

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

**(Note: The following guidelines serve to illustrate that certain mail items which, if possessed by electors 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 in the custody of the CSD will be subject to security check; and 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 penal institutions;
- (c) that encourages gambling in penal institutions, or adversely affects the rehabilitation of electors in the custody of the CSD;
- (d) that abets or induces electors 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 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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