

**Singapore Tourism Board Act
(CHAPTER 305B)**

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SINGAPORE TOURISM BOARD ACT

(CHAPTER 305B)

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An Act for the establishment of the Singapore Tourism Board and of the Tourism Fund and for matters connected therewith.

[1st January 1964]

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Singapore Tourism Board Act.

Interpretation

2. In this Act —

“associate member” means an associate member of the Board appointed under section 6;

“Board” means the Singapore Tourism Board established under section 3;

“Chairman” means the Chairman of the Board;

“Chief Executive” means the Chief Executive of the Board appointed under section 10(1) and includes any acting Chief Executive appointed under section 10(3);

“financial year” means a period of 12 months beginning on 1st April;

“Fund” means the Tourism Fund established under section 15;

“member” means a member of the Board appointed under section 5;

“tourism enterprise” means all or any of the following:

- (a) any business which provides national or international carriage for passengers;

- (b) any business which, either wholly or in part, provides or arranges services for visitors to Singapore by way of transport, accommodation, tours or guides, whether or not such services are provided within or outside Singapore;
- (c) any business which, either wholly or in part, distributes for the purpose of trade or retails tourism-related products;
- (d) any other undertaking, including any convention, exhibition, show, fair, publicity campaign or theme park, intended wholly or in part for the benefit of, or for the purpose of attracting, visitors to Singapore;

“tourism-related product” means any product, primarily intended for sale to visitors to Singapore, that —

- (a) depicts any scenery or tourist attraction of Singapore;
- (b) bears the Merlion symbol, a representation of which is set out in the First Schedule; or
- (c) has any other characteristic that the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, declare.

[4/72; 33/75; 9/97]

PART II

ESTABLISHMENT, INCORPORATION AND CONSTITUTION OF BOARD

Establishment of Singapore Tourism Board

3.—(1) There shall be established in accordance with the provisions of this Act a body to be called the Singapore Tourism Board.

[33/75; 9/97]

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(2) The Board shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal with power, subject to the provisions of this Act —

- (a) to acquire and dispose of property, both movable and immovable;
- (b) to sue and be sued in its corporate name; and
- (c) to perform such other acts as bodies corporate may by law perform.

[33/75]

Chairman of Board

4. The Minister shall appoint a Chairman of the Board who shall, subject to the provisions of this Act, hold office for such period and on such terms as the Minister may determine.

Constitution of Board

5.—(1) The Board shall consist of —

- (a) the Chairman;
- (b) the Chief Executive; and
- (c) 10 other members to be appointed by the Minister.

[4/72; 9/97]

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(2) The members of the Board appointed by the Minister under subsection (1)(c) shall, unless their appointment is revoked by the Minister under subsection (7) or they resign during their period of office, hold office for a term of 3 years or for such shorter period as the Minister may in any case determine.

[4/72; 9/97]

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(3) The Minister may appoint a member of the Board to be Deputy Chairman of the Board.

(4) The Deputy Chairman may preside at meetings of the Board in the absence of the Chairman.

(5) A member of the Board shall not, in any meeting of the Board, participate in any discussion relating to, and shall not vote in respect of, any contract, business or other matter in which he is interested, and if he does so his vote shall not be counted.

(6) The members of the Board shall be paid out of the funds of the Board such salaries, fees or allowances as the Minister may determine.

(7) The Minister may at any time revoke the appointment of the Chairman or of any other member of the Board.

Associate members

6.—(1) The Board may appoint a person carrying on any business in Singapore to be an associate member of the Board.

[4/72]

(2) An associate member shall —

- (a) be granted an emblem and a certificate to be prescribed by the Board in recognition of his associate membership;