

FEHD reminds premises operators to update "QR Code Verification Scanner" app

A spokesman for the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) said today (July 13) that in view of the "eHealth" mobile app now being able to display the QR code of a COVID-19 vaccination record, the FEHD has also updated the "QR Code Verification Scanner" app accordingly to enable users to read QR codes shown on the "eHealth" app.

The spokesman said, "In order to read the QR code of a COVID-19 vaccination record shown on the 'eHealth' mobile app, premises operators are required to update the 'QR Code Verification Scanner' app (version 3.8.1 for Android mobile devices and version 3.9 for iOS mobile devices). The FEHD has also updated the related information on the FEHD's 'vaccine bubble' thematic webpage (www.fehd.gov.hk/english/events/covid19/vaccine_bubble_FP.html)."

Under the current specification and directions under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F), premises operators must use the "QR Code Verification Scanner" mobile application provided by the Government to scan the customers' QR codes of their local COVID-19 vaccination records. The Government does not accept other means of checking the local vaccination records, such as using other scanners or visual inspection. Customers who received COVID-19 vaccines in places outside Hong Kong must make a declaration to the relevant premises operator using the specified form.

To minimise the risk of COVID-19 transmission, the spokesman appealed to operators and members of the public to stay vigilant, to continue to comply with the relevant regulations on prevention and control of disease in a concerted and persistent manner, and to maintain personal and environmental hygiene continuously with a view to ensuring cleanliness of the premises and food safety.