

**Guidelines for Candidates on Sending Election Advertisements
to Registered Electors and Authorised Representatives
in the Custody of the Correctional Services Department**

(Note: The following guidelines serve to illustrate that certain mail items which, if possessed by electors/authorised representatives (“ARs”) in the custody of the Correctional Services Department (“CSD”), may cause security hazards to penal institutions and hence will be rejected. The list of items set out below is by no means exhaustive.)

For security reasons and to maintain good order and discipline in penal institutions, any election advertisement (“EA”) mailed to registered electors/ARs in the custody of the CSD will be subject to security check; an EA will be rejected if it falls within any of the following categories:-

Materials

- (a) metal or plastic materials;
- (b) laminated materials;
- (c) sharp objects; or
- (d) materials coated with powder-like substance.

Content/Information

- (a) on how to manufacture arms, ammunition, weapon, explosives, harmful or deleterious substance, intoxicating liquor or any dangerous drugs within the meaning of the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance (Cap 134);
- (b) that depicts, describes or encourages violence in the penal institutions, or the escape by any inmate/prisoner from the penal institutions;
- (c) that encourages gambling in the penal institutions, or adversely affects the rehabilitation of electors/ARs in the custody of the CSD;
- (d) that abets or induces electors/ARs in the custody of the CSD to commit offences enumerated in the Prison Rules (Cap 234A) or any other criminal offences;
- (e) that poses threat to any individual’s personal safety or to the security, good order and discipline of the penal institutions; or

(f) that is obscene/indecent.

Size & volume

- (a) items larger than A4 size; or
- (b) oversized items.

Remarks: For enquiries, please contact the Principal Officer (Penal Operations)3 of the CSD at 2582 4023.

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