

Preference shares – from issuance to redemption/conversion

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Course Introduction

Issuing ordinary shares are the main source of raising the funds for a company. It is a form of full or partial ownership in the company in which shareholders bear the highest business risk. Being owners, the ordinary shareholders have the authority to control the affairs of the business as they have powers to appoint the directors to manage the company. Preference Shares, as name implies are the shares in which shareholders get preferential rights on dividends and return of capital. However, preference shareholders do not have the authority to control the affairs of the company as most preference shares do not have voting rights.

Course objectives

This course will guide participants on the regulations surrounding the issuance and redemption or conversion of preference shares and its use as a financial instrument. The different rights attached to the preference shares would be explained with illustration to enable the participants to appreciate the strategic considerations for the issuance of preference shares. The Companies (Amendment) Act 2019 allows the redemption of preference shares to be done out of capital without the need for transfer of profit to the share capital. This course will review the steps to undertake such redemption.

Who should attend

Company Secretaries, Directors, Auditors and Accountants

Course contents

- Types of preference shares and rights attached to it
- Variation of rights of preference shares.
- Differentiating the classification of preference shares as equity or liability
- Step by step guide to issuance of preference shares including determination of the rights.
- Step by step guide to redemption of preference shares.
- Step by step guide to conversion of preference shares.

Learning Outcome

By attending this programme, the participants will:

- Have a better understanding of the use of preference shares and the reason companies would opt for such issuance.
- Note the statutory requirements for the issuance, redemption or conversion of the preference shares.
- Differentiate the conversion of the preference shares to redemption.

About the trainer: MS LEONG OI WAH FCIS (CS) (CGP)

Leong Oi Wah is a Fellow Member of the Malaysian Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (MAICSA) and has more than 30 years of experience in handling corporate secretarial matters in the profession and the corporate sector.

She has been involved in advising on corporate secretarial requirements including corporate restructuring and compliance with various regulatory bodies such as the Registrar of Companies, Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad, Securities Commission and other authorities.

She is currently Director, Corporate Development of Epsilon Advisory Services Sdn Bhd which specialises in providing the full range of corporate secretarial and advisory services. She is a regular trainer of MAICSA's Continuing Professional Education programme and is also co-author of "Company Meetings, Minutes and Resolutions in Malaysia" published in 2021 by the Malaysian Current Law Journal

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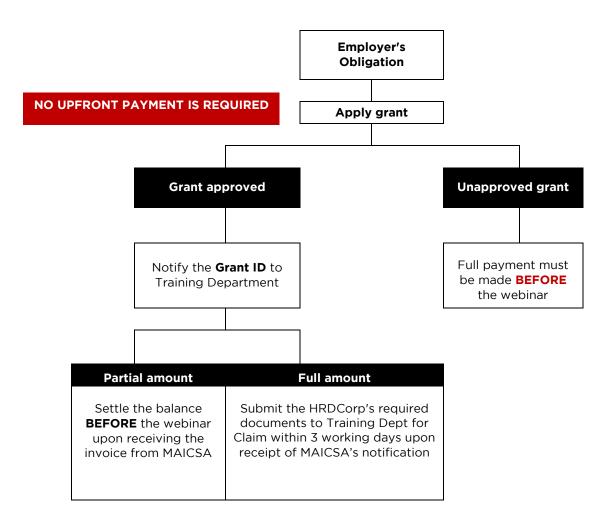
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