

Registration in the Commercial (First) Election Committee Subsector (“SS”)

1. Who is eligible to be registered

Your body is eligible to be registered if your body satisfies the requirements as set out in row (A) and (B) in the table below:

(A) Bodies eligible to register as voters	(Section 39B of the Schedule to Cap. 569) Any body that— (a) is a corporate member of The Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce; and (b) is entitled to vote at the General Committee of the Chamber.
(B) The “3-year operation” requirement	(Section 12(20) of the Schedule to Cap. 569) A body that has been a corporate member of the relevant body and has been operating for the 3 years immediately before making its application for registration as a voter for this SS.

2. References to entitlement to vote at general meeting of or specified authority within body

According to section 11A of the Schedule to Cap. 569,

- (1) A reference to an entitlement to vote at a general meeting of a body/ the specified authority* within a body is a reference to an entitlement to vote at the general meeting/ the specified authority as provided by the body’s constitution.
- (2) A body (*first-mentioned body*) is also regarded as being entitled to vote at the specified authority within another body if a natural person who is entitled to vote at that authority—
 - (i) specifies in writing to the Electoral Registration Officer that the natural person represents the first-mentioned body at that authority; and
 - (ii) has substantial connection with the first-mentioned body; and
- (3) If more than one body is specified by the same natural person under item (2)(i) in respect of the specified authority within any other body, only the body last so specified is regarded as being entitled to vote at that authority.

3. Points to note

- (a) If your body meets the eligibilities for registration as described in Part 1, your body may complete and submit the **“Election Committee Subsector Voter (Body) Application for New Registration/Report on Change of Particulars” (REO-SS(B))** to apply for registration in this SS; and

*Specified authority, in relation to a body, means any authority within the body (other than a general meeting) the entitlement to vote at which is mentioned in the relevant provision that provides for the specified entities of a SS.

- (b) Please read carefully the notes in the application form, in particular the following:
- (1) If item (2) of Part 2 above is applicable to your body, i.e. a natural person who represents your body is entitled to vote at the specified authority within another body, the person concerned must complete Part 3 of the application form; and
 - (2) If your body wishes to submit a new application for registration in this SS, you must complete Part 4 of the application form to appoint an authorized representative for the purpose of casting your body's vote at an election.