

BCA's RECOGNITION OF ACCREDITATION SCHEME FOR MANAGING AGENTS (MAs)

1. Will MCSTs be required to engage only accredited MAs in the future?

An MCST can engage the services of any MA firm or individual MA, regardless of whether the firm or individual is accredited. BCA encourages MCSTs to consider engaging accredited MA firms and individual MAs, as they have undergone a structured training programme specific to the area of strata management.

2. How should MAs choose between the two separate accreditation schemes offered by APFM & ASM?

Both schemes have met BCA's requirements and are recognised by BCA. Interested firms or individuals can approach the industry associations to find out more about the schemes, before deciding on the more suitable option.

3. What does the training programme entail and who conducts the training?

The training programme comprises four modules, covering competency areas identified by BCA. The first module on Legislation will be conducted by the BCA Academy. The other three modules, covering (i) Application of BMSMA, (ii) Building Services and Maintenance, and (iii) Communication and Office Administration, will be conducted by the associations and/or their training partners.

4. Is the training programme open to only individual MAs? Would any member of the public (i.e. council member) be able to attend the training programme?

The training programme is open to all subsidiary proprietors and council members. However, accreditation will only be accorded to individual MAs who meet the relevant accreditation requirements set by the respective association, which will include two years of full-time working experience in strata or property management.