# Government will update COVID-19 vaccination records to meet international travel rules

The Government announced today (September 19) that the Food and Health Bureau is in the process of updating Hong Kong's COVID-19 vaccination records with a view to meeting international travel rules, including the latest requirements on vaccination records by the Government of the United Kingdom (UK).

The Government of the UK announced that, starting from 4am on October 4 (UK time), the rules for international travel to England will change from the red, amber, green three-tier traffic light system to a single red list. Except for those who have residence rights in the UK, people arriving in England who have been to places on the red list in the past 10 days will be denied entry.

Hong Kong is currently on the green list. Under the revised system, people arriving in England from Hong Kong are required to have completed a vaccination course of a specified COVID-19 vaccine by the relevant health authorities in an approved place at least 14 days prior to arrival, so as to be exempted from quarantine. They also need to get tested on the second day of arrival. Under this newly revised system, the date of birth of the person vaccinated should be shown on the relevant vaccination record. For persons who have not completed vaccination, they will need to undergo self-quarantine for 10 days and get tested on the second and 8th days of arrival.

"The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government has been made aware of the changes in travel rules to England by the UK Government, including the requirement of showing the date of birth on the vaccination records regarding authorised COVID-19 vaccines. The Food and Health Bureau is working out the necessary arrangements to add the information of date of birth to the vaccination records in order to comply with the latest requirements of the UK Government. We will announce the details once the relevant arrangement is in place," a Government spokesman said.