

## 11 incorporated owners fined a total of \$32,700 for failing to conduct annual inspections of fire service installations or equipment on their premises

The Fire Services Department (FSD) has been mounting territory-wide special enforcement actions in phases at domestic and composite buildings since July. As of end-October, the FSD inspected 122 such buildings in Kwun Tong District and issued 31 warning letters to relevant incorporated owners, reminding them to submit valid fire service installations and equipment certificates before the specified deadline.

Eleven incorporated owners of these buildings in Kwun Tong District (listed in the Annex) were prosecuted by the FSD for failing to conduct annual inspections of fire service installations or equipment on their premises. They were convicted and fined a total of \$32,700 at the Kwun Tong Magistrates' Courts today (November 15).

According to the Fire Service (Installations and Equipment) Regulations, any person who owns any fire service installation or equipment installed in any premises commits an offence if they fail to have such fire service installation or equipment inspected by a registered contractor at least once in every 12 months. Upon conviction, the maximum penalty is a fine of \$50,000.

The FSD will continue to conduct territory-wide special enforcement actions in various districts and remind owners of fire service installations or equipment in the premises to have such fire service installations or equipment inspected by a registered contractor at least once in every 12 months.