



EAA announces results of June qualifying examinations

(19 July 2007) The Estate Agents Authority (EAA) today announced the results of the Estate Agents Qualifying Examination (EAQE) and Salespersons Qualifying Examination (SQE) held on 21 and 22 June 2007 respectively.

A total of 812 candidates sat the EAQE and 357 candidates passed, representing a pass rate of 44%. Separately, 1,258 candidates sat the SQE and 46.3% or 582 candidates passed. The pass rates of the last EAQE and SQE held in March 2007 were 37.6% and 46.6% respectively.

In both the EAQE and SQE, seven candidates passed with commendation.

Chairman of the EAA Professional Development Committee Mr Joseph Tsang said, “The pass rate of the EAQE has risen to over 40%, probably because candidates were more familiar with the new format of the examination and had put in more effort to pass the examination. Also, let me take this opportunity to congratulate those candidates who passed with commendation. We hope the estate agency trade will continue to attract entrants of high calibre so as to enhance the overall standards of, as well as public confidence in, the trade.”

If candidates who took the June qualifying examinations have not received notification of their results by 31 July, they are advised to contact the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority (Tel: 3628 8787).

EAA would like to remind candidates that passing the qualifying examination is only one of the requirements for obtaining an estate agent’s or salesperson’s licence. Candidates must also have completed Form 5 or its equivalent, reached a minimum age of 18 and be considered “fit and proper” to hold a licence.

The next EAQE and SQE will be held on 20 and 21 September 2007 respectively. Application forms for the September examinations are available from today at EAA and the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority. For enquiries about the examinations, the public



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may call the EAA Professional Development hotline 2150 2468 or visit the EAA website at www.eaa.org.hk/development/qe_paperbased.htm.

Starting from the September 2007 SQE, the fee for the examination will be reduced from \$500 to \$400. The fee for the EAQE remains at \$600.

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