

The Handbook for Foreign Workers in Taiwan

⊚The Tobacco Hazard Control Act enacted by the Health Promotion Administration, Ministry of Health and Welfare on January 11th, 2009 bans smoking in a public place or at work with three (3) people or more. Violators will be fined between Two Thousand to Ten Thousand New Taiwan Dollars (\$10,000.00NT) Non-smoking venues should display no smoking signs; violators will be fined between Ten Thousand to Fifty Thousand Taiwan Dollars below. To verify if a venue is smoke-free, please call complaints Hotline 0800-531-531 for inquiry. If you need help quitting smoking, please call up 0800-636-363 Hotline for inquiry.

To respect the lives of animals and to protect them, the Animal Protection Act specified that no individual may inflict disturbance, maltreatment or harm on animals intentionally or without justification, and may not kill dogs or cats for their meat, fur or other purposes, whereas the offender is subject to a fine between NT\$100,000 up to NT\$1,000,000, and shall be penalized by

imprisonment or detention up to one year.

⊙Do not use illegal black market foreign exchange transactions and remittance. Black market banking agencies offering foreign workers with illegal exchange services are pursuant to regulations related to the prohibition of "Non-Banking Institutions may not Engage in the Domestic or Foreign Currency Exchange Services," stipulated in Paragraph 1, Article 29 of Bank Act and Paragraph 1, Article 22 of Foreign Exchange Control Act; which act could be held liable for penalties. The currency exchange service offered by such agencies often encounter consumer disputes and hence foreign workers are encouraged to use legitimate financial institutions (such as banks) for foreign remittance and foreign exchange services in order to avoid frauds or misappropriation. At present, part of financial institutions provide foreign workers with ATM cross-border remittance, allowing them to easily and safely make remittance.

When taking any public transportation in Taiwan (such as bus, MRT or train), the passengers should yield their seats to the elderly, pregnant, handicapped or person with children. Do not

occupy the priority seats.

◎In order to protect Taiwan's precious forest resources and protect soil and water and reduce disasters, the Forest Law stipulates that no one shall steal the forest owners or by-products of state-owned forests. The violators will be sentenced to one year to seven years imprisonment and five times more Times the amount of fine; if stealing red cypress, cypress, camphor and other valuable wood, but also increase the penalty, the most important 10 years 6 months in prison and Section 10 times more than 20 times the amount of fines, Do not defy the law. If you know the case of illegal logging, please contact 0800-057-930 report, caught the highest level of 3 million people can be sent bonuses.

To ensure that you are interested in opening a financial account in Taiwan, it is recommended that you open a bank account at the financial institution to facilitate future withdrawals. To avoid identity theft for telecommunication services, please keep your personal IDs safe and do

not give them to anyone else.