

Application for JoyYou Card starts

The Government today (August 2) announced that eligible persons born in 1957 should apply for the JoyYou Card, a Personalised Octopus Card tailor-made for the Government Public Transport Fare Concession Scheme for the Elderly and Eligible Persons with Disabilities (\$2 Scheme) from today to August 31, 2021, via the Octopus App mobile application or by posting the application forms.

As released earlier, the Government will launch enhancement and anti-abuse measures of the \$2 Scheme on February 27, 2022, including lowering the eligible age from 65 to 60, benefitting more than 600 000 persons aged 60 to 64. To enjoy the \$2 concessionary fare, they must apply for the JoyYou Card according to their year of birth in phases from today.

The JoyYou Card will carry a personal photo and the name of the eligible beneficiary for identification. Each eligible person will be issued with one card only. The JoyYou Cards issued prior to the effective day can only be used as normal Adult Octopus Cards. Therefore, eligible persons aged 60 to 64 should follow the timetable below to submit their applications, and do not need to rush:

Application period	Applicants' year of birth (Hong Kong identity card holder)
August 2 to 31, 2021	1957
September 1 to 30, 2021	1958
October 1 to 31, 2021	1959
November 1 to 30, 2021	1960
December 1 to 31, 2021	1961
From January 1, 2022 onwards	Persons reaching the age of 60 in three months

Eligible persons aged 60 to 64 may submit their applications via the Octopus App mobile application or by posting the application forms. The mobile application, application form (without postage-free return envelope) and the distribution points for paper application forms (with postage-free return envelope) can be found in the JoyYou Card webpage (www.octopus.com.hk/joyyou/en). The webpage also features videos illustrating the detailed steps to apply for the JoyYou Card.

The JoyYou Card will be sent to the applicant's Hong Kong postal address within four weeks upon receipt of the completed application. The Government will subsidise the \$20 application fee for the first application of eligible persons, and applicants do not need to pay any application fee to the Octopus Cards Limited.

For enquiries on the JoyYou Card, please visit its webpage or call the service hotline (2266 2222).