## FEHD steps up publicity and educational work on amended Fixed Penalty Ordinance (with photos)

A spokesman for the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) said today (October 20) that with the amended Fixed Penalty (Public Cleanliness and Obstruction) Ordinance (Cap. 570) (Fixed Penalty Ordinance) coming into effect on Sunday (October 22), the department has stepped up publicity and educational work to remind public of the new fixed penalty levels. Members of the public are urged to observe the law and to maintain a hygienic environment through concerted efforts.

Upon commencement of the amended Fixed Penalty Ordinance, the level of fixed penalty for depositing of litter or waste, spitting, displaying bills or posters without permission in public places, and fouling of street by dog faeces will be raised to \$3,000, while the fixed penalty level for shopfront extension and illegal disposal of construction waste or a large amount of other wastes will be raised to \$6,000.

The Government has been reminding public of the new fixed penalty levels and the commencement date through various channels including Announcements in the Public Interest on TV and radio, as well as advertisements on public transport, etc. The FEHD has further disseminated the relevant messages to members of the public through social media content, displaying banners and posters and distributing promotional leaflets in collaboration with members of the local community. Staff of the FEHD has recently carried out publicity and educational work in various districts. Promotional leaflets were distributed to foreign domestic helpers, retail shops and other members of the public, appealing to them to abide by the law and to support to the Government's work for achieving continuous improvement in environmental hygiene and cityscape.

The spokesman said the FEHD has formulated enforcement guidelines, which will be regularly updated and enhanced. Furthermore, in order to assist frontline staff in carrying out their duties, the department has also enhanced the training and equipment for frontline staff.











