

**Telecommunication Authority of Singapore (Amendment) Act 1998
(No. 15 of 1998)**

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The following Act was passed by Parliament on 20th March 1998 and assented to by the President on 2nd May 1998:—

TELECOMMUNICATION AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE (AMENDMENT)
ACT 1998

(No. 15 of 1998)

I assent.

ONG TENG CHEONG,
President.
2nd May 1998.

Date of Commencement: 15th May 1998

An Act to amend the Telecommunication Authority of Singapore Act (Chapter 323 of the 1993 Revised Edition).

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the Telecommunication Authority of Singapore (Amendment) Act 1998 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Amendment of section 2

2. Section 2(1) of the Telecommunication Authority of Singapore Act (referred to in this Act as the principal Act) is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "Chief Executive", the following definition:

“ “code of practice” means a code of practice issued or approved under section 115A;”;

- (b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "postal article", the following definition:

“ “postal licensee” means a person to whom a licence has been granted under section 42;”;

- (c) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "subsidiary", the following definition:

“ “telecommunication licensee” means a person to whom a licence has been granted under section 26;”;

- (d) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "telecommunication system", the following definition:

“ “telecommunication system licensee” means a person licensed under section 26 to operate a telecommunication system;”.

Amendment of section 6

3. Section 6(1) of the principal Act is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (c), the following paragraph:

“(ca) to create an economic regulatory framework for the operation and provision of telecommunication and postal systems and services which promotes and safeguards competition and fair and efficient market conduct or, in the absence of a competitive market, which prevents the misuse of monopoly or market power;”;

- (b) by deleting the words "81 to 88" in the third line of subsection (6) and substituting the words "81, 82, 83, 85 to 88";

- (c) by deleting the words "50 to 59" in the third line of subsection (7) and substituting "56, 58, 59"; and
- (d) by deleting the words "82 to 86" in the third line of subsection (7) and substituting "82, 83, 85, 86".

Amendment of section 26

4. Section 26(2) of the principal Act is amended —

(a) by deleting paragraph (a) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(a) the licensee to enter into agreements or arrangements with any person, class of persons or another telecommunication licensee for —

- (i) the interconnection of, and access to, telecommunication systems;
- (ii) the sharing of installation or plant used for telecommunications belonging to any telecommunication licensee; and
- (iii) such other purpose as may be specified in the licence,

and on such terms and conditions as may be agreed to by the licensee and such other persons or licensees or, in default of agreement, as may be determined by the Authority;”;

(b) by deleting the full-stop at the end of paragraph (b) and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraphs:

“(c) the licensee to comply with any direction given by the Authority as to such matters as are specified in the licence or are of a description so specified;

(d) the licensee to comply with codes of practice and standards of performance that are applicable to the licensee; and

(e) the licensee to do or not to do such things as are specified in the licence or are of a description so specified.”.