MINIMUM ENTRY CRITERIA FOR CONSULTANTS LISTS LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL CONSULTANTS

STAFF (Including Principals)	
Members :	Minimum of 2 qualified landscape architects. At least one of the resident principals ¹ of the firm must be a qualified landscape architect. A consultant to a firm is not counted as staff. Only full time employees ² are counted as staff of a consultant.
Qualifications :	Qualified landscape architect means Professional Member or Fellow of The Hong Kong Institute of Landscape Architects who is also a registered landscape architect as accepted by the Landscape Architects Registration Board of Hong Kong under the Landscape Architects Registration Ordinance (Cap 516).
Resident Status :	To count as staff, individuals must be resident Hong Kong ID Card holders or work visa holders and the practice must constitute their principal source of employment.
HISTORY	
Time Established:	The firm must have practiced in the relevant discipline in Hong Kong for a minimum of 2 continuous years.
OFFICE	
Size/Equipment :	Local Hong Kong office of reasonable size, suitably furnished and adequately equipped with appropriate modern drafting and computing facilities.
No. of Supporting Staff :	Employing a reasonable number of technical and clerical supporting staff locally.
STANDARD OF WORK	
Standards (Quality/Cost) and Nature of work carried out :	Demonstration of satisfactory design and work standards on at least two completed local projects, one of which must be over \$25M, covering the full range of landscape architectural services, within the past 5 years. Experience as sub-consultants will only be considered if full service has been provided at all work stages and included both hard and soft landscape works.
ISO 9000 CERTIFICATION	T.
	The firm must have obtained the ISO 9001:2015 certification as detailed in the current Development Bureau Technical Circular or equivalent.

 $^{^{1}}$ Resident principals mean principal staff that have the power to deploy manpower and financial resources.

² Full time employees mean employee with total number of working hours (including vacation and sick leaves) with the Consultant on average is 35 hours or more per week.