

“Return2hk – Travel Scheme for Hong Kong Residents returning from Guangdong Province or Macao without being subject to quarantine under the Compulsory Quarantine of Certain Persons Arriving at Hong Kong Regulation (Cap. 599C)” to open for application tomorrow

"Return2hk – Travel Scheme for Hong Kong Residents returning from Guangdong Province or Macao without being subject to quarantine under the Compulsory Quarantine of Certain Persons Arriving at Hong Kong Regulation (Cap. 599C)" (Return2hk Scheme) will be open for application from tomorrow (November 18). Hong Kong residents who are currently in Guangdong Province or Macao will be exempted from the 14-day compulsory quarantine requirement when they return to Hong Kong under the Return2hk Scheme upon fulfilment of all the conditions specified under sections 12 and 12A of the Regulation.

Quota applications

The first batch of quotas under the Return2hk Scheme will be open for application from 9am tomorrow until 6pm on November 20 (Friday) for bookings to return to Hong Kong between November 23 (Monday) and November 29 (Sunday). Hong Kong residents who wish to return to Hong Kong under the Return2hk Scheme should apply under a quota using the online booking system (www.quotabooking.gov.hk). A daily quota of 3 000 has been set for Shenzhen Bay Port, while that for the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB) Hong Kong Port is 2 000.

Quota allocation will be administered on a first-come, first-served basis. The online booking system will be open each Wednesday at 9am and run until 6pm on Friday to accept quota applications for the seven-day period of the following week (i.e. Monday to Sunday).

Eligibility

Any Hong Kong resident aged 18 or above who is currently in Guangdong Province or Macao may apply under a quota through the Return2hk Scheme booking system during the above-mentioned opening hours of the system. When making an application, the applicant is required to provide his/her Hong Kong identity card number, and to specify the date and the boundary control point (i.e. Shenzhen Bay Port or the HZMB Hong Kong Port) to be used for the

return. In the same application, he/she may also apply under the quota for three accompanying Hong Kong residents at most. Applications for Hong Kong residents who are under 18 should be made on their behalf by their parents or guardians, and the number of their Hong Kong identity card or other personal identity document(s) (e.g. Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) passport, HKSAR re-entry permit, birth certificate or other passports) should be provided.

A Government spokesman stressed that Hong Kong residents who can fulfil all the specified conditions and are returning to Hong Kong under the Return2hk Scheme should still exercise self-monitoring of their health conditions for at least 14 days after their entry into Hong Kong. They should observe the points listed in the "Health-monitoring Checklist for Inbound Travellers". If they feel unwell, they should seek medical advice promptly and reveal their travel history to medical practitioners.

Details about the Return2hk Scheme, including those relating to nucleic acid testing, documents to be provided, health code conversion and more, are available at the "COVID-19 Thematic Website" (return2hk.gov.hk or www.gov.hk). Members of the public may also call the hotline of the Return2hk Scheme at 3142 2330 if they have any enquiries.