

**L.N. 226 of 2005****CENSUS AND STATISTICS (2006 POPULATION CENSUS) ORDER**

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 9  
of the Census and Statistics Ordinance (Cap. 316))

**1. Census to be taken**

(1) The Commissioner shall take a census of population (referred to in this Order as “the census”) from 15 July to 1 August 2006 (both dates inclusive) to obtain particulars of—

- (a) persons dwelling in Hong Kong other than—
  - (i) naval, military or air force personnel; and
  - (ii) subject to paragraph (b), persons dwelling on board any vessel;
- (b) persons dwelling on board any vessel in Hong Kong other than—
  - (i) any vessel for the time being used by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region;
  - (ii) any warship; or
  - (iii) any ship for the time being used by the Central People’s Government or the Government of any foreign state;
- (c) premises in Hong Kong which are not a vessel and are occupied by any person for dwelling purposes, and households in any such premises; and
- (d) vessels on board of which persons dwelling are subject to census under paragraph (b), and households on board any such vessel.

(2) In this section—

“premises” (處所) includes any staircase, corridor and any unsheltered place;  
“vessel” (船隻) means any ship, boat or other description of vessel, whether or not it is used in navigation or constructed or adapted for use in navigation.

**2. Purpose of census**

The purpose of the census is to obtain information on the demographic, social and economic characteristics of the population of Hong Kong at the time of the taking of the census.

**3. Sampling methods may be used**

The Commissioner may use sampling methods for the collection of information relevant to the census.

#### **4. Occupants to give particulars of matters specified in the Schedule**

Each person aged 15 or above occupying any premises subject to census under section 1(1)(c) or dwelling on board any vessel subject to census under section 1(1)(d) shall, for the purpose of the census, give to the Commissioner particulars of the matters specified in the Schedule in respect of—

- (a) himself, the premises or the vessel and the household in such premises or on board such vessel; and
- (b) any person—
  - (i) who occupies the premises or dwells on board the vessel; and
  - (ii) who is—
    - (A) aged below 15 under his guardianship; or
    - (B) unable to give such particulars by reason of sickness, disablement, absence or other sufficient cause.

#### **5. Deadline for destroying the schedules**

The Commissioner shall destroy all completed schedules collected or received by census officers for the census, and all copies of the schedules, not later than 14 July 2007.

### **SCHEDULE**

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#### **MATTERS IN RESPECT OF WHICH PARTICULARS ARE TO BE OBTAINED**

##### **A. In the case of persons**

Year and month of birth

Sex

Whether a member of the household

Relationship to other members of the household

Whereabouts at 3:00 a.m. on 14 July 2006 (“census reference moment”)

Whether usually living at the same premises or on board the same vessel during the 6-month period preceding the census reference moment

Whether expecting to be usually living at the same premises or on board the same vessel during the 6-month period following the census reference moment

If not a member of the household, whether living at another premises  
in Hong Kong or on board another vessel in Hong Kong

Place of birth

Nationality

Ethnicity

Duration of residence in Hong Kong

Whether Hong Kong Permanent Resident, ordinarily resides in Hong  
Kong or visitor

Number of months in Hong Kong in the past 6 months

Number of months expected to be in Hong Kong in the next  
6 months

If not usually living in Hong Kong, reason for usually living outside  
Hong Kong

Marital status

School attendance

Educational attainment—  
highest level attended  
highest level completed

Place of study

Mode of transport to place of study

Field of education

Usual language

Ability to speak other languages/dialects

Place of residence 5 years ago

Economic activity status

Industry

Occupation

Place of work

Mode of transport to place of work

Earnings from main employment

Whether having secondary employment

Earnings from secondary employment

Cash income from rent

Other cash income

Whether owner of premises

**B. In the case of households**

Type of household  
Household size  
Household composition  
Household income

**C. In the case of premises other than vessels**

Type of premises  
Occupancy of premises  
Number of households in premises  
Number of occupants in premises  
Type of accommodation  
Number of living/dining rooms  
Number of bedrooms  
Number of kitchens  
Number of bathrooms/toilets  
Number of other rooms  
Tenure of accommodation  
Rent  
Rates, Government rent and management fee  
Mortgage payment  
Outstanding mortgage or loan period

**D. In the case of vessels**

Type of vessel  
Occupancy of vessel  
Number of households on board vessel  
Number of occupants on board vessel

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### **Explanatory Note**

This Order directs the Commissioner for Census and Statistics to carry out a census of population of Hong Kong in 2006 to obtain particulars of matters relating to persons dwelling, and households based, on land or on any vessel described in the Order.