

4 CPD HOURS

Course Introduction

A Company uses the capital invested by the shareholders to carry out the business activities and if the business is profitable, the Company may distribute a part of the profits to the shareholders in the form of dividends or if the retained profits are in excess of the needs of the Company, then the Company may return some of the share capital to the shareholders through a capital reduction. However, if the business is not profitable, the assets of the Company may not be reflective of the original share capital any more. In such a situation, the Company may cancel/reduce its share capital to a level that represents the available assets. In situations where the Company has partly paid shares and liability is put on the shareholders for the unpaid portion, the Company may opt to extinguish or reduce the liability in respect of the unpaid share capital via a capital reduction.

Under the previous legislation, a capital reduction could only be done by a special resolution confirmed by the Court. Section 117 of Companies Act 2016 ("Act") now provides an alternative to the court procedure where a company can reduce its capital by special resolution supported by a solvency statement.

Course objectives

The objective of this course is to provide a practical guide to carrying out a capital reduction under Section 117 of the Act. The course focuses on private companies but with some additional material highlighting the key issues for public listed companies. The course is designed to cover not only how to carry out capital reduction procedures, but also how to consider how defects in procedure can be remedied, recognising that often professionals are called in to advise when the legal procedures have not been adhered to. How to reduce the risk of director liability is also discussed in the context of case law.

Course details

- Drivers for initiating a capital reduction exercise
- How a company can satisfy the solvency test
- Directors' liability in making a solvency statement
- The statutory requirements on capital reduction.
- Reduction of capital due to over-capitalisation or loss of capital, the effect of the exercise
- Capital repayment exercise of public listed companies
- Creditors rights to object to capital reduction
- A step by step guide to handling a capital reduction exercise, the actions to be taken before and after the capital reduction.

Learning Outcome

By attending this programme, the participants will be able

- Have a better understanding of the situations where a capital reduction can be carried out
- Note the obligations of the company in the various filing and notification to the Registrar of Companies
- Discuss on the varied scenarios that may have an adverse impact on the company and directors

Who should attend

Directors, Company Secretaries, Auditors and Accountants

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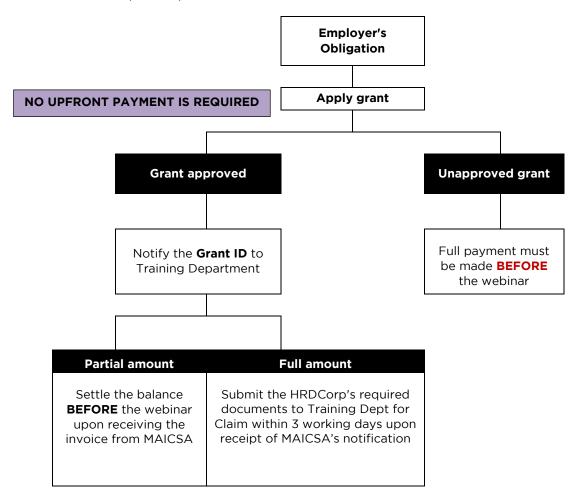
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