

2021 Legislative Council General Election **Admission Arrangement for the Central Counting Station**

The Central Counting Station (“CCS”) (including the Media Centre inside the CCS) of the 2021 Legislative Council General Election will be set up at Hall 3 and Hall 5 of the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (“HKCEC”), Wan Chai. Candidates and Agents, and members of the public can observe the counting of votes of the Functional Constituencies and the Election Committee Constituency and the announcement of election results in the CCS.

Candidates and Agents

Candidates and Agents may enter the “Candidates and Agents Area” in the CCS to observe the counting of votes and the announcement of election results. Candidates and Agents need to go to the designated registration counter at Hall 5E, 5/F of the HKCEC, and present their Hong Kong Identity Cards to counter staff for registration. After verification, they will receive an identification name badge and a wristband for admission. After getting the name badge and wristband, they have to go through the bag search process before entering or re-entering the CCS.

Members of the Public

Members of the public may enter the public galleries in the CCS to observe the counting of votes and the announcement of election results. Owing to the limited space and the implementation of social distancing measures in the CCS, the seating capacity of the public galleries is limited to 470. Starting from 9:45 p.m. on 19 December 2021, members of the public will be admitted to the CCS on a “first-come, first-served” basis via the Harbour Road Entrance. They are required to go through the bag search process before entering or re-entering the CCS and to wear a wristband provided by the Registration and Electoral Office (“REO”) for identification purpose at the point of admission at the Chancellor Room on 4/F of the HKCEC. A total of 470 wristbands will be distributed, while stocks last.

Before entering the CCS, all persons are required to follow the following admission arrangements -

1. To wear masks properly and be subject to body temperature screening in view of the latest situation of COVID-19 epidemic. To use the “LeaveHomeSafe” mobile application to scan the CCS QR code. Persons who are aged below 12 or aged 65 or above, and those with disabilities that

render use of the app difficult, will be exempted from the requirement of using the app when they enter the CCS. However, they are required to complete a record form to register their names, the first four digits or letters of their identification documents, their contact numbers and the date and time of their visits. They are also required to present relevant identification documents for verification at the request of the staff of the REO or the HKCEC on site during registration. The staff of the REO or the HKCEC will also verify the contact numbers provided by the aforesaid persons by making phone calls. The REO may deny entry to the CCS of any persons who refuse to comply with the above preventive measures or persons with signs of fever, or persons with respiratory symptoms or sudden loss of taste or smell.

2. To observe the House Rules and go through the metal detector and bag search process before entering the CCS.
3. To put on the name badges/wristbands, as appropriate, within the CCS for identification and re-entry purpose.
4. To go through the metal detector and bag search process again upon re-entering the CCS.
5. When leaving the CCS with **NO** intention of re-entry, please inform the security guards at the exit of the CCS who will assist you to remove the wristbands. For Candidates and Agents, please also place the name badges in the collection box at the exit.
6. No replacement for any lost or damaged wristbands will be arranged.