

Hong Kong Companies Registry (CR) has introduced a New Inspection Regime

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Currently, sensitive personal information includes usual residential addresses and/or full identification numbers of directors, company secretaries and other individuals including liquidators and provisional liquidators of Hong Kong companies (collectively **Protected Information**) are available for public inspection.

With effect from 24 October 2022 (Phase 2), the Protected Information will be replaced with the following for public inspection:

- **correspondence addresses** – deemed as the company's registered office or principal place of business until otherwise address is filed; and
- **partial identification numbers** – only the first half of the sequence would be made available for public inspection.

Only "specified persons", including but not limited to a solicitor or foreign lawyer, or a financial institution or designated non-financial businesses and professions, could apply to the Hong Kong Companies Registry (CR) for access to Protected Information.

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