

Rates and Government rent due January 28

Demands for rates and/or Government rent for the quarter from January to March 2025 have been issued, and payment should be made by January 28, 2025.

Payment can be made:

- (1) by using autopay, the Faster Payment System (FPS), PPS, Internet banking or bank automated teller machines (ATMs);
- (2) by uploading an e-Cheque/e-Cashier Order via the Pay e-Cheque portal: www.payechecque.gov.hk;
- (3) by sending a crossed cheque to the Treasury, PO Box No. 28000, Sham Shui Po Post Office, Kowloon (mail with insufficient postage will be rejected); or
- (4) in person at any post office or designated convenience store in Hong Kong (i.e. 7-Eleven, Circle K, VanGo or U select). For the addresses and opening hours of post offices, please call Hongkong Post enquiry hotline on 2921 2222 or visit its website: www.hongkongpost.hk.

If payers have not received the demands, they may obtain replacement demands or enquire as to the amount payable by (i) visiting the Rating and Valuation Department (RVD) website: www.rvd.gov.hk; (ii) calling 2152 0111; (iii) faxing 2152 0113; or (iv) visiting the RVD, 15/F, Cheung Sha Wan Government Offices, 303 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon.

The progressive rating system for domestic tenements has taken effect on January 1, 2025. The amount of progressive rates payable for this quarter is shown on the demand for applicable cases. Details of the progressive rating system are available on the RVD website.

There will be no rates concession for this quarter. The total amount due is shown on the demand. Non-receipt or late receipt of demand does not alter the requirement that the total amount due must be paid by January 28, 2025. A surcharge of 5 per cent will be imposed for late payment. A further surcharge of 10 per cent will be levied on the amount (including the 5 per cent surcharge) which remains unpaid six months after the last day for payment.

For payment by autopay, the rates and/or Government rent will be debited from payers' bank accounts on January 28, 2025. Payers should ensure that there are sufficient funds in their bank accounts to meet the payments on that date until settlement.

To support environmental protection, payers are advised to utilise the RVD's free eRVD Bill service to receive e-bills and make payments. Payers are also encouraged to settle bills by autopay or other means of e-payment (e.g. FPS, PPS, Internet banking, ATMs or e-Cheque/e-Cashier Order) to save queuing time. Application forms for autopay can be obtained by downloading from the

RVD website, visiting the RVD, District Offices and banks or by calling 2152 0111.