

Stalls for Fong Ma Po New Year Fair at Lam Tsuen in Tai Po to be auctioned on November 29

The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) announced today (November 15) that a public auction for stalls at the 2019 New Year Fair at Fong Ma Po, Lam Tsuen, Tai Po, will be held on November 29 (Thursday).

A spokesman for the FEHD said the annual fair will be held for 15 days from February 5 to 19, 2019. The opening prices for the 22 dry goods stalls and six wet goods stalls are \$1,300 and \$1,290 respectively.

The auction will begin at 9.30am at the Assembly Hall, 1/F, Tai Po Community Centre, 2 Heung Sze Wui Street, Tai Po. Dry goods stalls will be auctioned first, followed by wet goods stalls.

Bidders must be at least 18 years old and ordinarily resident in Hong Kong.

Anyone can bid for more than one stall. A bidder must pay the bid price and register in his or her own name as the licensee of the stall immediately after successfully bidding for a stall. The bidder is also required to sign at once a licence agreement with the FEHD, or will forfeit the rights to operate the stall.

The spokesman said that successful bidders should comply with all the stipulations and provisions as set out in the licence agreement. Otherwise, the department is entitled to terminate the agreement and the licensee shall immediately vacate the stall.

For the conservation of the Wish-Making Trees, stall operators will not be allowed to sell placards tied to any heavy object (including fruit). The licence agreements of those who fail to comply with the requirement will be terminated.

The fair site will be made available three days in advance for the setting up of stalls from February 2 to 4, 2019. However, no business shall be conducted on these three days.

Stall licensees should not destroy, damage or abandon any unsold commodities at and in the vicinity of the stall. They shall completely remove the stall structure and all paraphernalia, together with all refuse, debris and unsold commodities (whether damaged or otherwise), from the licensed area before 6pm on February 19, 2019.

For more information about the auction, please call the FEHD's Tai Po District Environmental Hygiene Office at 3183 9162 or 2657 1137. Details are

also available on the FEHD website at www.fehd.gov.hk.