香港和解中心簡介

香港和解中心於1999年成立,是香港首間獲政府認可為慈善機構的專業調解組織,擁有近千位來自不同專業界別的會員。二十多年來,本中心一直致力推動調解,專注發展多元化調解服務,透過教育和宣傳將調解推廣至社區。此外,本中心亦積極與本地及海外多個調解仲裁機構合作,分別創立多個主要調解組織,包括聯合調解專線辦事處、香港調解資歷評審協會、內地一香港聯合調解中心、粵港澳仲裁調解聯盟、亞洲調解協會等。本中心多年來積極參與聯合國國際貿易法委員會會議,進一步把香港的調解方式推廣至世界各地,鞏固香港在國際調解平台上的聲譽和地位。

甚麼是調解?

調解是一種於訴訟以外非常有效的解決爭議方法,由中立和受過專業訓練的調解員在不作出判決的情況下,協助爭議各方進行協商,以達致共同接受的解決方案,並協助擬備《經調解的和解協議》。

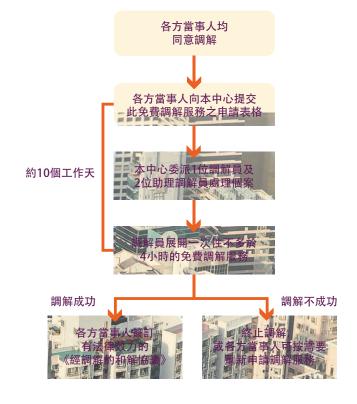
調解有甚麼好處?

- ◆ 保密: 調解過程及和解條款可予以保密及不外洩,保障 當事人的私隱及最大利益
- ◆ 安排靈活: 調解可於訴訟之前,或於訴訟的任何階段 開始,且調解過程及和解方案亦較靈活
- ◆ 省時省錢: 當事人無須把爭議訴諸法庭,省卻訴訟引致 的高昂費用和時間及過程的不確定性
- ◆ 互利雙贏: 調解可避免對抗式訴訟中出現的衝突和風險,可按各方當事人的真正需要達成他們接受的和解協議
- ◆ 執行性強: 調解屬自願性質參與,各方當事人自行作出 決定且達成和解協議,因而更願意遵守協議內容
- ◆ 修復關係: 調解可避免出現對峙局面,有助修復及改善 各方當事人的關係

甚麼個案適合申請此免費調解服務?

香港和解中心為總爭議金額少於港幣\$100萬元的合適個 案提供一次性不多於4小時的免費調解服務,包括:鄰舍糾 紛、學校糾紛、樓宇糾紛、租務糾紛、家庭糾紛、大廈管 理糾紛。

如何申請此免費調解服務?



免費社區調解服務計劃申請表可於本中心網頁下載: http://www.mediationcentre.org.hk

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- 1. 個案涉及總爭議金額少於港幣\$100萬元。
- 2. 香港和解中心保留接納申請最終決定權
- 3. 如有需要,調解員或會安排初步會議,而各方當事人亦須於 正式調解會議進行前簽署《調解協議》以示同意進行調解。
- 4. 如參與調解人士為機構代表,須於正式調解會議時出示授權書

常見問題

問: 調解的成功率高嗎?

答: 調解的成功率取決於個案的類別及當事人的參與 誠意。世界各地不同機構的統計數字顯示,調解的 成功率可以達至七至八成。

問: 如糾紛未能於4小時內調解成功,怎麼辦?

答: 此免費調解服務須於限時內完結;但各方可按需要 重新申請調解服務,中心會酌情考慮再次接受個案。

問: 參與此免費調解服務,需要支付任何費用嗎?

答:本中心不會就此免費調解服務收取任何行政費用或 調解員的服務費;本中心更會按情況考慮免費借出 場地,方便舉行調解會議。

問: 調解員會提供法律意見嗎?

答: 調解員是中立的第三者,不會為參與調解之人士提供 任何法律意見及相關的專業意見,也不會替任何一方 作出決定。

問: 在調解前,我需要做什麼準備工作?

- 答: 1. 熟習有關個案的背景和爭議事項
 - 2. 事先考慮可接受的不同和解方案
 - 3. 如有必要,可先行尋求法律意見及有關專業意見
 - 如個別人士的決定對解決爭議起關鍵作用的話, 必須安排有關人士出席整個調解過程



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About HKMC

Hong Kong Mediation Centre ("HKMC") was established in 1999. HKMC is the first non-profit mediation organization with charitable status in Hong Kong with about 1000 members from different professional fields. Over the past decade, HKMC has been working continuously on advocating mediation. HKMC dedicates efforts to developing diversified mediation services and popularizing mediation in the community via education and various promotions. In addition, HKMC actively co-operates with local and oversea mediation / arbitration organizations, and jointly founded a number of renowned mediation organizations, including Joint Mediation Helpline Office, Hong Kong Mediation Accreditation Association Limited, Mainland - Hong Kong Joint Mediation Center, Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macau Mediation Alliance and Asian Mediation Association etc., in order to promote Hong Kong's mediation approach to the world and enhance the reputation and status of Hong Kong's mediation services on the international stage.

What is mediation?

Mediation is an effective means in settling disputes apart from litigation. The impartial and professionally trained mediator will assist all parties in undergoing negotiation and reaching a settlement that is acceptable to all parties. The mediator will also assist in drafting the mediated settlement agreement.

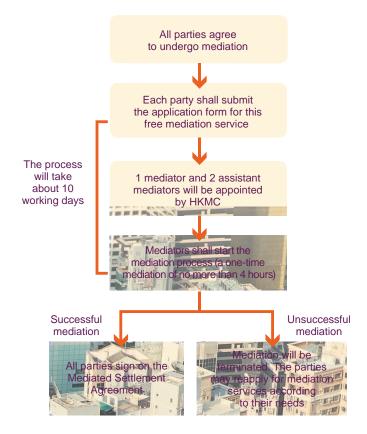
What are the advantages of mediation?

- Confidentiality: Information disclosed during mediation and the mediation provisions are confidential, protecting the privacy and best interest of all parties.
- ✦ Flexible arrangement: Mediation can start before litigation or at any stage during the process of litigation. Also, the mediation process and settlement are flexible.
- ♦ Save time and money: You are not required to settle the dispute in the court, avoiding the huge legal expenses and uncertainty involved in process of litigation.
- Win-win solution for all parties: Mediation can avoid the stress and risk of the adversarial court system, allowing parties to reach a settlement that is responsive to the needs of all parties.
- High level of execution: Mediation is a voluntary process in which all parties make their own decisions on the settlement agreement. They are thus more willing to comply with the agreement.
- Relationship reconstruction: Mediation can avoid confrontation and facilitate the reconstruction of relationship among all parties.

What cases are eligible to apply for this free mediation service?

Hong Kong Mediation Centre offers a one-time free mediation service of no more than 4 hours for cases including neighborhood disputes, school disputes, property disputes, leasing disputes, family disputes and building management disputes which the total amount in dispute are less than HK\$1,000,000.

How to apply for this free mediation service?



You may download the application form of Free Community Mediation Service Scheme from our website: www.mediationcentre.org.hk

- 1. The total amount in dispute should be less than HK\$1,000,000.
- 2. Hong Kong Mediation Centre reserves the right of final decision.
- The mediator may arrange a preliminary meeting. All parties should sign on the "Agreement to Mediate" before the mediation session in order to show their agreement towards mediation.
- 4. If the participant is the representative of an organization, an authorization letter should be shown during the mediation session.

Frequently Asked Questions

Question: How high is the success rate of mediation?

Answer: It depends on the case nature and the parties' sincerity during mediation. According to the statistics provided by organizations all around the world, the success rate of mediation can be as high as 70 to 80 percent.

Question: If the dispute cannot be settled within 4 hours, what can I do?

Answer: The free mediation service shall be concluded within the time limit. However, the parties can reapply for mediation service according to their needs. HKMC will consider reacceptance of the case.

Question: Are there any fees and charges for this free mediation service?

Answer: No administrative fee and service charges of mediators will be collected for this free mediation service. HKMC will also consider providing venues for holding mediation meeting free of charge.

Question: Will the mediator give any legal advice to us?

Answer: The mediator is an impartial person who will not give any legal or other professional advice to any parties, nor impose any decisions on any parties.

Question: What do I need to prepare before mediation?

Answer: 1.Familiarize with the background of the case and the issues in dispute.

- List out different acceptable settlement options in advance.
- 3. Seek legal and relevant professional advice beforehand if necessary.
- 4. If an individual's decisions are essential for resolving the dispute, that individual must be invited to participate in the whole mediation process.



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