# Guidelines and Conditions on the Use of Community Hall / Community Centre in Sham Shui Po District

# 1. Time and facilities available for booking

- (A) The addresses, telephone numbers and facilities available for booking of the 8 community centres and community halls (CC/CH) under the management of Sham Shui Po District Office (SSPDO) are set out in Appendixes 1-2. The facilities are available for booking from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily, 13 sessions per day and 1 hour per session whereas each session starts and ends on the hour.
- (B) For booking of multi-purpose halls in CC/CH, the minimum number of participants is 10.

### 2. Eligibility criteria

The eligibility criteria for the booking of venues ad facilities of CC/CH are given below:

- (A) The applicant should be a registered society, a charitable/non-profit making/non-commercial organization, a school, a Government recognized district committee/organization, or a Government Department. Application from organization/body or individual other than the above will be considered only under special circumstances.
- (B) The proposed activities must be in the interest of the public or serve the purpose of community building. Activities of commercial nature, in breach of the law or liable to cause social disorder will not be allowed.

# 3. <u>Procedure for application/payment of charges</u>

# 3.1 Submission of application

- (A) The applicant should submit, at least seven working days in advance, a completed application form to the SSPDO setting out the joint organizer/co-organizer, if any, and specifying the purpose and the programme of the proposed activity. A valid application form must bear the signature of the person-in-charge or authorized person of the applicant organization, specifying the name and title of the person-in-charge of the proposed activity, and affixed with official seal. If the proposed activity involves charges from the participants, the applicant must submit an estimate of income and expenditure for consideration.
- (B) Application forms are available at the CC/CH of Sham Shui Po District and the Sham Shui Po Home Affairs Enquiry Centre, and can be downloaded from the homepage of the Home Affairs Department (www.had.gov.hk). For enquiries about the booking procedures, please contact our office at 2150 8127.
- (C) Applicant organization may submit the application form and other required documents by the following means:

  By fax or by email (Fax No. 2387 9805, E-mail address: chcc\_ssp@had.gov.hk)

  By post or submit in person to SSPDO, 4/F, Cheung Sha Wan Government Offices, 303 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon.

# 3.2 Charges

Rates of charges for the use of the facilities of CC/CH are set out in Appendix 3. The rates of charges are subject to regular review and revision.

# 3.3 Exemption of Charges

- (A) The applicant and joint <u>organizer/co-organizer</u>, if any, meeting the conditions set out in Appendix 4, should submit its application with supporting documents to apply for rental exemption at the same time.
- (B) If a fee-charging activity has been exempted from charges, the applicant organization must submit a statement of account (see Appendix 5) certified by its authorized person within one month after conclusion of the activity to prove that no profit has been made from the activity. The applicant needs not attach any receipts/supporting documents to the self-certified statement of account when it is first submitted. However, as SSPDO will conduct random checks on statement of account of fee-charging activities which have been exempted from charges, the applicant must retain the receipts and supporting documents for the activity for two years. Production of such receipts and supporting documents for examination is required if the self-certified statement of account in respect of the activity is selected by SSPDO for random check. Such receipts/supporting documents must be signed, certified correct and affixed with official seal. If the applicant fails to provide the receipts/supporting documents to District Office for inspection upon request, it will be required to pay back the exempted charges.
- (C) If the applicant is found not eligible for waiver of charges after such waiver has been granted or fails to produce relevant receipts and supporting documents for examination upon our checking the statement of account of fee-charging activities (see clause 3.3(B) above), it will be required to pay back the exempted charges as soon as possible.

### 4. Advance Booking System

4.1 Applicant intends to apply for the use of facilities of CC/CH may, depending whether it is a local organization (i.e. whether an organization, when making its application, has an office in Sham Shui Po District), make advance bookings according to the following mechanism and timetables.

### 4.2 Advance Booking System and Timetable for Local Organizations

- (A) First round of booking applications submitted by local organizations will be processed by ballot. Unallocated timeslots will then be released for application on first-come-first-served basis.
- (B) We will receive quarterly advance bookings from local organizations. The booking timetable is given in below:

Booking Period	1st Round of	Ballot Day &	2 <sup>nd</sup> Round of
	<u>Application</u>	Announcement of Results	<u>Application</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter (Jan to Mar)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter of preceding year (last 5 working days in Sep, counting from 00:00 on the 1 <sup>st</sup> working day to 23:59 on the 5 <sup>th</sup> working day )	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter of preceding year (drawing lots on 8 <sup>th</sup> working day in Oct; announce the priority of applicant within two days of lots drawing; announce unallocated slots on the last working day in Oct)	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter of preceding year (Commence at 9:00 a.m. on the 5 <sup>th</sup> working day in Nov)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter (Apr to Jun)	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter of preceding year (last 5 working days in Dec, counting from 00:00 on the 1 <sup>st</sup> working day to 23:59 on the 5 <sup>th</sup> working day )	1st Quarter (drawing lots on 8th working day in Jan; announce the priority of applicant within two days of lots drawing; announce unallocated slots on the last working day in Jan)	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter (Commence at 9:00 a.m. on the 5 <sup>th</sup> working day in Feb)
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter (Jul to Sep)	1st Quarter of the year (last 5 working days in Mar, counting from 00:00 on the 1st working day to 23:59 on the 5th working day)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter (drawing lots on 8 <sup>th</sup> working day in Apr; announce the priority of applicant within two days of lots drawing; announce unallocated slots on the last working day in Apr)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter (Commence at 9:00 a.m. on the 5 <sup>th</sup> working day in May)
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter (Oct to Dec)	2nd Quarter of the year (last 5 working days in Jun, counting from 00:00 on the 1st working day to 23:59 on the 5th working day)	3rd Quarter (drawing lots on 8 <sup>th</sup> working day in Jul; announce the priority of applicant within two days of lots drawing; announce unallocated slots on the last working day in Jul)	3rd Quarter (Commence at 9:00 a.m. on the 5 <sup>th</sup> working day in Aug)

# First Round of Booking

- (C) On the last 5 working days of each quarter, we will accept applications for venues of the second next quarter. Early, late or repeated applications will not be accepted.
- (D) Upon receipt of applications, we will process the applications in the following manners:
  - (a) First round of bookings will be processed by ballot on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> month of each quarter (i.e. January, April, July and October) to decide the priority of the applicants. Applicants may choose to assign at most one representative to attend the ballot conducted at 3pm in the Conference Room of Nam Cheong District Community Centre (NCDCC). No separate notification on the time, date and

place of ballot will be given. Representatives of applicant organizations who wish to observe the ballot may attend according to schedule. In the event of a Tropical Cyclone Signal No.8 or above is hoisted or a Black Rainstorm Warning is issued by the Hong Kong Observatory, the ballot will be deferred to the next working day at 3pm at the Conference Room of NCDCC. In case of changes to the ballot schedule due to other reasons, we will notify the applicants separately. Successful applicants will be notified in writing of the booking results of the ballot.

- (b) We will announce on the last working day of the 1<sup>st</sup> month of each quarter the all unallocated timeslots of the 8 CC/CHs.
- (E) Each applicant can only apply for not more than a total of 240 hours for each quarter, the upper limit for a CC/CH is 80 hours.
- (F) Each applicant should submit one application form for each activity. Each application form should only for the use of one CC/CH and the timeslot applied should start and end on the hour.
- (G) Applicants may indicate a Next Preferred Option of timeslot for their activity. In handling applications:
  - Most Preferred Option will be awarded if the respective time slots have not been occupied;
  - Time slots of the Next Preferred Option will be allocated if that of the Most Preferred Option has been occupied;
  - If the Most Preferred Option has been occupied in part, the option with longer hours will be awarded
- (H) If an applicant applies for more than one activity or venue, he should submit the Summary Table at Annex 1 to the application form, summarizing the priority and number of hours of his bookings. If the total hours of booking exceed the upper limit given in clause 4.2(E) above, we will process its bookings according to the priority set out by the applicant and exclude from the ballot the activities which have exceeded the time limit.
- (I) If the timeslots in question overlap with the activity timeslots or reserved timeslots mentioned in paragraph 7 below, the application will be processed on the basis of the principles set out in clause 4.2(G) above.

# Second Round of Booking

- (J) As mentioned in clause 4.2(D) above, we will announce the unallocated timeslots of the 8 CC/CH on the last working day of the first month of each quarter. Applicants may submit applications on specified dates for the second round of booking (see specified dates in the table under clause 4.2(B) above).
- (K) Applicants who have already been allotted with timeslots after drawing of lots may also apply.
- (L) We will allocate the remaining timeslots on first-come-first-served basis according to the date and time of receipt of the applications.

(M) Approval will only be given to not more than 20 hours of booking a day on first-come-first-served basis. Nevertheless, in calculating the number of hours of hours of bookings, each kind of facility in a CC/CH, including multi-purpose hall, conference room, activity room and open-air playground, will be treated separately. For instance, approval will be given to an applicant who applies to book the hall of a CC/CH for a period of 20 hours and the conference room of the same CC/CH for a period of 20 hours in the same day. If an applicant submits application for booking the facilities for a period in excess of the allowable hours a day (i.e. 20 hours per day per applicant), the unapproved hours of booking will be carried forward to the following day and be processed together with other applications on a 20 hours-a-day basis.

# 4.3 Advance Booking System and Timetable for Non-Local Organizations

- (A) Non-local organization (i.e. organizations that do not have any formal offices in Sham Shui Po District) can only apply for the use of venues two months in advance. For example, it may apply in January for the use of venues up to February of the same year.
- (B) We will offer the remaining timeslots on first-come-first-served basis according to the date and time of receipt of the applications from both local and non-local organizations.
- (C) As stated clause 4.2(M) above, approval will only be given to not more than 20 hours of booking a day on first-come-first-served basis. Nevertheless, in calculating the number of hours of hours of bookings, each kind of facility in a CC/CH, including multi-purpose hall, conference room, activity room and open-air playground, will be treated separately. For instance, approval will be given to an applicant who applies to book the hall of a CC/CH for a period of 20 hours and the conference room of the same CC/CH for a period of 20 hours in the same day. If an applicant submits application for booking the facilities for a period in excess of the allowable hours a day (i.e. 20 hours per day per applicant), the unapproved hours of booking will be carried forward to the following day and be processed together with other applications on a 20 hours-a-day basis.

### 4.4 Announcement of Results

Applicants will be informed in writing of the outcomes of their applications as soon as possible. Any addition or change of the joint organizer/co-organizer as set out in the application form is not allowed without permission.

### 5. Payment and registration

- (A) Upon approval of the application, a Demand Note for the settlement of the charges will be mailed to the applicant if payment is required.
- (B) The applicant should settle the Demand Note as soon as possible with any of the payment methods stated therein. The receipted Demand Note, serving as a permit for use of the venue and facilities, should be presented by the applicant to the officer-in-charge of the CC/CH concerned before the scheduled activity begins. No cash should be handed to any staff members of the CC/CH.
- (C) The applicant shall be refused the use of the venue and facilities if he fails to produce the receipted Demand Note or the letter of approval for exemption of payment on site.

# 6. Cancellation of Booking

- (A) Written notification of cancellation of the use of the CC/CH facilities should be given to the SSPDO at least 14 working days in advance of the proposed activities. Necessary action will be taken to refund any payment already made on production of receipted Demand Note.
- (B) If a booked venue has to be reserved for departmental use under emergency relief arrangement, for example, to accommodate typhoon victims or shelter seekers during the activation of the temporary/cold/heat shelter, the applicant so affected will be informed as soon as possible. Any payment already made will be refunded on production of receipted Demand Note.
- (C) If an applicant fails to turn up without the notification required in clause 6(A) above, any amount paid will be forfeited.

## 7. Arrangement for Priority Booking/Reservation of Venues

- (A) Government departments will be accorded priority in booking venues.
- (B) Activities organized by District Council or its Committees/Working Groups will be accorded priority in booking venues.
- (C) The following periods are reserved for functional uses. Priority will be given to local Owners' Corporations and management organizations formed under the Deeds of Mutual Covenant (such as Owners' Committee) for holding owners' meetings.

### Hall

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Venue</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> Sat	5 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	Nam Cheong District Community Centre
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat	5 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	Cheung Sha Wan Community Centre
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat	5 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	Shek Kip Mei Community Hall
4 <sup>th</sup> Sat	5 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	Lai Kok Community Hall

# Conference Room

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Venue</u>
1st Fri & 2nd Sat	5 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	Nam Cheong District Community Centre
3 <sup>rd</sup> Fri & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sat	5 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	Shek Kip Mei Community Hall

- (D) If no booking for the reserved evenings has been received 4 weeks in advance, the timeslots will be open for application.
- (E) The following timeslots will be reserved for the conduction of major cleansing works in CC/CH:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Every Mon	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Cheung Sha Wan Community Centre
		Pak Tin Community Hall
		Lai Chi Kok Community Hall
Every Tue	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Shek Kip Mei Community Hall
Every Wed	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Tai Hang Tung Community Centre
		Lai Kok Community Hall
Every Thu	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Mei Foo Community Hall
Every Fri	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Nam Cheong District Community Centre

### 8. Regulations and conditions to be followed by applicants

- (A) Compliance with the Law of the People's Republic of China on Safeguarding National Security in Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (National Security Law) and other laws in force:
  - (a) The applicant shall declare and ensure that no acts or activities which are likely to constitute or are likely to cause the occurrence of an offence endangering national security under the National Security Law or other relevant laws of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR), or which would otherwise be contrary to the interest of national security, shall be engaged in the part(s) of the CH/CC hired by the applicant.
  - (b) The applicant shall further declare and ensure that all acts and activities engaged in the part(s) of the CH/CC hired by the applicant shall comply with the laws in force in the HKSAR.
  - (c) Conduct which may endanger national security or breach other laws in force in the HKSAR will be reported to the law enforcement agencies.
- (B) To ensure fire safety, the following regulations and conditions should be followed by the applicants:

### (a) Indoor and outdoor activities

- The premises can only be used for the designated activities/functions.
- No change shall be made to the structural design or layout of the premises that will increase the designated capacity or render escape difficult in the event of emergency.
- No decoration of readily combustible materials shall be used.
- Chairs, if provided for audience, shall be battened together in groups of no less than four and not more than fourteen per row.
- Power cable shall be so located that it will not pose a hazard to audience/participants.
- No scenery or decorations of readily combustible nature shall be erected on

- the stage.
- No hydrogen-filled balloons of readily combustible nature shall be hung at site
- All exit doors shall remain unlocked.
- All staircases, exits and corridors shall be kept free from obstruction and be adequately illuminated.

## (b) Outdoor activities

- The stage, if any, shall be substantially constructed to such a safety standard as required by the Buildings Department/Architectural Services Department and sited at least six metres from other buildings.
- Only electric lightings shall be used for illumination purpose.
- Mill barriers shall be set up to bar off audience/participants from performing area, P.A. and lighting control booth.
- One 9-litre water/CO2 fire extinguisher shall be provided at the following locations:
  - ◆ Command post;
  - ♦ Main entrance.
- (C) The number of participants should not exceed the maximum capacity of the venue.
- (D) All activities must be held in accordance with the programmes previously submitted by the applicants.
- (E) The applicant shall not post or hang posters, slogans, banners or portraits; nor allow animals except guide dogs in the CH/CC when using the facilities without prior approval from the District Office. The applicant shall maintain good order and discipline during the activity. No sprinkling of powder on the floor is allowed.
- (F) The applicant shall assume responsibilities for physical arrangement such as seating, and shall not put any nails or other materials that are difficult to remove such as lacquer and paints on the walls, furniture, floors and other equipment. The applicant shall be liable to pay for any damage to any equipment, furniture, or fabric of the venue.
- (G) The applicant shall restore the facilities to their original conditions, clean up the site after use and hand back the venue at scheduled time.
- (H) The applicant may provide its own sound equipment. If audio-visual or stage lighting equipment within CC/CH is required for the staging of drama or any other kind of performance, application for its use must be submitted along with the application for the venue. Upon approval, the applicant should employ experienced technician(s) or operator(s) to operate the control panel and notify the officer-in-charge of the CC/CH. The applicant shall assume full responsibility for any damage caused.
- (I) Air-conditioning service will be provided to the applicant upon prior application and payment of due charges set out in Appendix 3. For the sake of energy saving and

- prevention of abuse, air conditioning will only be provided when an outdoor temperature of 25.5°C or above has been recorded by the Hong Kong Observatory.
- (J) Smoking, cooking, lighting of fire (including ignition of any material) or using fireworks etc. is strictly prohibited within the facilities of all CC/CH (including indoor or outdoor areas).
- (K) No fund-raising, sales, bidding or auction activities should be conducted in the venue unless the applicant has obtained permits issued by the relevant government department and prior approval from the District Office.
- (L) No eating or drinking is allowed inside CC/CH unless prior approval from this office has been obtained. The guidelines on application for eating and drinking inside CC/CH and relevant application form are set out in Appendix 6 and Appendix 7 respectively.
- (M) Staff members of this office shall have the right to enter, at any time, any part of the CC/CH booked by the applicant and to impose additional conditions for its continued use in the light of prevailing circumstances.
- (N)The Home Affairs Department has entered into licence agreements with Composers and Authors Society of Hong Kong Limited (CASH), Phonographic Performance (South East Asia) Limited and Hong Kong Recording Industry Alliance Limited for the performance of copyright literary and musical works, playing and showing of sound recordings, music videos and karaoke videos controlled or administered by the three licensing bodies at CHs/CCs. The applicant does not need to apply for an individual licence from these three copyright licensing bodies if the copyright works to be performed, played and/or shown by it at CHs/CCs are controlled or administered by these licensing bodies and its performance, playing and/or showing is not excluded by the relevant licence agreements. The exclusions in the relevant licence agreements are set out at Appendix 11. The applicant shall not hinder, obstruct or prevent these licensing bodies from entering any part of the CH/CC used by the applicant for the purpose of the licensing body exercising its right of entry (if any) under the relevant licensing agreement.
- (O) (i) Subject to clause 8(N), the applicant shall not use (whether by performing, showing or playing or otherwise) any copyright works (including but not limited to lyrics, music, drama, recorded music, music videos, karaoke videos and film) in a CH/CC or any part thereof, unless the applicant has obtained and maintained at its own cost and expense all necessary approvals, permits or licences which may be required or necessary from the relevant copyright owners.
  - (ii) The applicant shall not, and shall ensure that its authorized users shall not, engage in any performance or do any act which infringes the intellectual property rights or any other rights of any person in the course of using the CH/CC.
- (P) For the purpose of clause 8, "intellectual property rights" refer to patents, trade marks, service marks, trade names, design rights, copyright, domain names, database rights, rights in know-how, new inventions, designs or processes and other intellectual property rights whether now known or created in future (of whatever nature and wherever arising), and in each case whether registered or unregistered and including applications for the grant of any such rights.

- (Q) If the applicant performs, plays and/or shows copyright musical works, the applicant shall complete CASH's "Programme Return Form" and return the duly completed Form to CASH within 30 days from the date of last performance.
- (R) The applicant and its members, partners, employees, contractors, agents and licensees (hereinafter referred to as "stakeholders" of the applicant), whether as guests or not, are using or present at the CC/CH at their own risk. Neither the Government nor any of its employees, agents or contractors shall be liable whatsoever for or in respect of:
  - (a) any loss of or damage to any of the applicant's property or that of any of its stakeholders however caused (whether by any act, omission, default or negligence of the Government and any of its employees, agents or otherwise); or
  - (b) any injury to or death of the applicant or any of its stakeholders (save and except any such injury or death caused by the negligence of the Government or any of its employees or agents).
    - which in any case arise directly or indirectly in connection with, out of or in relation to the use of the CC/CH by the applicant or any of its stakeholders.
- (S) The applicant shall indemnify and keep the Government fully and effectively indemnified against:
  - (a) any and all claims (whether or not successful, compromised, settled, withdrawn or discontinued, in whole or in part), actions, investigations, demands, proceedings or judgments, joint or several, threatened, brought or established against the Government ("Claims"); and
  - (b) Any and all liabilities, losses, damages, costs, charges or expenses (including all legal fees and other awards, costs, payments, charges and expenses) which the Government may pay or incur as a result of or in relation to any Claims.
    - which in any case arise directly or indirectly in connection with, out of or in relation to the use of the CC/CH by the applicant or any of its stakeholders including any loss, damage, injury or death referred to in clause 8(Q) above (save and except injury or death caused by the negligence of the Government or any of its employees or agents), and any infringement of intellectual property rights or any other rights of any person.
- (T) The applicant shall indemnify and keep the Government fully and effectively indemnified against any loss of or damage to any property of the Government or of any of its employees, agents or contractors or any injury to or death of any employee, agent or contractor of the Government arising out of the negligence of the applicant or any of its stakeholders.
- (U) For the purpose of clauses 8(R), 8(S) and 8(T), "negligence" shall have the same meaning as that assigned to it in section 2(1) of the Control of Exemption Clauses Ordinance (Cap.71).
- (V) The applicant shall further observe and comply with any additional rules, advice, regulations and special conditions as may be prescribed by the District Office or DC/DFMC from time to time in relation to the use of CH/CC as the circumstances

may require and ensure that its employees, agents, co-organisers, contractors and all other persons admitted to the CH/CC shall also do so.

If the applicant fails to comply with any of the requirements or conditions set out in this document or any additional rules, advice, regulations and special conditions as may be prescribed by the District Office or DC/DFMC from time to time, the District Office is entitled to cancel the confirmed booking, terminate the use of the CH/CC with immediate effect and forfeit any payment made by the applicant in relation to the use of the CH/CC. The applicant shall vacate the CH/CC immediately under such circumstances.

Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the District Office has the authority to interpret and make exceptions to the regulations and conditions contained herein.

- (W) The expiry of the approved period of use of the CH/CC shall be without prejudice to any of the regulations or conditions contained herein that are capable of being observed or performed notwithstanding such expiry (including but not limited to clauses 8(S) and 8(T) which shall survive the same and shall continue to be binding on the applicant and shall remain in full force and effect.
- (X) This office shall have the right of not granting the use of a CC/CH (including the venue and the facilities thereof) to any applicant.
- (Y) This office may at any time recover the granted venue and facilities for emergency use but will notify the applicant at the earliest possible time.

### 9. The Demerit Points System

- (A) In the event of breach of any guidelines, regulations and conditions, in addition to the consequences set out in clause 8(V) above, demerit points will be given for the breach. Demerit points are given for each breach and counted individually, irrespective of whether the breach takes place in the same activity. Each breach will attract demerit points ranging from 3 points for "Minor Breaches", 5 points for "Serious Breaches" to 10 points for "Very Serious Breaches", having regard to the seriousness of the breach. Once an applicant has accrued a total of 10 or more demerit points within 12 months, it will be banned from booking all CC/CH and using CH/CC facilities as joint organizer/co-organizer within the same district where it reaches or exceeds the demerit point threshold in the next two quarters, and the approval granted to it for use of CC/CH facilities will be withdrawn immediately where circumstances warrant. Details of the demerit points system are set out in Appendix 8.
- (B) To ensure that the facilities of CC/CH are properly used, staff member of SSPDO will carry out inspection, and jointly sign with the Person-in-charge of the Activity on the Inspection Checklist (Appendix 9) for record.
- (C) Examples showing the calculation of demerit points are at Appendix 10.

# 10. Arrangement under Typhoon or Rainstorm Warnings

(A) In the event of a Tropical Cyclone Signal No.8 or above is hoisted or a Black Rainstorm Warning is issued by the Hong Kong Observatory, the CC/CH facilities

will be closed. Users shall forthwith terminate the activity and leave the CC/CH, or stay in the CC/CH until conditions are safe for them to leave.

If Tropical Cyclone Signal No.8 or above is hoisted or a Black Rainstorm Warning is issued by the Hong Kong Observatory within two hours before the booked timeslot, the booked timeslot will be cancelled. In case of cancellation of the above signals/warnings, SSPDO will make arrangement as follows:

Signal Cancellation Time	CC/CH Closing Time
Signal cancelled between 9:00 a.m. and	From 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Reopen after
11:00 a.m.	2:00 p.m.)
Signal cancelled between 11:00 a.m. and	From 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Reopen after
4:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.)
Signal cancelled at or after 4:00 p.m.	From 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

# 11. Enquiry

(A) Organizations which have made their bookings may call the CC/CH or SSPDO at the following telephone numbers for enquiries:

	About arrangement of	About loan of
	facilities on activity day	equipment and use of
		facilities
	CC/CH	SSPDO Liaison Team
	Service hours: Mon to Sun	Service hours: Mon to Fri
	(9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.)	(9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. &
	Except Lunar New Year	2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.)
	Holidays	
Cheung Sha Wan Community Centre	2361 7787	2150 8145
Nam Cheong District Community	2728 0283	2150 8145
Centre		
Tai Hang Tung Community Centre	2776 8233	2150 8144
Lai Kok Community Hall	2386 4882	2150 8144
Shek Kip Mei Community Hall	2778 1127	2150 8144
Pak Tin Community Hall	27791162	2150 8144
Lai Chi Kok Community Hall	3528 0747	2150 8145
Mei Foo Community Hall	2743 3200	2150 8145

<sup>(</sup>B) Others enquiries may be addressed to our staff at 2150 8127.

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# **Community Centres and Community Halls available for public use**

	Community Centers/ Halls of Sham Shui Po District	Facilities available for booking	Seating capacity
1.	Cheung Sha Wan Community Centre  Address : 55 Fat Tseung Street, Cheung Sha Wan, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon  Tel. : 2361 7787	Hall (can be set up as badminton court; male/female dressing room provided) Outdoor Play Area	300
	101 2301 //0/	Multi-purpose Activity Room	30
2.	Nam Cheong District Community Centre  Address: 1 Cheong San Lane, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon  Tel.: 2728 0283	Hall (can be set up as badminton court; male/female dressing room provided) Basketball Court	200
	101 2720 0203	Conference Room	30
3.	Tai Hang Tung Community Centre  Address : 17 Tong Yam Street, Tai Hang Tung, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon  Tel. : 2776 8233	Hall (male/female dressing room provided) Basketball Court	300
4.	Lai Kok Community Hall	Hall	250
	Address: Lai Kok Estate, Cheung Sha Wan, Tel. Sham Shui Po, Kowloon : 2386 4882	(male/female dressing room provided) Conference Room	8
5.	Shek Kip Mei Community Hall Address: Block 42, Shek Kip Mei Estate, Nam Cheong Street, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon	Hall (can be set up as badminton court; male/female dressing room provided)	300
	Tel. : 2778 1127	Activity Room	30
		Conference Room Multi-purpose Activity Room	30 30
6.	Pak Tin Community Hall Address: Pak Tin Estate, 51 Pak Tin Street, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon	Hall (can be set up as badminton court; male/female dressing room provided)	450
	Tel. : 2779 1162	Conference Room	45
		Stage Meeting Room	28
7.	Lai Chi Kok Community Hall Address: G/F., 863 Lai Chi Kok Road, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon	Hall (can be set up as badminton court; male/female dressing room provided)	450
	(Entrance facing Sham Shing Road) Tel. : 3528 0747	Conference Room Stage Meeting Room	45 24
8.	Mei Foo Community Hall Address: 1/F & 2/F, Mei Foo Government Complex 33 Mei Lai Road, Mei Foo, Sham Shui Po		450
	Kowloon Tel : 2743 3200	Conference Room Stage Meeting Room	30 15

Application should be submitted to:
Sham Shui Po District Office (Administration Section)
4/F., Cheung Sha Wan Government Offices, 303 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon

: 2387 9805 Tel. : 2150 8127

E-mail.: chcc\_ssp@had.gov.hk

# Facilities of Community Hall/Centres in Sham Shui Po

CC/CH	Cheung Sha	Nam Cheong	Tai Hang Tung	Lai Kok	Lai Chi Kok	Pak Tin	Shek Kip Mei	Mei Foo
	Wan	District	Community	Community Hall	Community Hall	Community Hall	Community Hall	Community Hall
	Community	Community	Centre					
Facilities	Centre	Centre						
Hall	1. Stage lighting	1. Stage lighting	1. Stage lighting	1. Stage lighting	1. Stage lighting	1. Stage lighting	1. Stage lighting	1. Stage lighting
	2. Audio system	2. Audio system	2. Audio system	2. Audio system	2. Audio system	2. Audio system	2. Audio system	2. Audio system
	3. Floor	3. Floor	3. Floor	3. Floor	3. Floor microphone	3. Floor	3. Floor	3. Floor
	microphone and	microphone and	microphone and	microphone	and stand	microphone	microphone and	microphone and
	stand	stand	stand	and stand	4. Wireless micro-	and stand	stand	stand
	4. Wireless micro-	4. Wireless micro-	4. Wireless micro-	4. Wireless micro-	Phone	4. Wireless micro-	4. Wireless micro-	4. Wireless micro-
	phone	phone	phone	phone	5. Clip microphone	phone	Phone	phone
	5. Clip microphone	5. Clip microphone	5. Clip microphone	5. Clip microphone	6. Projector and	5. Clip microphone	5. Clip microphone	5. Clip microphone
	6. Video system	6. Video system and	6. Video system	6. Video system	Screen	6. Video system	6. Video system	6. Projector and
	and Karaoke	Karaoke	and Karaoke	and Karaoke	7.Badminton stand	and	and Karaoke	Screen
	7. Projector and	7. Projector and	7. Projector and	7. Projector and	and net	Karaoke	7. Projector and	7.Projector
	screen	screen	screen	Screen	8. Choir riser	7. Projector and	Screen	(hand-held)
	8. Piano	8. Piano	8. Wall mirror for	8. Piano	9. Music stand	screen	8. Piano	8. Badminton stand
	9. Badminton stand	9. Badminton stand	dancing	9. Wall mirror for	10. Table Tennis Table	8. Piano	9. Badminton stand	and net

	and net	and net		dancing		9. Badminton stand	and net	9. Choir riser
	10. Wyte board			10. Wyte board		and net	10. Music stand	10. Music stand
						10. Wyte board		
						11. Table Tennis		
						Table		
CC/CH	Cheung Sha	Nam Cheong	Tai Hang Tung	Lai Kok	Lai Chi Kok	Pak Tin	Shek Kip Mei	Mei Foo
	Wan	District	Community	Community Hall	Community Hall	Community Hall	Community Hall	Community Hall
		District	Community	Community Han	Community Han	Community Han	Community Han	Community Han
	Community	Community	Centre		Community Han	Community IIan	Community Iran	Community IIan
Facilities			· ·	Community Han	Community Han	Community Ham	Community Han	Community 11an
Facilities  Conference	Community	Community	· ·	Wyte board	Projector and	1. Audio and	Projector and	1. Projector and
	Community	Community Centre	· ·		-	·	·	
Conference	Community	Community Centre  1. Projector and	· ·	1. Wyte board	Projector and	1. Audio and	1. Projector and	1. Projector and
Conference	Community	Community Centre  1. Projector and screen	· ·	Wyte board     Conference table	Projector and     screen	Audio and     Video System	Projector and     screen	1. Projector and screen
Conference	Community	Community Centre  1. Projector and screen  2. Wyte board	· ·	Wyte board     Conference table	Projector and     screen      Wyte board	Audio and     Video System     Projector and	Projector and screen  2. Wyte board	Projector and screen      Wyte board
Conference	Community	Community Centre  1. Projector and screen  2. Wyte board 3. Folding tables	· ·	Wyte board     Conference table	1. Projector and screen  2. Wyte board  3. Conference table	Audio and     Video System     Projector and     Screen	1. Projector and screen  2. Wyte board  3. Conference table	<ol> <li>Projector and screen</li> <li>Wyte board</li> <li>Folding tables</li> </ol>

		phone				dancing	Phone and	
							wireless micro-	
							phone	
Stage	-	-	-	-	1. Wyte board	1. Audio and	-	1. Projector and
Meeting Room						Video System		screen
						2. Projector and		2. Wyte board
						Screen		3. Folding tables
						3. Folding table		and office chairs
						and chairs		
						4. Wall mirror for		
						dancing		
Activity	-		-	-	-	-	1. Wyte board	-
Room							2. Audio system	
							3. Clip microphone	
							4. Wireless micro-	
							Phone	

Multi- purpose	1. Projector and	-	-	-	-	-	1. Projector and	-
Activity	screen						screen	
Room	2. Audio system						2. Audio system	
	3. Wyte board						3. Wyte board	
	4. Cabinets						4. Wall mirror for	
	5. Wall mirror for						dancing	
	Dancing						5. Wireless	
							micro- phone	
							6. Clip	
							microphone	
Male/ Female	1. Lockers	1. Lockers	1. Lockers	1. Lockers	1. Lockers	1. Lockers	1. Lockers	1. Lockers
Dressing	2. Hot & cold	2. Hot & cold	2. Hot & cold	2. Hot & cold	2. Hot & cold water	2. Hot & cold	2. Hot & cold	2. Hot & cold
Room	water shower	water shower	water shower	water shower	shower facilities &	water shower	water shower	water shower
	facilities &	facilities &	facilities &	facilities &	toilets	facilities &	facilities &	facilities &
	toilets	toilets	toilets	toilets in		toilets	toilets	toilets
				another room				
Basket Ball Court	-	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-

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Outdoor	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Play Area								

CC/CH Facilities	Cheung Sha Wan Community Centre	Nam Cheong District Community Centre	Tai Hang Tung Community Centre	Lai Kok Community Hall	Lai Chi Kok Community Hall	Pak Tin Community Hall	Shek Kip Mei Community Hall	Mei Foo Community Hall
	(1) To be used in the hall:  (a) Plastic chair  290 nos.	(1) To be used in the hall:  (a) plastic chair  280 nos.	(1) To be used in the hall:  (a) Plastic chair 200 nos.	(1) To be used in the hall:  (a) Plastic chair 300 nos.	(1) To be used in the hall:  (a) plastic chair  365 nos.	(1) To be used in the hall:  (a) Plastic chair 400 nos.	(1) To be used in the hall:  (a) Plastic chair 250 nos.	(1) To be used in the hall:  (a) Plastic chair  450 nos.
Furniture: Stackable Chairs	(b) VIP chairs 260 nos.	(b) VIP chairs 160 nos.	(b) VIP chairs 100 nos.		(b) VIP chairs 10 nos.	(b) VIP chairs 100 nos.	(b) VIP chairs 260 nos.	(b) VIP chairs 20 nos.
	(2) Plastic chairs to be lent out: 50 nos.	(2) Plastic chairs to  be lent out:  200 nos.	(2) Plastic chairs to be lent out: 100 nos.	(2) Plastic chairs to be lent out: 60 nos.	(2) Plastic chairs to be lent out: 200 nos.	(2) Plastic chairs to be lent out:	(2) Plastic chairs to be lent out: 100 nos.	(2) Plastic chairs to  be lent out:  Not applicable
Folding Table Exhibition	20 nos.	25 nos. 20 nos.	20 nos. 20 nos.	8 nos.	15 nos. 20 nos.	10 nos.	20 nos.	15 nos.
board								

# Rates of Charges for Use of Hall and

# Other Facilities in Community Centres / Community Halls (CCs/ CHs) (With effect from 1 March 2025 until 28 February 2026)

(Rates of charges are calculated on an hourly basis. A partial hour will be charged as a full hour)

Facility	Rate (per hour)	<u>Remarks</u>	Air-conditioning charge (per hour)		Additional Charges for
					other facilities
Hall	\$105	Chairs are provided. Applicants have to provide public address system and his own technician to operate the lighting panel if necessary, and have to arrange for seating.	Cheung Sha Wan CC Nam Cheong District CC Tai Hang Tung CC Lai Kok CH Shek Kip Mei CH Pak Tin CH Lai Chi Kok CH Mei Foo CH	: \$160 : \$160 : \$135 : \$160 : \$135 : \$160 : \$160	Additional charge for using the lighting panel: \$21/ hour
Dressing Room (Male/ Female)	\$9 / room		\$8.5 / room		
Conference Room	\$51	Tables, Chairs and blackboard provided.	\$12		
Stage Meeting	\$53	Chairs provided.	\$13		
Room/ Activity					
Room/Multi-propose					
Activity Room					
Basketball Court	Daytime <sup>#</sup> : \$58 Evening <sup>#</sup> : \$72	Lighting provided in the evening.			
Outdoor Play Area	Daytime#: \$59 Evening#: \$61	Lighting provided in the evening.			
Badminton Court	Basic Charge*: \$78	Equipped with lighting facilities.	Same as air-conditioning charges of halls		

<sup>\*</sup> The basic charge of hiring badminton court is \$78 per hour, irrespective of the number of badminton courts in the hall and number of courts to be hired. Users who hire badminton courts only should not use the stage and related facilities in the hall.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>#</sup> Daytime refers to 9:00am - 6:00pm; Evening refers to 6:00pm- 10:00pm.

# **Appendix 3**

# Rates of Charges for Use of Hall and

# Other Facilities in Community Centres / Community Halls (CCs/ CHs) (with effect from 1 March 2026)(For applications received after 22 Decmeber 2025)

(Rates of charges are calculated on an hourly basis. A partial hour will be charged as a full hour)

<u>Facility</u>	Rate (per hour)	Remarks	Air-conditioning charge (per	r hour)	Additional Charges for
					other facilities
Hall	\$120	Chairs are provided. Applicants have to provide public address system and his own technician to operate the lighting panel if necessary, and have to arrange for seating.	Nam Cheong District CC : Tai Hang Tung CC : Lai Kok CH : Shek Kip Mei CH : Pak Tin CH : Lai Chi Kok CH :	: \$185 : \$185 : \$155 : \$185 : \$155 : \$185 : \$185 : \$185	Additional charge for using the lighting panel: \$24/ hour
Dressing Room (Male/ Female)	\$11 / room		\$10 / room		
Conference Room	\$56	Tables, Chairs and blackboard provided.	\$13		
Stage Meeting Room/ Activity Room/Multi-propose Activity Room	\$58	Chairs provided.	\$14		
Basketball Court	Daytime#: \$67 Evening# : \$83	Lighting provided in the evening.			
Outdoor Play Area	Daytime#: \$68 Evening# : \$70	Lighting provided in the evening.			
Badminton Court	Basic Charge *: \$90	Equipped with lighting facilities.	Same as air-conditioning chaof halls	arges	

<sup>\*</sup> The basic charge of hiring badminton court is \$90 per hour, irrespective of the number of badminton courts in the hall and number of courts to be hired. Users who hire badminton courts only should not use the stage and related facilities in the hall.

<sup>#</sup> Daytime refers to 9:00am - 6:00pm; Evening refers to 6:00pm.- 10:00pm.

# Exemption from Payment of Charges for Use of Facilities in Community Centres and Community Halls (CC/CH)

- (a) The facilities may be made available to Government departments free of charge.
- (b) Organizations belonging to one of the following groups may be completely exempted from charges for using the facilities for <u>non-profit making activities</u>:-
  - (i) subvented welfare agencies;
  - (ii) subvented educational institutions, subvented schools and non-profit making schools;
  - (iii) Offices of Legislative Councillors and District Councillors;
  - (iv) Charitable institutions or trust of a public character which are exempted from tax under section 88 of the Inland Revenue Ordinance (Cap.112);
  - (v) Non-profit making organizations which are:
    - registered under the Societies Ordinance (Cap.151); or
    - incorporated under the Companies Ordinance (Cap.32);

and their Constitution or Memorandum of Association specifically provides that members do not take any share of the profits or any share of the assets upon dissolution. (Please read the Notes on Exemption from Payment of Charges for Use of Facilities in Community Centres and Community Halls on the reverse side)

- (vi) local committees/organizations recognized by the Government, such as District Youth Programmes Committees, District Fight Crime Committees, Rural Committees, Kaifong Welfare Associations, Owner's Corporations, Owners' Committees, etc.
- (c) Candidates standing for election to the Legislative Council and the District Councils may be given total exemption if they apply for permission to use the facilities for electoral meetings during the period between close of nomination(s) and election day.

In deciding whether an application for exemption of charges should be entertained, due regard will be taken of whether the activities are non-profit making and contribute to community welfare and community building in the district, notwithstanding the applicant organization may itself be a bona

fide non-profit making body. activities which will generate a		granted in the case of

# Notes to Exemption from Payment of Charges for Use of Facilities in CC/CH

- 1. For non-profit making organizations under clause (b) (v) above (applicant organization), its Constitution or Memorandum of Association must specifically provides that members do not take any share of the profits or any share of the assets upon dissolution. Such applicant organizations must enclose their Constitution or Memorandum of Association when submitting their application forms in order to be eligible for exemption from payment of charges.
- 2. All non-profit making organizations under clause (b) (v) above must enclose their Constitution or Memorandum of Association when submitting their application forms in order to be eligible for exemption from payment of charges.

Shum Shui Po District Office

To:	District Office
10.	District Office

# **Exemption of Charges for Use of Facilities in Community Hall/Community Centre Statement of Account**

Secti	on A : Basic II	ıformation		
Name	of Community Hall/Co	ommunity Centre:		
Facili	ty Rented:	Nai	me of Activity:	
Appli	cant Organization:			
	organizer rganizer(if any):			
Date	of Activity:	Period of	Activity:	
Numb	per of Participants:			
Secti	on B : Balance	(up to	)	
(A)	Total Income (Details	at Section C)	\$	
(B)	Total expenditure (De	ails at Section D)	\$	
<b>(C)</b>	Balance [(B)-(A)]		\$	

# Section C: Details of Income

Items	Number/Quantity	Unit Rate(\$)	Total Amount(\$)
e.g.1 : Participants' fee			
e.g.2 : Sponsorship by Company X			
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
	•	Total:	

# **Section D**: Details of Expenditure

Items	Expenditure(\$)
1.	
2.	

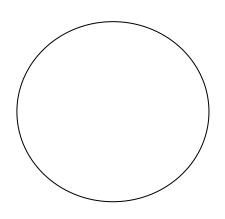
3.	
4.	
5.	
Total:	

# Section E Declaration by Authorized Person of Applicant Organization

- 1. I hereby declare that all the information given in the above sections are true and accurate. All incomes (including sponsorship and donation) have been fully listed in Section C.
- 2. Applicant organization and joint organizer(s) /co-organizer(s) (if any)

☐ have not made	any profit	from the	activity
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☐ have made profit from the activity and agree to pay the hiring charges to the Government.



Signature :

Name :

Person in-charge/ Authorized Person

Post

Name of

Organization:

Official Chop of Applicant Organization

Date :

### Remarks:

1. This statement of account is only applicable to fee-charging activity which has been exempted from payment of charges.

- 2. If the applicant organizing a fee-charging activity has been exempted from payment of charges, it must submit a post-activity statement of account within one month of completion of the activity. [If the applicant organization <u>fails</u> to submit a post-activity statement of account within one month of completion of the activity, it will attract **5 points** according to the Demerit Points System.]
- 3. The applicant organization needs not attach any receipts/supporting documents to the statement of account when it is first submitted. However, as this office will conduct random checks on statements of account of fee-charging activities which have been exempted from charges, the applicant organization must retain the receipts and supporting documents for the activity for two years. Production of such receipts and supporting documents for examination is required if the statement of account in respect of the activity is selected for random check. Such receipts and supporting documents must be signed, certified correct and affixed with official seal. If the applicant fails to provide the receipts/supporting documents to District Office for inspection upon request, it will be required to pay back the exempted charges.
- 4. The personal data provided in this form will be used for the verification of applications for exemption of payment. Such data may be disclosed to relevant parties for the same purpose. For correction of or access to personal data thus provided, please write to the Access to Information Officer of SSPDO. [Address: 4/F, Cheung Sha Wan Government Offices, 303 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Sham Shui Po.]

# Guidelines on application for eating inside

### The facilities of Community Hall/Centres

## How to apply

- (1) Applications for eating inside the facilities of Community Hall/Centres (hereinafter referred to as "facilities") when the proposed activity is held should be submitted along with the application for the use of the respective venues.
- Applicant should complete the attached form, specifying the nature of the proposed activities, the types of food to be consumed and arrangements for cleaning the place. Eating inside the facilities is not allowed unless prior approval from the SSPDO has been obtained.

# Conditions for approval

- (3) Approval will only be given to the applicant organization to enable it to provide food to its participants, but not to individual participants who bring food along to the facilities to eat. Such activities as drinking contests or eating contests will NOT be approved by the SSPDO.
- (4) Applications involving boiling water, cooking or reheating food with naked flames, means of fuel or other cooking appliances (such as electric ovens, electric kettle, microwave ovens) inside the facilities will NOT be approved by the SSPDO.
- (5) The SSPDO is the final arbiter over the types of food to be consumed.
- (6) The applicant should place the food inside proper containers to avoid dirtying the venue.
- (7) The applicant should specify the arrangements for cleaning the place, such as whether cleaning contractors or staff members are responsible for the cleaning work. Irrespective of how the place is to be cleaned, the applicant organization shall assume full responsibility for having the venue properly cleaned after use.
- (8) The applicant should, during the booking period, ensure that the venue is thoroughly cleaned and the rubbish is properly disposed of and removed from the CC/CH before handing the venue back to the SSPDO.

# Penalties on violators

(9) All of the above regulations should be observed by the applicant. If an applicant violates the above regulations or fails to clean the venue to the satisfaction of the

SSPDO, the SSPDO might consider withdrawing the approval already given to the applicant for the use of CC/CH and/or for eating on the venue at a later date/session. In the case of grave breaches, the SSPDO might consider rejecting any future applications for the use of the CC/CH and/or any future applications for eating on the venue from the organization.

# 在 ( Application for Eating inside (

## )社區中心/會堂的設施內進食申請表 )Community Centre/Hall

1.		機構 / 團體 : icant Organization		電話: Tel: 傳真號碼: Fax:
2.		請在設施內進食的活動簡介 ription of function applying for	ating inside the facilities:	
	(a)	活動舉行日期 Date of function	:	
	(b)	活動名稱 Name of function	:	
	(c)	活動性質/內容 Nature/Content of function	:	
	(d)	活動參加人數 No. of participants	:	
3.		及飲品的種類、包裝和數量 , package & quantity of food an	青盡量詳述) drinks (Please give as many det	ails as possible) :
4.		安排(請於合適處填上「✔」 nsing arrangement (Please tick 由申請機構的職員自行清淺 To be done by staff of applic 聘用清潔承辦商(承辦商名 Employ cleansing contractor	appropriate): t organization	)
		其他 (請註明): Other (Please specify):		
5.	保留	不批准以上申請的權利。 I understand and	ndertake to comply with the atta	/會堂的設施內進食的規定。 本人亦明白民政事務處uched regulations in respect of eating inside the facilities erves the right not to approve the above application.
		申請機構的正式印鑑	職位 Position 日期 Date	:

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# **Demerit Points System**

# (A) Structure

Items	Breaches of Regulations and Conditions	Seriousness of Breach	Demerit Points
1	Number of participants below the minimum requirement.	Minor	3
2	Late for 15 minutes or more.	Breaches	
3	Minor misconduct or breaches, such as causing nuisance, sprinkling of powder on the floor, failed to clean and restore the venue, hanging banner, putting up poster or slogans, eating at the venue without prior approval of DO.		
4	Cancellation of allocated timeslot with less than 14 working days' advance notice before the date of the activity. Note 1		
5	Failed to submit an application for approval for alteration of the nature of activity or addition/change of joint organizer(s) /co-organizer(s) 7 working days or more before the date of the activity.		
6	Failed to produce the approval letter for use of facilities in CH/CC.		
7	Failed to vacate the venue on time.		
8	Number of participants exceeds the maximum capacity of respective CH/CC.	Serious Breaches	5
9	Failed to provide post-activity statement of account within one month of completion of a fee-charging activity which has been exempted from charges, or failed to provide the receipts/supporting documents upon request.		
10	Failed to turn up.		
11	Altered the nature of activity or addition/change of eligible joint organizer(s)/co-organizer(s) without prior approval of DO.		
12	Permanent damage of the facilities, such as PA system, hardware that needs replacement. The organization is also subject to the charges for the replacement of equipment.	Very Serious Breaches	10 (or revoked immediately
13	Serious misconduct or breaches, such as smoking, cooking, lighting of fire, or using fireworks.		if applicable)
14	Transfer of the allocated timeslot to another organization.		
15	Holding of fee-charging activities against the original claim of non-fee charging		
16	Conducting auction, fund-raising, sales activity without prior approval of DO.		
17	Addition of ineligible joint organizer(s)/co-organizer(s).		

Note 1: Taking into consideration of the time required for processing application, the penalty applies equally to an applicant whose application is made less than 14 working days from the day of the activity.

## (B) Rules under the Demerit Points System

- 1. The Demerit Points System is district-based.
- 2. Under the Demerit Points System, an applicant organization or hirer will get demerit points for breaching regulations and conditions. Demerit points are given for each breach and counted individually, irrespective of whether the breach takes place in the same activity. Each breach will attract demerit points ranging from 3 points for a "Minor Breach", 5 points for a "Serious Breach" to 10 points for a "Very Serious Breach", having regard to the seriousness of the breach. For an application which includes a joint organizer / co-organizer, only the applicant organization or hirer will be served the demerit points for breaches of regulations and conditions.
- 3. Once an organization or hirer has accrued a total of 10 or more demerit points within 12 months, it will be banned from booking all CHs/CCs within the same District in the next two quarters. All the points that led to the ban will be cleared. Demerit points arising from new breaches of guidelines and regulations will be counted afresh. If the organization concerned has been allocated other sessions in the [present quarter and/or the next quarter]\*, it may continue to use the allocated sessions up to the quarter(s) concerned unless otherwise directed.
- 4. In the event that an organization commits two or more breaches in the same activity, the highest demerit points incurred in that activity will be counted first for the purpose of imposing a ban from booking of CH/CC facilities, as under paragraph 3 above. The remaining lower demerit points incurred from the other breaches committed in the same activity, which have not been counted for imposing the ban, will be carried forward.
- 5. An organization which is found to have breached the regulations and conditions will be issued with a standard warning letter stipulating the nature of breach, the demerit points served and the validity period. A summary of all breaches will also be listed in the letter. The consequences of accruing 10 points or more by the organization will also be stated in the letter.
- 6. The organization concerned may submit a written representation for the District Officer's consideration within two weeks from the issue date of the warning letter. The District Officer has the authority not to give any demerit points if he/she finds the representation justified.

# Community Halls/Community Centres (CHs/CCs) Inspection Form

Name of CH/CC: Ll multi-purpose hall Ll conference room Ll other ()								
Na	Name of organization holding the event:Joint organizer /Co-organizer (if any) : _							
	Name of event:							
Pe	riod hired: From hrs mins a.m.	/p.m. to	hrsmins	. a.m./p.m.				
	Item Routine Surprise Remarks							
		inspection	inspection					
1.	Name of event agrees with that in the	☐ Yes	☐ Yes					
	application?	□ No	□ No					
2.	Nature of event agrees with that in	☐ Yes	☐ Yes					
	the application? •	□ No	□ No					
3.	Organizer of the event agrees with	☐ Yes	☐ Yes					
	that in the application?	□ No	□ No					
4.	Joint organizer /Co-organizer of the	☐ Yes	☐ Yes					
	event agrees with that in the	□ No	□ No					
	application?							
5.	During the period, was there any	☐ Yes	☐ Yes					
	improper activity such as commercial	□ No	□ No					
	acts of sale or promotion?							
6.	No. of persons present			Time of inspection:				
	( persons stated in the			No. of persons recorded:				
	application form)		П	Time of inspection:				
		-		No. of persons recorded:				
				Time of inspection:				
				No. of persons recorded:				
7.	Duration of event			Time of signing the venue:				
				Time of returning the venue:				
8.	8. Others(if applicable)							
* F	Please tick the appropriate		Г					
Signature of person in charge of the event:				For use in Surprise Inspection				
Name of person in charge of the event:				Signature of supervisory staff:				
			Name of supervisory staff:					
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				Date of inspection:				
		*						

Signature of staff who made the inspection:	
Name of staff who made the inspection:	
Post of staff who made the inspection:	
Date of inspection:	

# **Examples of Calculating Demerit Points**

Assuming that advance booking is allowed, that applications for use of CH/CC facilities are processed on a quarterly basis and that timeslots are allocated through a ballot system, an applicant who wished to use a CH/CC facility in Q4 of 2011 was allowed to submit an application before the end of Q2 of 2011. Successful applicants would be notified in writing accordingly.

# Example A

No. of points	3	5	3
Date of breach	1.6.2010	10.1.2011	5.6.2011
Total demerit points accrued	3	8	8

As at 5.6.2011, only 8 points had been accrued within a period of 12 months because the 3 points incurred on 1.6.2010 had lapsed by 1.6.2011.

# Example B

No. of points	3	5	3
Date of breach	1.6.2010	10.1.2011	28.5.2011
Total demerit points accrued	3	8	11

As at 28.5.2011, 11 points had been accrued within a period of 12 months. A ban on bookings of CH/CC facilities in the next two quarters (i.e. Q4 of 2011 and Q1 of 2012) was imposed. All the 11 points arising from the 3 breaches were cleared. Assuming that the organization concerned had other successful bookings of CH/CC facilities in the remainder of Q2 and also Q3 of 2011, it may continue to use the allocated sessions up to Q3 of 2011 unless otherwise directed. Demerit points arising from new breaches of guidelines and regulations will be counted afresh after 28.5.2011.

## Example C

No. of points	3	5	3	10
Date of breach	1.6.2010	10.1.2011	28.5.2011	30.6.2011
Total demerit	3	8	11	10
points accrued				

Following Example B above, the organization committed a 10-point breach on 30.6.2011. Another ban on bookings in the two quarters following the two quarters under the first ban was imposed, i.e. the

organization will not be allowed to make venue booking applications for a total period of 12 months.

2. In the event that an organization commits two or more breaches in the same activity, the breach that incurred the highest demerit points will be counted first. The remaining lower demerit points incurred from the other breaches committed in the same activity will be carried forward. Details are illustrated below.

# Example D

No. of points	3	3	3	5
Titol of points			5	3
Date of breach	1.6.2010	10.1.2011	28.5.2011	3.4.2012
Total demerit	3	6	11+3	11
points accrued			(3 points carried	
			forward)	

On 28.5.2011, two separate breaches were found in the same activity. Since the highest demerit points incurred in this activity was 5, the 5-point breach was counted first while the 3-point breach would be carried forward. 11 points were then accrued when 5 points were added to the original 6 points accrued on 10.1.2011. A ban on bookings in the next two quarters (bookings for use of CH/CC facilities in Q4 of 2011 and Q1 of 2012) was imposed and the 11 points arising from the 3 breaches would be cancelled after the ban was imposed. The remaining 3 points from the remaining breach incurred in the same activity on 28.5.2011 would then be carried forward. On 3.4.2012, another two breaches were found. Since the addition of the 3 points brought forward from 28.5.2011 and the 8 points incurred on 3.4.2012 resulted in an accrual of 11 points within 12 months, both new breaches were counted, thus necessitating the issue of another ban.

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# **Application for Loan of Stores/Equipment District Office**

Part I (To be completed by applicant)

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l.	Name of Applicant	: (Chinese)	(English)	
2.	Address :			
3.	Telephone No.:	(Office hour)	(if appropriate)	
j.	Period of Loan :	(After Office hour)	6. Date of Collection	:
3.	Name of function to	o be held: (Chinese)	7. Date of Return:	
).	Place(s) of function	ı:		
0.	Details of the loane	d stores/equipment:		
	Item No.	Description	Quantity/Unit	Remarks

- 11. I/We fully understand that the above loan, if approved, will be subject to the following conditions:
  - (a) I/We will not use the loaned stores/equipment for profit-making activities;
  - (b) I/We will be responsible for the collection and return of the stores/equipment, including meeting any expenses incurred such as labour, materials handling and transportation;
  - (c) I/We will indemnify the Government against any loss of and damages to the loaned stores/equipment while in my/our possession;
  - (d) I/We will be liable for any injuries to persons or damages to private or Government properties arising from transmission and use of the loaned stores/equipment, whether directly or indirectly; and
  - (e) I/We will return the loaned stores/equipment at any time if required by the District Office.
  - (f) You have a right of access and correction with respect to personal data as provided for in sections 18 and 22 and principle 6 of Schedule 1 of the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance. Your right of access includes the right to obtain a copy of your personal data provided by this form.
  - (g) All items/equipment shall not exceed 6 months

12.	Name of organization (if applicable)			
		14.	Signature of applicant:	
13.	Official chop of organization	15.	Date :	
Note	1 · To be filled in by Issuing Officer if application is appro	wed		