(1)				

Division 3 Enquiry into Company's Affairs by Financial Secretary

867.	Interpretation	new provision
868.	Circumstances under which Financial Secretary	mel, cf CO s 152A(1)
	may enquire into company's affairs	
869.	Financial Secretary may require production of	mel, cf CO ss 152A(1) to (3),
	records and documents etc.	152F(2), SFO s 179(6), FRCO
		s 25(4)
870.	Financial Secretary may delegate powers under	mel, cf CO s 152A(1)
	section 869	
871.	Offences for failing to comply with requirements	mel, cf CO ss 152A(4), (5), 152E,
	under section 869 etc.	SFO s 179(13) to (16), FRCO
		s 31
872.	Use of incriminating evidence in proceedings	mel, cf CO s 152A(5), (6), SFO
		s 187, FRCO s 30

Division 4 Enquiry by Registrar

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
873.	Registrar may require production of records and	new provision
	documents etc.	mirrors s 869 of new CO
874.	Registrar may delegate powers under section 873	new provision
		mirrors s 870 of new CO
875.	Offences for failing to comply with requirements	new provision
	under section 873 etc.	mirrors s 871 of new CO
876.	Use of incriminating evidence in proceedings	new provision
		mirrors s 872 of new CO

Division 5
Supplementary Provisions to Divisions 2, 3 and 4
Subdivision 1 – Supplementary Provisions Applicable to Divisions 2 and 3

877.	Magistrate's warrants	mel, cf CO s 152B, SFO s 191,
		FRCO s 34
878.	Officers must give assistance in prosecution	mel, cf CO s 147(1)
	instituted as a result of investigation etc.	
879.	Proceedings on specified materials	mel, cf CO ss 147(2), 168J(1),
		350B(1), (3), (7)
880.	Preservation of secrecy	mel, cf CO s 152C(1), SFO
		s 378(1), (15), FRCO s 51(1),
		(13)
881.	Permitted disclosure and restrictions	mel, cf CO s 152C(1), (3), SFO
		s 378(2), (3), etc., FRCO s 51(2)
		to (8), (12)
882.	Offences on breach of secrecy	mel, cf CO s 152C(2), SFO
		s 378(10), (11), FRCO s 51(9) to
		(11)

$Subdivision\ 2-Supplementary\ Provisions\ Applicable\ to\ Divisions\ 2,\ 3\ and\ 4$

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883.	Interpretation	new provision
884.	Protection in relation to certain disclosures	new provision, cf UKCA 1985
		s 448A
885.	Protection of informers etc.	new provision, cf FRCO s 52
886.	Legal professional privilege	mel, cf CO ss 150(a), 152F, SFO
		s 380(4), (5), FRCO s 56

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin					
887.	Immunity	mel, cf CO s 145(3B), SFO					
		s 380(1), (3), FRCO s 54					
888.	Production of information in information systems	new provision, cf SFO s 189,					
	etc.	FRCO s 57					
889.	Lien claimed on records or documents	mel, cf CO s 152A(2), SFO s 188,					
		FRCO s 58					
890.	Destruction of documents	mel, cf CO s 152D, SFO s 192,					
		FRCO s 59					
891.	Inspection of records or documents seized etc.	new provision, cf SFO s 190,					
		FRCO s 33					

Investigation of Company's Affairs by Persons Appointed by Company

892.	Appointment of person by company to	mel, cf CO s 152(1) to (3)
	investigate its affairs	
893.	Court may inquire into failure of officer or agent	mel, cf CO s 152(4)
	to attend before appointed person etc.	
894.	Report by appointed person	mel, cf CO s 152(5), (6)

Part 20

Miscellaneous

Division 1

Miscellaneous Offences

895.	Offence for false statement	mel,	cf	CO	s 349,	UKCA
		s 1112	2(1)			
896.	Offence for improper use of "Limited" or "有限	mel, c	f CC	s 350		
	公司"etc.					

Division 2

Miscellaneous Provisions relating to Investigation or Enforcement Measures

897.	Court may order inspection or production of	mel, cf CO s 351B (without (3))
	records or documents if offence suspected	
898.	Enforcement of requirements by order of Court	mel, cf CO s 306, UKCA
		s 1113(1)
899.	Registrar may give notice to suspected offender	new provision, cf ACA s 1313
	about not instituting proceedings under certain	
	conditions	

Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
900.	Limitation on commencement of proceedings	mel, cf CO s 351A
901.	Application of fines	mel, cf CO s 352

Miscellaneous Provisions relating to Misconduct by Officer or Auditor of Company

902.	Interpretation	mel, cf CO s 358(1), (2), (4)
903.	Court may grant company officer etc. relief in	mel, cf CO s 358(1), (3)
	proceedings for misconduct	
904.	Court may grant company officer etc. relief for	mel, cf CO s 358(2)
	misconduct on officer's application	

Division 4

Other Miscellaneous Provisions

905.	Costs in action by company etc.	mel, cf CO s 357
906.	Saving as to private prosecution	mel, cf CO s 354
907.	Saving for privileged communication	mel, cf CO s 355, UKCA s 1129
908.	Paperless holding and transfer of shares and	new provision
	debentures	
909.	Power to make regulations	mel, cf CO s 359A(1)
910.	Supplementary provisions for regulations made	mel, cf CO s 49Q(3), (b), (c),
	under this Ordinance	UKCA s 1292(1)
911.	Financial Secretary and Registrar may amend	mel, cf CO s 360(5)
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Consequential Amendments, and Transitional and Saving Provisions

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Consequential and Related Amendments

912.	Amendments to enactments	new provision, cf SFO ss 407(2),
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Division 2

Transitional and Saving Provisions

913.	Transitional and saving provisions	new provision, cf SFO ss 407(1),
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Section	New Companies Ordinance	Origin
914.	Extended effect of saving provision	mel, cf CO s 366, UK Companies
		Act 2006 (Commencement No. 8
		Transitional Provisions and
		Savings) Order 2008 Sched 2
		paras 115(1), 116(2)
915.	Offence for false statement	new provision, to save effect of
		CO s 349
916.	Limitation on commencement of proceedings	new provision, to save effect of
		CO s 351A
917.	Application of fines	new provision, to save effect of
		CO s 352
918.	Saving as to private prosecution	new provision, to save effect of
		CO s 354
919.	Saving for privileged communication	new provision, to save effect of
		CO s 355

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920.	This Part etc. not to derogate from section 23 of	new provision, cf SFO s 408
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921.	Continuity of law	new provision, cf UKCA s 1297

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