

Independent directors are non-executive directors that are independent by meeting at least 4 of the 9 criteria (of which at least 2 of the 3 first criteria) listed below:

1. The director must not have been employed by the company in an executive capacity within the last five years.
2. The director must not accept or have a “Family Member who accepts any payments from the company or any parent or subsidiary of the company in excess of \$60,000 during the current fiscal year or any of the past three fiscal years”, other than those permitted by SEC Rule 4200 Definitions.
3. The director must not be a “Family Member of an individual who is, or during the past three years was employed by the company or by any parent or subsidiary of the company as an executive officer.”
4. The director must not be (and must not be affiliated with a company that is) an adviser or consultant to the company or a member of the company’s senior management.
5. The director must not be affiliated with a significant customer or supplier of the company.
6. The director must have no personal services contract(s) with the company or a member of the company’s senior management.
7. The director must not be affiliated with a not-for-profit entity that receives significant contributions from the company.
8. The director must not have been a partner or employee of the company’s outside auditor during the past three years.
9. The director must not have any other conflict of interest that the board itself determines to mean they cannot be considered independent.

## Qualifications of an independent director

1. Holding no more than 1 % of total voting shares\* including the shareholding of persons related to the independent directors
2. Not currently be or never been the company’s executive director, worker, employee, salaried consultant, or controlling parties\*. Exception: It has been at least two years after the person has held the position. Such Prohibited characteristic shall not include the case where the independent used to be a government official or advisor of a government unit, which is a major shareholder or controlling person of the company.
3. Not by blood or legally registered with other directors, executives, major shareholders, controlling parties, or persons who will be nominated as directors, executives, or controlling parties of the company or subsidiary.
4. Not currently having or never had any relations with the company\* in the way that such relation may impede the person from having independent views. Also, the person should not currently be or never be a significant shareholder or controlling person for persons having business relations with the company\*. Exception: It has been at least two years after the person has held the position.
5. Not currently being or never been the company’s auditor\*. Also, the person should not currently be or never be a significant shareholder, controlling person, or partners of current auditor’s auditing firm\*. Exception: It has been at least two years after the person has held the position.
6. Not currently be providing or never provided professional services, legal consulting, nor financial consulting services to the company with a fee more than THB 2 million per year\*. Also, the person should not currently be or never be a significant shareholder, controlling person, or partners of current service providers. Exception: It has been at least two years after the person has held the position.
7. Not currently a director appointed to represent the company’s directors, major shareholders, or the shareholder related to major shareholder.
8. Not currently be operating under similar business nature and significant competition to the company or subsidiary; or not a significant partner of the partnership, executive director, salaried worker, employee, or consultant; or holding more than 1% of voting shares of any other companies operating under similar business nature and significant competition to the company and subsidiary.
9. Not under any conditions that may impede the person from having independent views towards the company’s operations.

\*Including the parent company, subsidiary, affiliate, major shareholder(s), or controlling parties of the company

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- (1) Holding shares not exceeding 0.5 percent of the total number of shares with voting rights of the Company, its parent company, subsidiary, affiliate, major shareholder or controlling person, including shares held by related persons of such independent director.
  - (2) Neither being nor used to be an executive director, employee, advisor who receives salary, or controlling person of the Company, its parent company, subsidiary, affiliate, same level subsidiary company, major shareholder or controlling person, **unless the foregoing status has ended not less than two years prior to taking the independent directorship.** Such Prohibited characteristic shall not include the case where the independent used to be a government official or advisor of a government unit, which is a major shareholder or controlling person of the company.
  - (3) Not being a person related by blood or legal registration as father, mother, spouse, sibling, and child, including spouse of child to other director, executive, major shareholder, controlling person, or person to be nominated as director, executive or controlling person of the Company or its subsidiary company.
  - (4) Neither having nor used to have a business relationship with the Company, its parent company, subsidiary, affiliate, major shareholder or controlling person, in the manner which may interfere with his/her independent judgment, and neither being nor used to be a significant shareholder or controlling person of any person having a business relationship with the Company, its parent company, subsidiary company, affiliate, major shareholder or controlling person, **unless the foregoing relationship has ended not less than two years prior to taking the independent dictatorship.**
- The term ‘business relationship’ under the first paragraph shall include any normal business transaction; rental or lease of immovable property; transaction relating to assets or services or granting or receipt of financial assistance through receiving or extending loans; guarantee; providing assets as collateral; and any other similar actions, which result in the Company or the counterparty being subject to indebtedness payable to the other party in the amount of three percent or more of the net tangible assets of the Company or 20 million Baht or more, whichever is lower. The amount of such indebtedness shall be calculated according to the method for calculation of value of connected transactions under the Notification of the Capital Market Supervisory Board. The consideration of such indebtedness shall include indebtedness occurred during the period of one year prior to the date on which the business relationship with the person commences.
- (5) Neither being nor used to be an auditor of the Company, its parent company, subsidiary, affiliate, major shareholder or controlling person, and not being a significant shareholder, controlling person, or partner of an audit firm which employs auditors of the Company, its parent company, subsidiary, affiliate, major shareholder or controlling person, **unless the foregoing relationship has ended not less than two years prior to taking the independent dictatorship.**
  - (6) Neither being nor used to be a provider of any professional services including those as legal advisor or financial advisor who receives service fees exceeding two million Baht per year from the Company, its parent company, subsidiary, affiliate, major shareholder or controlling person, and not being a significant shareholder, controlling person or partner of the provider of professional services, **unless the foregoing relationship has ended not less than two years prior to taking the independent dictatorship.**
  - (7) Not being a director appointed as representative of directors of the Company, major shareholder or shareholder who is related to major shareholder.
  - (8) Not undertaking any business in the same nature and in competition to the business of the Company or subsidiary company or not being a significant partner in a partnership or being an executive director, employee, advisor who receives salary or holding shares exceeding one percent of the total number of shares with voting rights of other company which undertakes business in the same nature and in competition to the business of the Company or its subsidiary company.
  - (9) Not having any other characteristics which cause the inability to express independent opinions with regard to the Company’s business operations.
  - (10) The tenure of an independent director shall not exceed nine consecutive years from the first date of the appointment.