

# Election Committee final register to be released on October 22

The final register of the new term of the Election Committee, which contains the names and registration particulars of the members of the fifth term of the Election Committee, will be released on October 22.

To implement Annexes I and II to the Basic Law, the Improving Electoral System (Consolidated Amendments) Ordinance 2021 was published in the Gazette and came into effect on May 31. Among others, it stipulates that the Election Committee shall be composed of ex-officio members, members returned by nomination and members returned by election with the following five sectors: (a) industrial, commercial and financial sectors; (b) the professions; (c) grassroots, labour, religious and other sectors; (d) members of the Legislative Council, representatives of district organisations and other organisations; and (e) Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) deputies to the National People's Congress, HKSAR members of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference and representatives of Hong Kong members of relevant national organisations. The term of office of the new Election Committee will be five years, commencing on October 22, 2021, and ending on October 21, 2026.

According to Annex I to the Basic Law, the functions of the Election Committee include nominating candidates for the Chief Executive Election and electing the Chief Executive, as well as nominating all candidates for becoming Legislative Council members and electing the 40 members of the Election Committee constituency in the Legislative Council Election.

"The nomination period for the Legislative Council General Election will start on October 30. The Election Committee members can subscribe to the nomination form of the candidates running for the Legislative Council General Election in accordance with the legislation upon the commencement date of the new term of the Election Committee," a spokesman for the Registration and Electoral Office (REO) said today (October 20).

An Election Committee member who wishes to peruse his/her own registration particulars on the final register may, from October 22 onwards, log on to the Online Voter Information Enquiry System at [www.voterinfo.gov.hk](http://www.voterinfo.gov.hk) or call the REO's enquiry hotline at 2891 1001.

The final register of the Election Committee will be made available for inspection by specified persons from October 22 (Friday) onwards at the two offices of the REO. The addresses of the two offices are 10/F, Harbour Centre, 25 Harbour Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, and 13/F, Kowloonbay International Trade & Exhibition Centre, 1 Trademart Drive, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon. According to the judgment handed down by the Court of Appeal on May 21, 2020, and the order made at the hearing on May 27, 2020 (Case No.: CACV 73/2020), the final register is made available for inspection from 9am to 6pm

from October 22 onwards (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays) at the aforesaid two offices by validly nominated candidates of relevant elections, members of the press (the REO adopts the list of subscribers of the Government News and Media Information System) and political parties (i.e. political bodies/organisations which meet the specified requirements).

The spokesman said that four inspection time slots (one hour and 30 minutes for each time slot) will be provided on each working day (Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays). Eligible organisations may make appointments for inspection on a first-come, first-served basis. Each eligible organisation may reserve one time slot per day.

Applicants may make appointments to inspect the register by calling 2891 4082/2891 2070 during the REO's ordinary business hours (from 9am to 12.30pm and from 1.30pm to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except public holidays) starting from tomorrow (October 21). Upon the completion of the initial reservation by phone, applicants are required to fill in a reservation form and return it to the REO by a specified deadline to confirm the reservation.

The REO will publish in the Gazette a notice on the inspection of the final register of the Election Committee on October 22.