

Welcome to HKIA SkyBiz

We're excited to introduce Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA) SkyBiz, a dedicated program for our global travel trade partners. Be our SkyHeros (HKIA SkyBiz member), you'll receive first-hand updates, exclusive offers, and access to member-only campaigns designed to grow your business and reward your success.

Get connected with HKIA and be the first to know what's shaping the future of travel in our region.

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POLICY UPDATE 1



Unlock Mainland China: Your 240-Hour Visa-Free Transit Guide

Effective June 12, 2025,
travelers from **55
countries** can enjoy up to
10 days of visa-free
transit through **60 ports**
in Mainland China, under
specific conditions:

- **Onward Ticket Required:** You must possess a confirmed **onward ticket to a third country/region** (Hong Kong/Macau/Taiwan count as "third regions").
- **Transit Purpose Only:** You must be transiting, not entering China as your final destination. Routes like "London → Shenzhen→Beijing → London" are **NOT** eligible.
- **Movement within approved provinces:** Stay limited to the **24 designated provincial-level regions**. Travel outside these areas is prohibited.

Perfect for short stays, layovers, or quick business trips!

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Tips for SkyHeros



HKIA as a Smart Gateway into Mainland China

Why Hong Kong?

As a Special Administrative Region (SAR), Hong Kong qualifies as the **perfect "third region"** under China's 240-hour visa-free transit policy. This allows you to design two types of seamless itineraries for clients:

1. Greater Bay Area (GBA) Loop via HKIA

Sample Itinerary:

Los Angeles → HKIA (*no immigration*) → [Ferry to Shenzhen Shekou Port] → Shenzhen (240h visa-free transit) → [Cross-boundary coach back to HKIA (*enters HK= third region*)] → Los Angeles



Why It Works:

- ✓ Seamless sea-to-China Access: Ferry from HKIA's SkyPier to Shenzhen Shekou operates airside—travelers bypass Hong Kong immigration.
- ✓ Activates China's 240-hour visa-free policy upon Shekou arrival.
- ✓ Coach return to HKIA: Hong Kong entry satisfies the "third region" requirement.

2. Multi-Cities Exploration: Mainland + Hong Kong Adventures

Sample Itinerary:

Frankfurt → Shanghai (240h visa-free transit) → HKIA (*enters HK= third region!*) → [Explore Hong Kong] → Frankfurt



Why It Works:

- ✓ Activates China's 240-hour visa-free policy upon Shanghai airport arrival.
- ✓ Hong Kong entry satisfies the "third region" requirement.

POLICY UPDATE 2



SERVICE HIGHLIGHT

HKIA
Connects
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Hong Kong's Air Passenger Departure Tax Refund Policy Optimized (Effective Oct 1, 2025)

Big news for transiting through HKIA!

The exemption scope of Air Passenger Departure Tax (APDT) will be significantly expanded:

- **Eligibility:** Travelers arriving in Hong Kong by (1) air, (2) land, or sea from Mainland China, then depart via HKIA.
- **Transit Period:** The eligible transit period is extended to up to **48 hours**.
- **Refund Process:** A new digital platform will be launched for simplified refund application, supporting **cash, credit cards** and **mobile wallet**.

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HKIA Connects: Seamless Transfers, Smarter Connections

Skip immigration lines! HKIA Connects lets self-connect passengers check in and handle baggage for onward flights at the restricted area—no customs.

- **Booking online:** 48 hours prior to departure of the onward flight
- **Minimum Connection Time:** 150 minutes
- **Onward Airlines:** 10 designated airlines (Air Cambodia, British Airways, China Eastern, Finnair, Greater Bay Airlines, HK Express, Hong Kong Airlines, Juneyaoair, Loong Air, Philippines AirAsia). More airlines to come!
- **Fees:** HK\$260 (with 2 checked bags); HK\$160 (without checked-baggage)

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Tips for SkyHeros



Extend the Stopover in Hong Kong!

With the new 48-hour transit window, the traveller can now:

- **Enjoy up to 2 days in Hong Kong.**
- **Turn layovers into micro-adventures** – shop in Tsim Sha Tsui, hike Victoria Peak, or close deals in Central.



Tips for SkyHeros



Smarter Transfer Across Airlines

- **Solve Pain Points:** Clients booking separate tickets (e.g., budget + full-service airlines) avoid immigration headaches.
- **Offer clients smoother transfer** with HKIA Connects to boost satisfaction and competitiveness.

If you see any business potentials, contact our team for details 📧

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