

Brief Information on the 2016 Legislative Council Election

Polling Date and Hours

- 4 September 2016 (Sunday)
- 7:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Nomination Period

- 16 – 29 July 2016

Nomination Forms

- Nomination forms are available at the District Offices and the Registration and Electoral Office (“REO”) at 10/F, Harbour Centre, 25 Harbour Road, Wan Chai. They can also be downloaded from the REO website (www.reo.gov.hk).

Voting

- Each registered elector may cast 1 vote for a geographical constituency (“GC”) and 1 vote for a functional constituency (“FC”).
- Each elector or authorised representative (“AR”) will be assigned to a designated polling station.
- A poll card showing the designated polling station will be issued to the respective electors or ARs at least 10 days before the polling day.
- Whether the polling station allocated to an elector or AR is accessible to persons who are wheelchair users or have mobility difficulty will be specified in the location map attached to the poll card. Electors or ARs with mobility difficulty finding that the designated polling station is not accessible to them may apply to the REO to vote at a designated special polling station accessible to wheelchair users by fax (2891 1180), by email (reoeng@reo.gov.hk) or by telephone (2891 1001) not later than 30 August 2016.
- If electors or ARs need assistance in interpreting the information on voting, they can call the Centre for Harmony and Enhancement of Ethnic Minority Residents (“CHEER”) through the following hotline with effect from 22 August 2016.

Language	Hotline No.
Bahasa Indonesia	3755 6811
Tagalog	
Thai	
Hindi	3755 6822
Nepali	
Urdu	3755 6833
Punjabi	

How to vote?

- Bring your Hong Kong Identity Card to your designated polling station and present it to the polling staff.
- You will be given ballot paper(s) depending on your entitlement, and a cardboard together with a chop bearing a "✓" (tick). The GC and District Council (second) FC ballot papers are pre-folded by the polling staff. A black pen will also be given to an elector or AR of the four special FCs (i.e. Heung Yee Kuk FC, Agriculture & Fisheries FC, Insurance FC and Transport FC).
- Mark your ballot paper(s) inside a voting compartment.
- All electors or ARs (except for electors or ARs of the four special FCs) must use the chop attached to the cardboard to stamp a "✓" (tick) in the circle opposite the list of candidate(s) or the name of candidate of your choice.
- For electors or ARs of the four special FCs, please use the black pen issued to you to mark an Arabic numeral "1" in the circle opposite the name of the candidate of your first preference and an Arabic numeral "2" opposite the name of the candidate of your second preference, and so on. You must mark a first preference for one candidate only.
- If you make any error in marking a ballot paper or have inadvertently spoiled a ballot paper, you may return that ballot paper to the Presiding Officer and ask for a replacement.
- After marking a ballot paper:
 - (a) a GC elector should fold the ballot paper once according to the pre-folding by polling staff so that the marked side is inside to conceal the "✓" (tick) before putting it into the **blue** ballot box;

(b) a District Council (second) FC elector should similarly fold the ballot paper once and then put it into the **white** ballot box; and

(c) an elector or AR of the other FCs should not fold the ballot paper. Please turn it face down and insert it into the **red** ballot box.

Clean Elections

According to the Elections (Corrupt and Illegal Conduct) Ordinance (Cap. 554) enforced by the Independent Commission Against Corruption, an elector **MUST NOT**:

- solicit or accept any advantage (including money, gift, etc.), food, drink or entertainment from any person for not voting at an election, or voting or not voting for a particular candidate or particular candidates;
- use or threaten to use force or duress to influence anyone's voting decision;
- vote at an election knowing that he/she is not entitled to do so; or after having knowingly or recklessly given false or misleading information (e.g. false residential address) to an electoral officer.