

Chief Executive Election polling notices delivered to Election Committee members

â€Polling notices and other electoral documents on the arrangements for the 2022 Chief Executive (CE) Election to be held on May 8, as well as information about the "suggested timeslot" to vote which they belong to, have been delivered to all Election Committee (EC) members.

"Items posted with the polling notice include a name badge of the EC member, the Introduction to the Candidate, a location map of the main polling station, a note on the polling and counting procedures, voting instructions and a transportation map to the main polling station. If any EC member has not yet received the polling notice and related electoral documents, he/she can call the election hotline on 2891 1001," a spokesman for the Registration and Electoral Office (REO) said today (April 29).

The main polling station for the election will be set up on 1/F, Phase 2, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (HKCEC), Wan Chai. The polling hours will be from 9am to 11.30am.

"Given the epidemic situation and to reduce the flow of people at the main polling station, the REO has assigned a 'suggested timeslot' to vote in the main polling station for each EC member according to the EC sectors to which they belong. We call on the EC members to arrive at the main polling station to vote according to their 'suggested timeslots'," the spokesman said.

"EC members going to vote in the main polling station should bring the original of their Hong Kong permanent identity card or other specified alternative documents. Staff will make use of the Electronic Poll Register system for issuing ballot papers. EC members should also bring their name badge for access into the HKCEC.

"At present, there is no electoral law requiring electors to use the 'LeaveHomeSafe' mobile application and comply with the Vaccine Pass requirements before entering polling stations, but we encourage the EC members to use the 'LeaveHomeSafe' app and comply with the Vaccine Pass requirements when entering the main polling station. The REO will post the 'LeaveHomeSafe' QR code of the main polling station at the passage leading to the main polling station in the HKCEC. However, whether the EC members use the 'LeaveHomeSafe' app and comply with the Vaccine Pass requirements or not will not affect their voting rights," the spokesman added.

"EC members who arrive at the main polling station after 11.30am will not be admitted to the main polling station. In view of the expected busy traffic on the polling day in the vicinity of the HKCEC, in case many vehicles arrive at the venue at the same time, they need to wait to be

admitted to the venue. Therefore, EC members going to the HKCEC by car or taxi should reserve sufficient time. In addition, due to limited parking space at the venue, we encourage EC members to go to the main polling station by public transport," the spokesman reminded.

The counting of votes will be held in the central counting station cum media centre on 3/F, Phase 2, HKCEC, shortly after the close of the poll. After casting their votes, the REO encourages EC members to stay to observe the counting of votes at the central counting station cum media centre.

There is only one validly nominated candidate in the election. Each EC member may cast either a "support" vote or a "not support" vote. The candidate shall be returned at the election if the number of valid "support" votes obtained by him exceeds 750.

Information about the CE Election is available on the election website (www.elections.gov.hk). For enquiries, please call the election hotline on 2891 1001.