

24. Advertisement of petition

Every petition shall be advertised 7 clear days or such longer time as the court may direct before the hearing, as follows— (*See Form 4*)

- (a) in the case of a company whose registered office or if there shall be no such office, then whose principal or last known principal place of business is or was situate within Hong Kong once in the Gazette, and once at least in 2 Hong Kong daily newspapers, or in such other newspaper as the court directs; (*L.N. 201 of 1984*)
- (b) in the case of any other company, once in the Gazette, and twice at least in one local newspaper circulating in the district where the local register is kept, or the principal or last known principal place of business, as the case may be, of such company is or was situate, or in such other newspaper as shall be directed by the court;
- (c) the advertisement shall state the day on which the petition was presented, and the name and address of the petitioner, and of his solicitor and shall contain a note at the foot thereof, stating that any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the petition, either to oppose or support, must send notice of his intention to the petitioner, or to his solicitor within the time and in the manner prescribed by rule 30, and an advertisement of a petition for the winding up of a company by the court which does not contain such a note shall be deemed irregular.

And if the petitioner or his solicitor does not within the time hereby prescribed or within such extended time as the Registrar may allow duly advertise the petition in the manner prescribed by this rule the appointment of the time and place at which the petition is to be heard shall be cancelled by the Registrar and the petition shall be removed from the file unless a judge or the Registrar shall otherwise direct.