

**ASEAN FRAMEWORK
AGREEMENT ON SERVICES**

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Final List of MFN Exemptions



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Sector or sub sector	Description of measure indicating its inconsistency with Article II	Countries to which the measure applies	Intended duration	Conditions creating the need for the exemption
<p>All Sectors: Presence of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - unskilled and semi-skilled natural persons - skilled persons (include craftsmen skilled in a particular trade, but exclude specialists/professional personnel at management level) 	<p>Preference for workers from traditional sources of supply</p>	<p>Traditional sources</p>	<p>Indefinite</p> <p>Singapore will periodically review this in the light of domestic and national policy considerations</p>	<p>Due to land constraints and the fundamental need for social cohesion among the multi-racial population, the Government needs to regulate the flow of foreign workers, both skilled and unskilled, to ensure that Singapore is not overpopulated and foreigners who could potentially disrupt social order are not admitted</p>
<p>All sectors: Investment Guarantee Agreements (IGAs)</p>	<p>Investment guarantee, i.e. obligations to protect foreign investments from unforeseen contingencies such as nationalisation, war, etc. are accorded only to co-signatories of Investment Guarantee Agreements</p>	<p>All countries.</p>	<p>Indefinite</p> <p>Singapore will periodically review this in the light of international developments</p>	<p>Currently, many countries' obligations to protect foreign investments from unforeseen contingencies are governed by the provisions established under bilateral investment guarantee agreements. The agreements also help to provide the economic and political guarantees for the promotion of bilateral relations</p>



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<p>All Sectors: Commonwealth Tax Credit Scheme</p>	<p>Section 48 of the Income Tax Act provides for the granting of relief against Singapore tax payable on income derived from a Commonwealth country</p>	<p>Commonwealth countries which grant reciprocal relief</p>	<p>Indefinite Singapore will periodically review this in the light of international developments</p>	<p>This is part of Singapore's cooperation among Commonwealth members</p>
<p>Legal Services</p>	<p>All measures pertaining to the provision of legal services in Singapore</p>	<p>All countries</p>	<p>Indefinite Singapore will keep the possibility of removing this exemption under review</p>	<p>The exemption is necessary as the establishment of foreign law firms in Singapore is based on case-by-case approval</p>
<p>Broadcasting Broadcasting is defined to include: - Free-to-air broadcasting - Cable and pay television - Direct broadcast by satellite - Tele text - All broadcasting services listed in Services Sectoral Classification list, MTN.GNS/W/120</p>	<p>The Ministry of Information, Communications & The Arts, Singapore accords preferential broadcast and transmission rights to selected countries with which it has signed bilateral agreements</p>	<p>All countries.</p>	<p>Singapore will keep the possibility of removing this exemption under review</p>	<p>To promote social, economic and cultural relations</p>



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Computer reservation systems	Market access and national treatment are based on reciprocity in mutual concessions, but not necessarily in the same areas, as established under bilateral Air Services Agreements	All countries.	Indefinite Singapore will periodically review this in the light of international developments	Currently, the conditions and level of market access granted in air transport services are primarily governed by other multilateral agreements and/or bilateral air services agreements. In addition, the "Annex on Air Transport Services" contained in the GATS currently has only limited application to measures affecting the air transport services sector.
Maritime Transport Services: - Storage and warehousing - Freight forwarding - Inland trucking - Container station and depot services	The undertaking of the commitments to bind the current level of market access and treatment to services and services supplier, in the 4 sub sectors will be through the conclusion of bilateral shipping agreements	All countries.	Indefinite Singapore will periodically review this in the light of international developments	Some of Singapore's trading partners do not accord Singapore companies satisfactory access to maritime transport services in their territories



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FINANCIAL SERVICES¹ Banking and other financial services	Under a currency inter-changeability agreement between Singapore and Brunei, the currency-issuing authorities of Singapore and Brunei would: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - accept from banks, notes and coins issued by the other issuing authority, at par and without charge and to exchange such notes and coins into the currency of the country concerned; and - arrange for repatriation at the expense of the respective currency issuing authority, the notes and coins issued by the other currency issuing authority and to receive at par the equivalent in any agreed currency. 	Brunei	Indefinite, until either country terminates the agreement	The currency inter-changeability agreement was entered into in 1967 arising from special historical and economic ties between Singapore and Brunei

¹ Supplementary information provided for transparency

The Stock Exchange of Singapore (SES) and the Singapore International Monetary (SIMEX) have established trading linkages with the exchanges of some countries to facilitate the trading of securities and futures. The establishment of trading linkages is a commercial decisions of the SES and SIMEX



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Schedule of Specific Commitments



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BUSINESS SERVICES			
A. Professional Services			
Accounting/ Auditing (CPC 8621)	(1) None, other than public accountants must be effectively resident in Singapore or at least one of the partners of the firm must be effectively resident in Singapore (2) None (3) As in mode 1 (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Book-Keeping Services (CPC 8622)	(1) None, except that statutory audits must be conducted by a Singapore registered public accountant. (2) See Mode 1. (3) None, other than the proprietor or one of the partners/directors of a public accounting firm or a public accounting corporation must be a Singapore registered public accountant and ordinarily resides in Singapore; or, the owner or one of the partners/manager/director is ordinarily resident in Singapore. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Taxation Services (CPC 863)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Architectural Services (CPC 8671)	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) <u>Limited Corporations</u></p> <p>a) at least 51% of its directors shall be registered architects or allied professionals who each has in force a valid practising certificate;</p> <p>b) the business of the corporation, so far as it relates to such architectural services in Singapore, will be under the control and management of a director of the corporation who is a registered architect ordinarily resident in Singapore and who has in force a valid practising certificate.</p>	<p>(1) None, except that the implementation in Singapore of architecture works which require approval by the authorities has to be carried out by an architect who is physically present in Singapore.</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p>	



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	<p><u>Unlimited Corporations</u></p> <p>a) at least 51% of its directors shall be registered architects or allied professionals who each has in force a valid practising certificate; and</p> <p>b) the business of the corporation, so far as it relates to architectural services in Singapore, will be under the control and management of a director of the corporation who is a registered architect ordinarily resident in Singapore and who has in force a valid practising certificate.</p> <p><u>Partnership</u></p> <p>a) The beneficial interest in the capital assets and profits of the partnership must be held by registered architects or allied professionals who each has in force a valid practicing certificate,</p> <p>b) the business of the partnership, so far as it relates to architectural services in Singapore, will be under the control and management of a partner who is a registered architect ordinarily</p>		



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	<p>resident in Singapore and who has in force a valid practising certificate.</p> <p><u>Limited liability partnership</u></p> <p>a) at least one of the partners of the limited liability partnership is an architect or allied professional who has in force a valid practising certificate;</p> <p>b) the business of the limited liability partnership, so far as it relates to architectural services in Singapore, will be under the control and management of a partner who is a registered architect ordinarily resident in Singapore and who has in force a valid practising certificate.</p> <p>(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal sector</p>	<p>(4) Unbound</p>	



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Engineering Services (CPC 8672)	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) <u>Limited Corporations</u></p> <p>a) at least 51% of its directors shall be registered professional engineers or allied professionals who each has in force a valid practicing certificate;</p> <p>b) the business of the corporation, so far as it relates to professional engineering work in Singapore, will be under the control and management of a director of the corporation who is a registered professional engineer who has in force a valid practicing certificate</p>	<p>(1) None, except that the implementation in Singapore of engineering works which require approval by the authorities has to be carried out by a professional engineer physically present in Singapore</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p>	



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	<p><u>Unlimited Corporation</u></p> <p>a) at least 51% of its directors shall be registered professional engineers or allied professionals who each has in force a valid practicing certificate; and</p> <p>b) the business of the corporation, so far as it relates to professional engineering work in Singapore, will be under the control and management of a director of the corporation who is a registered professional engineer who has in force a valid practicing certificate.</p> <p><u>Multi-Disciplinary Partnership</u></p> <p>a) The beneficial interest in the capital assets and profits of the partnership must be held by registered professional engineers and allied professionals who each has in force a valid practicing certificate; and</p>		



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	<p>b) the business of the partnership, so far as it relates to professional engineering work in Singapore, will be under the control and management of a partner who is a registered professional engineer; and has in force a valid practicing certificate.</p> <p><u>Limited Liability Partnership</u></p> <p>a) at least one of the partners of the limited liability partnership is a registered professional engineer who has in force a valid practicing certificate;</p> <p>b) the business of the limited liability partnership, so far as it relates to professional engineering work in Singapore will be under the control and management of a partner who is a registered professional engineer who has in force a valid practicing certificate.</p> <p>(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal sector</p>	<p>(4) Unbound</p>	



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Integrated engineering services (CPC 8673)	(1) None (2) None (3) Unbound, except foreign equity ownership permitted up to 30% (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Landscape Architecture services (CPC 86742)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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B. Computer-Related Services			
Consultancy Services Related to the Installation of Computer Hardware (CPC 84100)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	
Software Implementation Services (CPC 842)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	
Information Technology Consultancy Services	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Data Processing	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Database Services (CPC 84400)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	



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C. Research and Development Services			
R&D services on natural sciences, specifically biotechnology services and industrial research (CPC 85102-85103)	(1) None	(1) None	
	(2) None	(2) None	
	(3) None	(3) None	
	(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(4) Unbound	
Research and experimental development services on economics (CPC 85202)	(1) None	(1) None	
	(2) None	(2) None	
	(3) None	(3) None	
	(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(4) Unbound	



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R&D services on social sciences and humanities, specifically economic and behavioral research (CPC 852**)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Interdisciplinary R&D services for projects undertaken by education institutions (CPC 853**)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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<p>D. Real Estate Services</p> <p>Residential and non-residential property management services on a fee or contract basis (CPC 82201 + 82202)</p>	<p>(1) None, except that only the Sentosa Development Corporation is allowed to develop and manage the resort island of Sentosa and its waterways and the Southern Islands of Singapore</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None, except that only the Sentosa Development Corporation is allowed to develop and manage the resort island of Sentosa and its waterways and the Southern Islands of Singapore</p> <p>(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section</p>	<p>(1) None, except that only the Sentosa Development Corporation is allowed to develop and manage the resort island of Sentosa and its waterways and the Southern Islands of Singapore</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None, except that only the Sentosa Development Corporation is allowed to develop and manage the resort island of Sentosa and its waterways and the Southern Islands of Singapore</p> <p>(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section</p>	



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E. Rental/Leasing Services without Operators – Relating to ships (CPC 83103)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Leasing or rental services concerning construction machinery and equipment services without an operator (CPC 83107)	(1) None (2) None (3) Maximum foreign equity participation should not exceed 30% (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) Unbound (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	
Rental and leasing of studio recording equipment (CPC 83109)	(1) None (2) None (3) Unbound, except foreign equity ownership permitted up to 30% (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Leasing or rental services concerning personal and household Goods (CPC 832)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal commitments	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal commitments	



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F. Other Business Services Advertising Services	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Market Research Services (CPC 86401)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Industrial Research	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Commercial Market Research	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Management Consulting Services	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Public Relations Consultancy Services	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Services related to management consulting (CPC 866)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Technical testing and analysis services (CPC 8676)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Placement and supply services of personnel (CPC 872)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Alarm Monitoring Services (CPC 87303)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Maintenance and repair of equipment (not including maritime vessels, aircraft or other transport equipment) (CPC 633, CPC 8861-8866 **)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Building Cleaning Services (CPC 874)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	



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Photographic services (CPC 875)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Packaging Services (CPC 876)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Exhibition Management Services	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Translation/Interpretation Services (CPC 87905)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Interior Design Services, excluding Architecture	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Buildings and Facilities Management Services	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Duplicating services (CPC 87904)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Speciality Design services (CPC 87907)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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COMMUNICATION SERVICES			
B. Courier Services Courier Services in respect of documents and parcels, excluding letters and postcards	(1) Unbound (2) None (3) Unbound (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in horizontal section.	



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C. TELECOMMUNICATION			
Basic Telecommunication Services (facilities-based)	(1) Subject to commercial arrangements with licensed operator(s)	(1) None	As annexed
a) Public Switched Services ¹ (local and international)	(2) None	(2) None	
b) Leased Circuit Services (local and international)	(3) A cumulative total of 73.99% foreign shareholding, based on 49% direct investment and 24.99% indirect investment is allowed	(3) None	
	(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal commitments	(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal commitments	

¹ This includes voice, data and facsimile services.



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Mobile Services²: a) Public Mobile Data Service (PMDS) b) Public Trunked Radio Service (PTRS) c) Public Radio Paging Service (PRPS) d) Public Cellular Mobile Telephone Service (PCMTS)	(1) Subject to commercial arrangements with licensed operator(s) (2) None (3) A cumulative total of 73.99% foreign shareholding, based on 49% direct investment and 24.99% indirect investment is allowed (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal commitments	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal commitments	As annexed
Resale basis: a) Public Switched Services (local and international) (not including the use of leased circuits connected to the public switched network) b) Leased Circuit Services (local and international) (without connection to the public switched network) c) Public Cellular Mobile Telephone Services d) Public Radio Paging Services	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal commitments	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal commitments	

² Mobile Services excludes Public Mobile Broadband Multimedia Services and Public Fixed –Wireless Broadband Multimedia Services.



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<p>Value - Added Network (VAN) Services³</p> <p>The services covered are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Store-and-retrieve VAN services (S&R), - store-and-forward VAN services (S&F), - electronic mail, - voice mail, - on-line information and data base retrieval, - electronic data Interchange, - on-line information and/or data processing 	<p>(1) Provision of VAN services is subjected to licence from the Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore (IDA)</p> <p>The basic requirements for VAN licence are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Foreign companies are required to either set up a local branch of their company duly registered with the Registry of Companies and Businesses in Singapore, or grant a power of attorney to a local agent for the provision of their VAN services in Singapore. - VAN does not carry traffic which resembles any of the basic telecommunication services <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Same as Mode 1</p> <p>(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section</p>	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound</p>	

³ Provision of VAN services is subject to registration for store and retrieve VAN services from the Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore (IDA). Note: for the purpose of Singapore's commitments under the AFAS, the services under CPC 7523 are included within Singapore's offer for VAN services



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<p>Audio-visual Services</p> <p>i) the services covered are production, distribution and public display of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - motion pictures - video recordings - sound recordings, except where excluded under (ii) <p>ii) All broadcasting and AV services and materials that are broadcasting-related are excluded, examples being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Free-to-air broadcasting - Cable and pay television - Direct broadcasting by satellite - Teletext 	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section</p>	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound</p>	



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CONSTRUCTION AND ENGINEERING RELATED SERVICES			
Construction Services (CPC 511 – 518)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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DISTRIBUTION SERVICES			
Commission agent services (CPC 621) except for pharmaceutical and medical goods and cosmetics (except 62117)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Wholesale trade services (CPC 622)** except for pharmaceutical and medical goods and surgical and orthopaedic instruments	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Wholesale of motor vehicles (CPC 61111)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Sector or Subsector	Limitation on Market Access	Limitation on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
Retail sales of motor vehicles (CPC 61112)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Sales of parts or accessories of motor vehicles (CPC 61130)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Retail sales of motorcycles and snowmobiles and related parts and accessories (CPC 61210)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Sector or Subsector	Limitation on Market Access	Limitation on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
Franchising services (CPC 8929 **)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Sector or Subsector	Limitation on Market Access	Limitation on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
EDUCATION SERVICES Specific commitments on Market Access and National Treatment through any mode of supply shall not be construed to apply to the recognition of university degrees for the purpose of admission, registration and qualification for professional practice in Singapore.			
Adult Education Services (CPC 924)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES			
Sanitation and similar services (CPC 9403) Cleaning of exhaust gases (CPC 9404) Noise abatement services (CPC 9405)	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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HEALTH RELATED AND SOCIAL SERVICES			
Medical Services, specifically General Medical Services (CPC 93121)	(1) Unbound*	(1) None	
	(2) None	(2) None	
Specialised Medical Services (CPC 93122)	(3) None, other than the number of new foreign doctors registered each year may be limited depending on the total supply of doctors	(3) None	
	(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(4) Unbound	
Dental Services (CPC 93123)	(1) None	(1) None	
	(2) None	(2) None	
	(3) None	(3) None	
	(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(4) Unbound	
Veterinary Services (CPC 932/ 9320)	(1) None	(1) None	
	(2) None	(2) None	
	(3) None	(3) None	
	(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(4) Unbound	



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Deliveries and related services, nursing services, physiotherapists, and para-medical personnel (CPC 93191**)	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) Unbound, except for foreign equity ownership permitted up to 51% (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Hospital services (CPC 9311/93110)	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) Unbound, except for foreign equity ownership permitted up to 51% (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) Unbound (4) Unbound	
Ambulance services (CPC 93192)	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) Unbound, except for foreign equity ownership permitted up to 51% (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) Unbound (4) Unbound	



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Sector or Subsector	Limitation on Market Access	Limitation on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
Acute care hospitals, nursing homes and convalescent hospitals as defined by the Private Hospitals and Medical Clinics Act, run on a commercial basis (CPC 93193**)	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Laboratories licensed under the Private Hospitals and Medical Clinics Act (CPC 931991**)	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) Unbound, except for foreign equity ownership permitted up to 51% (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) Unbound (4) Unbound	



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Sector or Subsector	Limitation on Market Access	Limitation on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
SOCIAL SERVICES			
Statutory supervision services as listed in the Appendix to this Schedule are excluded from the scope of these commitments			
Social services delivered through residential institutions to old persons and the handicapped (CPC 93311)	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) None, except unbound for facilities/ service operations run by non-profit service suppliers that are partially or totally state-funded (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) Unbound* (2) None, except that Singapore retains the discretion to determine whether a non-resident service supplier may solicit business or conduct active marketing in Singapore (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Sector or Subsector	Limitation on Market Access	Limitation on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
Social services delivered through residential institutions to children and other clients (CPC 93312 **)	(1) Unbound (2) None except that Singapore retains the discretion to determine whether a non-resident service supplier may solicit business or conduct active marketing in Singapore. (3) None, except unbound for facilities/ service operations run by non-profit service suppliers that are partially or totally state-funded (4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) Unbound (2) None except that Singapore retains the discretion to determine whether a non-resident service supplier may solicit business or conduct active marketing in Singapore. (3) None, except unbound for facilities/ service operations run by non-profit service suppliers that are partially or totally state-funded (4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	



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Sector or Subsector	Limitation on Market Access	Limitation on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
<p>Child day-care services including day-care services for the handicapped (CPC 93321)</p> <p>Vocational rehabilitation services (CPC 93324)</p>	<p>(1) Unbound</p> <p>(2) None except that Singapore retains the discretion to determine whether a non-resident service supplier may solicit business or conduct active marketing in Singapore.</p> <p>(3) None, except unbound for facilities/ service operations run by non-profit service suppliers that are partially or totally state-funded</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section</p>	<p>(1) Unbound</p> <p>(2) None except that Singapore retains the discretion to determine whether a non-resident service supplier may solicit business or conduct active marketing in Singapore.</p> <p>(3) None, except unbound for facilities/ service operations run by non-profit service suppliers that are partially or totally state-funded</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section</p>	



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Sector or Subsector	Limitation on Market Access	Limitation on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
Guidance and counselling services not elsewhere classified related to children (CPC 93322)	(1) Unbound (2) None, except unbound for a non-resident service supplier soliciting business or conducting active marketing in Singapore (3) None, except unbound for facilities/ service operations run by non-profit service suppliers that are partially or totally state-funded (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) Unbound (2) None except unbound for a non-resident service supplier soliciting business or conducting active marketing in Singapore (3) None, except unbound for facilities/ service operations run by non-profit service suppliers that are partially or totally state-funded (4) Unbound	
Welfare services not delivered through residential institutions (CPC 93323)	(1) None (2) None except unbound for a non-resident service supplier soliciting business or conducting active marketing in Singapore (3) None, except unbound for facilities/ service operations run by non-profit service suppliers that are partially or totally state-funded (4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None except unbound for a non-resident service supplier soliciting business or conducting active marketing in Singapore (3) None, except unbound for facilities/ service operations run by non-profit service suppliers that are partially or totally state-funded (4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	



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Sector or Subsector	Limitation on Market Access	Limitation on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
Other social services without accommodation (CPC 93329 **)	(1) Unbound (2) None except that Singapore retains the discretion to determine whether a non-resident service supplier may solicit business or conduct active marketing in Singapore. (3) None, except unbound for facilities/ service operations run by non-profit service suppliers that are partially or totally state-funded (4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) Unbound (2) None except that Singapore retains the discretion to determine whether a non-resident service supplier may solicit business or conduct active marketing in Singapore. (3) None, except unbound for facilities/ service operations run by non-profit service suppliers that are partially or totally state-funded (4) Unbound	



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Sector or Subsector	Limitation on Market Access	Limitation on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES			
Hotel Lodging Services (CPC 64110)	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	
Restaurant and Catering Services (CPC 64210/64230)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Beverage serving services for consumption on the premises (CPC 643)	(1) None (2) None (3) Unbound, except up to 51% equity participation permitted. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	



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Travel Agencies and Tour Operators (CPC 7471)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) Unbound (4) Unbound	
Tourist Guide Services (CPC 7472)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Other Tourism Services - International hotel operator, - Tourism consultancy services, - Convention centre, - Tourist resorts include hotel, - Marinas, golf course and other - Sport facilities - Hotel management - Professional Congress Organisers	(1) None (2) None (3) Unbound except up to 51% equity participation permitted (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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Sector or Subsector	Limitation on Market Access	Limitation on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
RECREATIONAL, CULTURAL AND SPORTING SERVICES (OTHER THAN AUDIO VISUAL SERVICES)			
Entertainment services (including theatre, live bands & circus services) (CPC 9619)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Library Services	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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TRANSPORT SERVICES			
Maritime Transport Services			
International Maritime Passenger and Freight Transport (CPC 7211 and CPC 7212) Less Cabotage	(1) None (2) None (3) None, except on the registration of Singapore flag ships as specified in the Merchant Shipping Act (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal commitments	(1) None (2) None (3) None, except on the registration of Singapore flag ships as specified in the Merchant Shipping Act (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal commitments	
Maintenance and repair vessels (CPC 8868*)	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) Foreign equity allowable up to a maximum of 49% (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) Unbound* (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



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International Towing	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Maritime Auxiliary Service: Classification societies ⁴ , except for statutory services for Singapore flag ships	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	
Vessels salvage and re-floating services (not applicable in harbour) (CPC 7454)	(1) None (2) None (3) Foreign equity allowable up to a maximum of 30% (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	

⁴ provision of rules on the construction and safety of ships and issuance of classification certificate in accordance to the specified rules. Excludes survey and classification of Singapore flag vessels, which requires specific authorisation by the relevant authority



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Road Transport Services			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rental services of cars with operators (CPC 71222) • Rental services of buses and coaches with operators (CPC 71223) • Rental services of commercial freight vehicles with operators (CPC 71240) 	(1) Unbound*	(1) None	
	(2) None	(2) None	
	(3) None	(3) None	
	(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(4) Unbound	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Freight (Road) transportation of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) refrigerated goods (CPC 71231) b) liquids or gases (CPC 71232) c) containerized freight (CPC 71233) d) furniture (CPC 71234) 	(1) Unbound*	(1) None	
	(2) None	(2) None	
	(3) None	(3) None	
	(4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(4) Unbound	



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H. Services Auxiliary to All Modes of Transport Maritime Auxiliary Services: Shipping agency services	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	
Shipping brokerage services	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound	



TYPES OF SOCIAL SERVICES EXCLUDED FROM SINGAPORE'S SCHEDULE OF COMMITMENTS

1 Statutory Supervision Services With Accommodation for the Following Types of Clients (CPC 9331):

- a) women and girls detained in a place of safety under Section 160 of the Women's Charter (CPC 93312);
- b) children detained in a place of safety under Section 8 of the Children & Young Persons (CYP) Act (CPC 93312);
- c) children and young persons detained in a place of detention under Section 44 (1) (f) CYP Act, or on probation to an approved school⁵ under Section 44 (1) (g) of the CYP Act (CPC 93319);
- d) children and young persons admitted to an approved home for statutory supervision under Section 49 (ii) of CYP Act (CPC 93312);
- e) persons placed on probation with the requirement of residence in an approved institution under Section 12 of the Probation of Offenders Act (CPC 93319).

2 Statutory Supervision Services Without Accommodation for the Following Types of Clients (9332):

- a) children and young persons placed under supervision of an appointed welfare officer under Section 49 (i) of the CYP Act (CPC 93329);
- b) persons placed on probation without the requirement of residence in an approved institution under Section 5 of the Probation of Offenders Act (CPC 93329).

⁵ The term 'approved school' used in Section 44(1) (g) of the CYP Act denotes a remand home for young offenders, and not a mainstream educational institution. Young offenders are detained in an 'approved school' for rehabilitation rather than for formal education.



REFERENCE PAPER

Scope

The following are definitions and principles on the regulatory framework for the basic telecommunications services.

Definitions

Users mean service consumers and service suppliers.

Essential facilities mean facilities of a public telecommunications transport network or service that

- (a) are exclusively or predominantly provided by a single or limited number of suppliers; and
- (b) cannot feasibly be economically or technically substituted in order to provide a service.

A major supplier is a supplier which has the ability to materially affect the terms of participation (having regard to price and supply) in the relevant market for basic telecommunications services as a result of:

- (a) control over essential facilities; or
- (b) use of its position in the market.

1. Competitive safeguards

1.1 Prevention of anti-competitive practices in telecommunications

Appropriate measures shall be maintained for the purpose of preventing suppliers who, alone or together, are a major supplier from engaging in or continuing anti-competitive practices.

1.2 Safeguards

The anti-competitive practices referred to above shall include in particular:

- (a) engaging in anti-competitive cross-subsidization;
- (b) using information obtained from competitors with anti-competitive results; and



(c) not making available to other services suppliers on a timely basis technical information about essential facilities and commercially relevant information which are necessary for them to provide services.

2. Interconnection

2.1 This section applies to linking with suppliers providing public telecommunications transport networks or services in order to allow the users of one supplier to communicate with users of another supplier and to access services provided by another supplier, where specific commitments are undertaken.

2.2 Interconnection to be ensured

Interconnection with a major supplier will be ensured at any technically feasible point in the network. Such interconnection is provided.

- (a) under non-discriminatory terms, conditions (including technical standards and specifications) and rates and of a quality no less favourable than that provided for its own like services or for like services of non-affiliated service suppliers or for its subsidiaries or other affiliates;
- (b) in a timely fashion, on terms, conditions (including technical standards and specifications) and cost-oriented rates that are transparent, reasonable, having regard to economic feasibility, and sufficiently unbundled so that the supplier need not pay for network components or facilities that it does not require for the service to be provided; and
- (c) upon request, at points in addition to the network termination points offered to the majority of users, subject to charges that reflect the cost of construction of necessary additional facilities.

2.3 Public availability of the procedures for interconnection negotiations

The procedures applicable for interconnection to a major supplier will be made publicly available.

2.4 Transparency of interconnection arrangements

It is ensured that a major supplier will make publicly available either its interconnection agreements or a reference interconnection offer.

2.5 Interconnection: dispute settlement

A service supplier requesting interconnection with a major supplier will have recourse, either:

- (a) at any time or
- (b) after a reasonable period of time which has been made publicly known

to an independent domestic body, which may be a regulatory body as referred to in paragraph 5 below, to resolve disputes regarding appropriate terms, conditions and rates for interconnection within a reasonable period of time, to the extent that these have not been established previously.



3. Universal service

Any Member has the right to define the kind of universal service obligation it wishes to maintain. Such obligations will not be regarded as anti-competitive *per se*, provided they are administered in a transparent, non-discriminatory and competitively neutral manner and are not more burdensome than necessary for the kind of universal service defined by the Member.

4. Public availability of licensing criteria

Where a licence is required, the following will be made publicly available:

- (a) all the licensing criteria and the period of time normally required to reach a decision concerning an application for a licence and
- (b) the terms and conditions of individual licences.

The reasons for the denial of a licence will be made known to the applicant upon request.

5. Independent regulators

The regulatory body is separate from, and not accountable to, any supplier of basic telecommunications services. The decisions of and the procedures used by regulators shall be impartial with respect to all market participants.

6. Allocation and use of scarce resources

Any procedures for the allocation and use of scarce resources, including frequencies, numbers and rights of way, will be carried out in an objective, timely, transparent and non-discriminatory manner. The current state of allocated frequency bands will be made publicly available, but detailed identification of frequencies allocated for specific government uses is not required.



**ASEAN FRAMEWORK
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SINGAPORE

Horizontal Commitments



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I. HORIZONTAL COMMITMENTS			
<p>ALL SECTORS INCLUDED IN THIS SCHEDULE</p>	<p>4) Presence of natural persons unbound, except for intra-corporate transferees (see below)</p> <p>4) Temporary movement of skilled personnel unbound except for the temporary movement of intra-corporate transferees at the level of managers, executives and specialists. Intra-corporate transferees refers to managers, executives and specialists, as defined below, who are employees of firms that provide services within Singapore through a branch, subsidiary, or affiliate established in Singapore and who have been in the prior employ of their firms outside Singapore for a period of not less than one year immediately preceding the date of their application for admission and who are one of the following:</p> <p>a) Managers - persons within an organisation who primarily direct the organisation, or a department or sub-division of the organisation, supervise and control the work of other supervisory, professional or managerial employees, have the authority to hire and fire or recommend hiring, firing, or other</p>	<p>4) Unbound</p>	



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	<p>personnel actions (such as promotion or leave authorisation), and exercise discretionary authority over day-to-day operations. Does not include first-line supervisors, unless the employees supervised are professionals, nor does it include employees who primarily perform tasks necessary for the provision of the service.</p> <p>b) Executives - persons within the organisation who primarily direct the management of the organisation, exercise wide latitude in decision-making, and receive only general supervision or direction from higher-level executives, the board of directors, or stockholders of the business. Executives would not directly perform tasks related to the actual provision of the service or services of the organisation.</p> <p>c) Specialists - persons within an organisation who possess knowledge at an advanced level of expertise and who possess proprietary knowledge of the organisation's service, research equipment, techniques, or management. (Specialists may</p>		



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	<p>include, but are not limited to, members of licensed professions).</p> <p>Entry for these intra-corporate transferees is limited to a two year period that may be extended for up to three additional years each time for a total term not exceeding eight years.</p>	<p>3) Commercial presence, right of establishment and movement of juridical persons are subject to compliance with the following provisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A foreigner who wishes to register a business firm must have a local manager who should be a Singapore citizen or a Singapore Permanent Resident or a Singapore Employment Pass holder. (However, a foreigner who is a Singapore Permanent Resident or a Singapore Employment Pass holder can register a business without appointing a local manager.) 	



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	1), 2), 3), 4) Specific commitments in market access in any sector or sub sector, through any mode of delivery, shall not be construed to override the limitations established in the financial services sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At least one director of the company must be locally resident - All branches of foreign companies registered in Singapore must have at least 2 locally resident agents. (To qualify as locally resident, a person should be either a Singapore citizen or Singapore Permanent Resident or Singapore Employment Pass holder.) 1), 2), 3), 4) Unbound for subsidies except for specific commitments contained in WTO document GATS/SC/76 (15 April 1994), GATS/SC/76 Suppl.2 (11 April 1997) and GATS/SC/76 Suppl.3 (26 Feb 1998).	

