

Village Representative Election (Resident Representative) Application for New Registration / Report on Change of Particulars by an Elector

IMPORTANT: Please read the attached guidance notes before completing this form in BLOCK LETTERS, in particular the requirement of providing address proof **[Note 8]**. You should provide clear and accurate information for voter registration. Unclear or inaccurate information may lead to unsuccessful voter registration or change of particulars. A person who makes any statement which the person knows to be false in a material particular or recklessly makes any statement which is incorrect in a material particular or knowingly omits any material particular commits an offence under the law.

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| 1. HONG KONG IDENTITY CARD NUMBER | Prefix | Number | Check Digit | 2. SEX | Male | Female |
| | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | (<input type="text"/>) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

3. MY INFORMATION AS SHOWN ON THE HONG KONG IDENTITY CARD

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| Name in Chinese | <input type="text"/> |
| Surname | <input type="text"/> |
| Other Names in Full | <input type="text"/> |
| Date of Birth (dd / mm / yyyy) | <input type="text"/> |

4. MY PRINCIPAL RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS [Notes 8 and 12]. Please complete in ENGLISH BLOCK LETTERS.

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|---|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Flat / Room | <input type="text"/> | Floor | <input type="text"/> | Block | <input type="text"/> | Name of Estate / Building | <input type="text"/> |
| House Number | <input type="text"/> | Name of Village | | | | | |
| Number and Name of Street / Lot Number and Demarcation District | | | | District | | | |
| Home Telephone Number | <input type="text"/> | Mobile Phone Number | <input type="text"/> | Fax Number | <input type="text"/> | | |
| Email Address | | | | | | | |

- If you agree to provide the above email address to the candidates of the Village concerned for the purpose of sending election mail related to electioneering activities, please put a "✓" in the box. The Home Affairs Department ("HAD") will inform the candidates concerned that you have chosen to receive election mail via email and encourage them to use email instead of postal delivery for sending such information to you. Please note that the candidates have the discretion of sending hard copies of election mail by post to electors (including those electors who have chosen to receive election mail via email). If you do not put a "✓" in the box, the relevant email address will only be used by the HAD for communication purpose.

5. LANGUAGE PREFERENCE FOR ELECTION-RELATED COMMUNICATIONS [Note 9]

Please indicate your preference by putting a "✓" in the appropriate box: Chinese English

6. DECLARATION

I declare that the particulars entered in this form and the proof of principal residential address provided (if applicable) are true and accurate, and that

- (a) The principal residential address entered above is my sole or main home; and
- (b) I have been a resident of (Village) of (Rural Committee) since Day Month Year (Date since then residing in the village) and for the 3 years immediately before this application and I am eligible to be registered as an elector for an Existing Village **[Notes 6 and 8]**; and
- (c) I am not disqualified from being registered as an elector **[Note 7]**.

Attention: Applicant should ensure that he/she has been a resident of the Existing Village for the 3 years immediately before the date of this application for registration. "Resident" in relation to an Existing Village, means a person whose principal residential address is in the Village. **[Notes 2 and 6(b)]**

My consent and authorisation is hereby given to the Electoral Registration Officer ("ERO"), in assessing my eligibility for registration as an elector, to compare and cross check my personal data given in this application form with my personal data collected by other organisations for other purposes so as to verify if such data are true and accurate. In case of false or misleading data, the ERO may take appropriate action against me (including referral of the case to other law enforcement agencies for follow up action) according to such data. I hereby expressly agree that the relevant government departments (including but not limited to the Registration and Electoral Office, the Housing Department, the Correctional Services Department and the Immigration Department) or any other public / private organisations (including but not limited to the Hong Kong Housing Society), can release my personal data to the ERO, so that the ERO can compare and cross check such data when processing this application and updating the voter registration and election-related records annually. **[Note 10]**

Date :
Day Month Year

Applicant's signature : _____ **[Note 11]**

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

(Only if there is no postal service available for your principal residential address or if you are a prisoner) [Note 12]

Empty box for correspondence address.

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Please ensure that you have completed the items below / attached the information below before submitting this application form:

- Fill in the Hong Kong Identity Card Number clearly
- Fill in your only or principal residential address in the field of "MY PRINCIPAL RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS"
- Sign this application form
- Attach the address proof required (if applicable: please refer to [Note 8])

Note: Please submit this application form to the HAD in the method set out in [Note 5].

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郵費由持牌人支付
POSTAGE WILL BE PAID BY LICENSEE

如在本港投寄
毋須貼上郵票
NO POSTAGE STAMP
NECESSARY IF POSTED IN HONG KONG

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香港灣仔
軒尼詩道一三〇號
修頓中心三十樓
民政事務總署
選舉登記主任收

BUSINESS REPLY SERVICE LICENCE NO.
商業回郵牌號: 7410

Electoral Registration Officer
Home Affairs Department
30/F, Southorn Centre
130 Hennessy Road
Wan Chai, Hong Kong

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SEAL WITH GLUE. DO NOT USE STAPLES.

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Village Representative Election (Resident Representative)
Application for New Registration / Report on Change of Particulars by an Elector
Guidance Notes

(Please keep this Guidance Notes for reference)

- (1) This application form is for new registration as an elector of Resident Representative Election for an Existing Village or a registered elector reporting change of particulars.
- (2) For inclusion in the final register of electors to be published in October every year, the statutory deadline for new registration application and report on change of particulars for the Resident Representative Election is **16 June of the same year**. In applying for new registration or report on change of principal residential address, the applicant should ensure that he / she has been a resident of the Existing Village for the 3 years immediately before the date of this application for registration **[Note 6(b)]**.
- (3) Registered electors may check their latest registration particulars by accessing the “Rural Representative Election Voter Registration Information Enquiry System” through the Rural Representative Election Website (www.had.gov.hk/rre), or calling the Rural Representative Election Hotline (2152 1521). Electors have the responsibility to update their registration particulars with the Home Affairs Department (“HAD”) as soon as possible if the registration particulars (e.g. principal residential address) have been changed.
- (4) Application forms which are received by Electoral Registration Officer (“ERO”) later than the deadline (i.e. 16 June of the current year) will be processed when the ERO compiles the register of electors for the following year.
- (5) Please submit the duly completed and signed application form to the HAD by one of the following methods:
 - (a) by post (Address: Home Affairs Department, 30/F, Southorn Centre, 130 Hennessy Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong (or to any District Offices of the HAD))(If this application form and the address proof (if applicable) are to be returned by post and the supporting documents attached are too large to fit into this self-mailer, please mail this application form together with all the supporting documents in an envelope of adequate size and with sufficient postage); or
 - (b) by fax (Number: 2591 6392); or
 - (c) in person or by a representative to the HAD Headquarters or the Home Affairs Enquiry Centres of any District Offices under the HAD; or
 - (d) by email (Email address: rre@had.gov.hk)(**Any application form uploaded to the Cloud storage with the link provided in an email will not be accepted.**) ; or
 - (e) by uploading the electronic form to the e-Submission Platform (Website: www.had.gov.hk/rre).
- (6) Generally, you are eligible to be registered as an elector for an Existing Village if:
 - (a) you are a resident of that Village; and
 - (b) you have been a resident of that Village for the 3 years immediately before the date of application for registration as an elector (“resident” in relation to an Existing Village, means a person whose principal residential address is in the Village and “**principal residential address**” means the address of the dwelling place at which the person resides and which constitutes the person’s sole or main home). In the case of a prisoner, for the purpose of this residence requirement, a term of imprisonment does not normally break the period of residence provided the person has resided in that Village immediately before serving the sentence and has been maintaining his principal residential address in that Village throughout the period of imprisonment; and
 - (c) you have reached 18 years of age or will reach 18 years of age on or before 20 October next following your application for registration; and
 - (d) you are a permanent resident of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region as defined by section 2 of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Passports Ordinance (Cap. 539); and
 - (e) you hold a valid identity document, e.g. a Hong Kong permanent identity card; and
 - (f) you are not disqualified from being registered as an elector **[Note 7]**.

For enquiries on Hong Kong permanent resident status, please call the Immigration Department’s hotline: 2824 6111 or write to the Immigration Department (Address: Immigration Tower, 7 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong).

- (7) Generally, persons who are disqualified from registration as an elector include persons who:
 - (a) are found under the Mental Health Ordinance (Cap. 136) to be incapable, by reason of mental incapacity, of managing and administering their properties and affairs; or
 - (b) are members of the armed forces of the People’s Republic of China or any other country or territory.

(8) **Address Proof**

- (a) When making the following application, relevant documentary proof of principal residential address **must** be submitted together with this application form:
- (i) for application for new registration as an elector for the Resident Representative Election, documentary proof of the address confirming that the applicant has been a resident of that Existing Village for the 3 years immediately before the date of this application for registration;
 - (ii) for application for change of registered principal residential address by a registered elector for the Resident Representative Election:
 1. if the new principal residential address is still within the boundary of the registered Existing Village, documentary proof of address issued within the last 3 months or any other period as specified by the HAD; or
 2. if the applicant has moved to another Existing Village, documentary proof of address confirming that he / she has been a resident of that Existing Village for the 3 years immediately before the date of this application for registration.
- (b) The ERO will allocate you to the Existing Village to which you belong to according to your principal residential address which constitutes your sole or main home.
- (c) Please notify the ERO immediately by completing this application form and attaching the relevant documentary proof of address required for any subsequent change of your principal residential address (regardless of whether the principal residential address is still in the Existing Village as registered).
- (d) The HAD accepts the documents below which bear the issuing date and the name of issuing organisation as a valid proof of address:
- (i) One of the following documents bearing the applicant's name and principal residential address (name and address on the document should be identical to those on the applicant's Hong Kong Identity Card and this application form respectively) –
 1. bills or invoices issued by public bodies (e.g. utility bills for water / electricity / towngas services);
 2. correspondences from government departments or the Judiciary;
 3. statements or correspondences issued by banks, insurance companies or Mandatory Provident Fund Approved Trustees;
 4. bills of landline telephone / mobile phone / paid television / internet services;
 5. documents or bills issued by local post-secondary institutions confirming the applicant's principal residential address;
 6. valid and "stamped" by the Inland Revenue Department (for stamp duty) tenancy agreement (the tenancy period should cover the date of receipt of this application); or
 7. bills, correspondences or other documents issued by public organisations, such as the Hospital Authority, the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority etc.; or
 - (ii) Address proof bearing the name and residential address of the person residing with the applicant, and a declaration signed by the applicant to confirm that such other person is living with the applicant at the same address and that the attached address proof is a complete original or true copy of the original. Sample of the relevant declaration can be downloaded from the Rural Representative Election Website (https://www.had.gov.hk/rre/images/forms/Self_Declaration_by_Electors_RRE.pdf); or
 - (iii) If the applicant is not able to produce any documents listed above as documentary proof of address, the HAD will also accept a statutory declaration provided by the applicant made before a Commissioner for Oaths / a practising solicitor / a Justice of the Peace by virtue of the Oaths and Declarations Ordinance (Cap. 11) to substantiate the claim of residing at the declared address. Free service for members of the public who need to make sworn declarations is available at the District Offices. Sample of the relevant statutory declaration can be downloaded from the Rural Representative Election Website (https://www.had.gov.hk/rre/images/forms/Statutory_Declaration_RRE.pdf).
- (e) The HAD accepts the original copy, photocopy or fax copy of the abovementioned documents as valid proof of address.
- (f) In compiling a provisional register for an Existing Village, the ERO shall strike out the names and other relevant particulars of the persons whom the ERO is satisfied on reasonable grounds as being no longer eligible to have their names included in the final register for the Village. Such names and other relevant particulars of those persons will be entered on an omissions list.
- (g) **If a registered elector of the Resident Representative Election no longer resides in the Village for which he / she is registered, or his / her residential address in the Village is no longer his / her sole or main home, he / she is no longer eligible to remain registered as an elector. Even though his / her name is still on the Final Register, the person concerned will commit an offence if he / she votes at the election knowing that he / she is not entitled to do so. Voting right in an election is restricted to eligible electors having continued residence within the same registered Village. If the person concerned has moved to another Existing Village, he / she has to meet the 3-year residence requirement and apply for change of principal residential address and should submit address proof to confirm that he / she has been a resident of that Existing Village for the 3 years immediately before the date of this application for registration. As the qualifications for registration as an elector and the voting right for the Existing Villages (Resident Representative**

elections) and Indigenous Villages / Composite Indigenous Villages (Indigenous Inhabitant Representative elections) are different, even if the registered elector of an Existing Village is an indigenous inhabitant or a spouse / surviving spouse of an indigenous inhabitant, he / she should also comply with the residence requirement upon change of principal residential address.

- (9) Normally, communications issued to electors by the HAD are in both Chinese and English. This language preference is to facilitate candidates' communications with you during the election period in the language of your choice. If you do not complete this part, the HAD will assume that your preferred language is Chinese.
- (10) In assessing your eligibility for registration as an elector, the ERO will compare and cross check your personal data given in this application form with your personal data collected by other organisations for other purposes so as to verify if those data are true and accurate, if they are false or misleading, the ERO may take appropriate action against you (including referral of the case to other law enforcement agencies for follow up action) based upon those data. Upon signing this application form, you expressly consent and authorise the ERO to approach other government department(s) or public / private organisation(s) for proof of data collected and verifying the data, and you expressly agree that the relevant government departments (including but not limited to the Registration and Electoral Office, the Housing Department, the Correctional Services Department and the Immigration Department) or any other public / private organisation(s) (including but not limited to the Hong Kong Housing Society), can release your personal data to the ERO, so that the ERO can compare and cross check such data when processing this application and updating the voter registration and election-related records annually.
- (11) This application form must be signed by the applicant; otherwise, the ERO will not process your application.
- (12) (a) Please provide a correspondence address only if there is no postal service available for your principal residential address or if you are a prisoner. Please do not fill in this part if you do not meet either of the above two criteria.
- (b) If you are a prisoner, you may choose to provide the address of the correctional institution where you are imprisoned or other address as your correspondence address. If you choose to use the address of a correctional institution as your correspondence address, please provide the prisoner number for easy delivery of the election-related materials within / among the correctional institutions.
- (c) **Please note that your principal residential address and correspondence address (if provided) will be provided to candidates of the Village concerned for the purpose of sending election advertisements.**
- (13) In addition to sending registration notices to the applicants by post after completion of processing their applications for new registration / change(s) of registration particulars, the HAD will notify the applicants by short message service (if provided by the applicants) at the same time. Applicants for new registration may also access the "Rural Representative Election Voter Registration Information Enquiry System" through the Rural Representative Election Website (www.had.gov.hk/rre) to check their latest application status.
- (14) These notes are for general guidance only. Applicants should also refer to the Rural Representative Election Ordinance (Cap. 576), the Electoral Affairs Commission Ordinance (Cap. 541) and the Elections (Corrupt and Illegal Conduct) Ordinance (Cap. 554), and the subsidiary legislation made under these Ordinances.
- (15) For any enquiries on voter registration, please call 2152 1521 or write to the HAD (Address: 30/F, Southorn Centre, 130 Hennessy Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong).

Personal Information Collection Statement

Purpose of Collection

The personal data and other related information and address proof (if applicable) provided by you by means of this form (REF-2) will be used by the HAD for voter registration and election-related purposes. The provision of personal data and other related information by means of this form is voluntary. However, if you do not provide adequate and accurate data, the HAD may not be able to process your application. If the ERO has approved your application, your name and principal residential address provided in this form will be compiled in a register and made available for inspection by specified persons.

If necessary, the ERO may require a public authority (including but not limited to the Registration and Electoral Office, the Correctional Services Department, the Immigration Department, the Housing Department and the Hong Kong Housing Society etc.) to furnish your personal data for data matching when preparing a register.

Any person who uses the personal data provided in this form without the express consent of the data subject for any purpose other than the purposes stated above may contravene the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap. 486).

Transfer of Information

Where necessary, the information provided by you may also be provided to other authorised departments / organisations / persons for the purposes of voter registration, election and all purposes related thereto in accordance with the relevant Ordinances and / or subsidiary legislation.

Access to Personal Data and Enquiry

You have a right to request access to, and to request the correction of, the personal data and other related information you supplied in accordance with the provisions of the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap. 486). Such personal data requests and enquiries should be made in writing to the ERO (Address: 30/F, Southorn Centre, 130 Hennessy Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong).