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## 紀律研訊個案 Disciplinary hearing case

# 不可向準買家提供或提出提供貸款 Must not offer or make loans to a prospective purchaser

#### 引言

#### 持牌人在參與一手住宅物業銷售時,不得向 準買家提供或提出提供貸款,不論是否用以 游說準買家簽訂臨時合約或作任何其他用 途,否則有可能被監管局紀律處分。

#### Introduction

Licensees must not offer or make loans to a prospective purchaser of first-hand residential properties, no matter whether in order to persuade a prospective purchaser to enter into the Preliminary Agreement for Sale and Purchase, or for any other purpose. Otherwise, they may be subject to disciplinary action by the EAA.

#### 事件經過

# 一名地產代理營業員與其同事安排兩名準買家視察某一手住宅樓盤的示範單位。在視察期間,該名營業員向準買家表示,可在其沒有支付任何款項的情況下向其提供200,000元的本票以供遞交購樓意向登記之用。那兩名準買家其實是監管局職員,其後向該名營業員表露其身份。

#### **Incident**

A salesperson and her colleague arranged for two prospective purchasers to view a show flat of a first hand residential development. During the viewing of the show flat, the salesperson told the prospective purchasers that a cashier order in the sum of \$200,000 could be arranged for them to submit a registration of intent and they did not have to provide money on the spot in exchange for the cashier order. The prospective purchasers were actually EAA staff and identified themselves to the salesperson subsequently.

#### 研訊結果

#### 監管局紀律委員會認為該營業員違反了執業 通告(編號 13-04 (CR))的指引及監管局發 出的《操守守則》第 3.2.1 段:「地產代理和 營業員應熟悉並必須在執業時遵守《地產代 理條例》、其附屬法例、本操守守則,以及 由監管局不時發布的所有其他指引。」

考慮到個案的性質及該營業員的違規紀錄, 委員會決定譴責該名營業員、罰款 10,000 元、暫時吊銷其牌照7日,並在其牌照上附加條件,要求她取得持續專業進修計劃下的 12個學分。

#### Result

The EAA Disciplinary Committee found that the salesperson failed to comply with the guidelines set out in Practice Circular No. 13-04(CR) and thus were in breach of paragraph 3.2.1 of the Code of Ethics issued by the EAA, which stipulates: "Estate agents and salespersons should be fully conversant with the EAO, its subsidiary legislation, this Code of Ethics, and other guidelines issued by the EAA from time to time and shall observe and comply with them in the course of their practice."

Having considered the nature and gravity of the case, and the disciplinary record of the salesperson, the Committee decided to reprimand her, impose on her a fine of \$10,000 and suspend her licence for seven days. A condition was also attached to her licence requiring her to obtain 12 points under the EAA's Continuing Professional Development Scheme.

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#### 業界回應 Comment from trade

代理有責任向客人提供專業的服務及保障客人的利益。當中包括向客人提供足夠 及準確的物業資訊,亦要向客人清楚講解買賣的手續,財務安排事宜及風險。不 應只顧佣金而不斷催促客人簽署臨時買賣合約,更不應向準買家提供貸款以繳付 訂金。買家一旦簽了合約就不能取消,若買家因一時衝動作了錯誤決定而最終未 能完成交易,所有訂金都會化為烏有。

Estate agents should provide a professional service to clients and protect their interests by providing them with accurate property information, clearly explaining the procedures, the financial arrangements and the potential risks of any transaction. They should not, for the sake of a commission, urge clients to enter into a provisional agreement for sale and purchase ("PASP"), or even offer loan(s) to prospective purchasers for the payment of a deposit. A PASP cannot be cancelled once it has been signed. If a purchaser rushes into a wrong decision and does not complete the transaction, they would have to forfeit their deposit.

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# 銷售一手住宅物業的違規行為 Non-compliance in the sale of first-hand residential properties

#### 引言

#### Introduction

持牌人在參與一手住宅物業銷售時應遵守監 管局的指引,並在樓盤銷售點保持良好的秩 序,否則有可能被監管局紀律處分。

Licensees should maintain good order at first-sale sites and comply with the guidelines issued by the EAA when participating in the promotional activities of first-hand residential properties. Otherwise, they may be subject to disciplinary action by the EAA.

#### 事件經過

#### **Incident**

監管局職員在一個新住宅發展項目的銷售點 進行巡查時,發現一名男子手持該項目的宣 傳單張在行車道上招攬生意。

當監管局職員乘坐的車輛駛近時,該名男子 衝向該汽車,並詢問車上的其中一名職員有 否興趣參觀示範單位。該名男子原來是一名 持牌營業員,但他當時並沒有佩戴地產代理 證及/或職員證,其後在監管局職員的要求 下才展示其地產代理證。 During a patrol operation at the first-sale site of a new residential development, EAA staff discovered a man standing on the carriageway soliciting business with promotional leaflets of that development in hand.

When the EAA's car approached, he rushed to the car and asked one of the EAA's staff in the car whether he was interested to have a viewing of the show flat. The man, who was not wearing an estate agent card and/or a staff card at that time, was later found out to be a licensed salesperson. He only showed the EAA staff the estate agent card after he was requested to do so.

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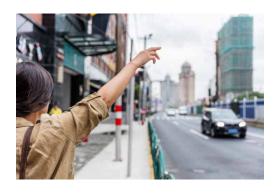
#### 研訊結果

監管局紀律委員會認為該營業員違反了執業 通告(編號 16-02(CR))的指引,即站在行 車道上或攔截車輛,對駕駛人士和其他道 路使用者構成危險。此外,根據該執業通 告,所有由地產代理公司調派往一手樓盤銷 售點的持牌員工須佩戴地產代理證及/或職 員證。因此,該營業員違反了監管局發出的 《操守守則》第 3.2.1 段:「地產代理和營 業員應熟悉並必須在執業時遵守《地產代理 條例》、其附屬法例、本操守守則,以及由 監管局不時發布的所有其他指引。」

考慮到個案的性質及該營業員的違規紀錄,委員會決定訓誡及譴責該名營業員、罰款 2,000 元、暫時吊銷其牌照14日,並在其牌照上附加條件,要求他取得持續專業進修計劃下的12個學分。

#### Result

The EAA Disciplinary Committee found that the salesperson failed to comply with the guidelines of Practice Circular No.16-02(CR) by standing on the carriageway and intercepting vehicles, which endangered the safety of drivers and other road users. In addition, according to the Circular, all licensed staff of estate agency companies deployed to first-sale sites must wear an estate agent card and/or a staff card. Thus, the salesperson was in breach of paragraph 3.2.1 of the Code of Ethics issued by the EAA, which stipulates: "Estate agents and salespersons should be fully conversant with the EAO, its subsidiary legislation, this Code of Ethics, and other guidelines issued by the EAA from time to time and shall observe and compl y with them in the course of their practice."



Having considered the nature and gravity of the case, and the disciplinary record of the salesperson, the Committee decided to admonish and reprimand him, impose on him a fine of \$2,000 and suspend his licence for 14 days. A condition was also attached to his licence requiring him to obtain 12 points under the EAA's Continuing Professional Development Scheme.



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#### 業界回應 Comment from trade

參與銷售一手住宅物業的從業員必須遵守地產代理監管局以及一手住宅物業銷售 監管局的規例及指引,尤其市場聚焦一手新盤,地產代理更應注意其言行操守, 個別從業員的違規或不當行為,將嚴重影響行業的整體形象。

Practitioners must comply with the regulations and guidelines of the Estate Agents Authority and the Sales of First-hand Residential Properties Authority when participating in the sale of first-hand residential properties. With first-hand developments being the primary focus of the property market, estate agents should be mindful of their conduct and behaviour. Non-compliance or misconduct of individual practitioners can tarnish the overall image of the trade.