

Waiver for Licence Fees for Restaurants and Restricted Food Permits



Details of Fee Waiver (1)

- ◆ In 2015-16 Budget, the Financial Secretary announced some short-term measures to support the sectors affected by the occupy movement.
- ◆ Concession period lasts for one year, commencing on 1.7.2015 and ending on 30.6.2016 (both dates inclusive).
- ◆ Waiving the licence fees payable for restaurants and hawkers and fees for restricted food permits for 6 months.

Details of Fee Waiver (2)

- ◆ Benefiting 26 000 restaurants and operators in total:

Type of licence/permit	No. of valid licence/permit (as at 30.6.2015)
Restaurant licence	12 864
Restricted food permits	6 579
Hawker licence	6 224

- ◆ Applicable to new issue/renewal of restaurant licence and restricted food permits commence during the concession period.

Details of Fee Waiver (3)

- ◆ Issue of a full restaurant licence following a provisional licence is regarded as one licence in order to determine the amount of fee waiver.
- ◆ For new issue of provisional licence with licence commences during the concession period, the licence fee will be waived.

Details of Fee Waiver (4)

- ◆ For full restaurant licence commences during the concession period, the licence fee will be waived for a maximum period of 6 months :
 - If no fee waiver is granted for the connected provisional licence during the concession period, the full licence fee will be waived for 6 months.
 - For new issue of full licence before expiry of the connected provisional licence with fee waiver granted during the concession period, the licence fee will be partly waived for the unexpired portion of the provisional licence fee.
- ◆ Restaurant licence/permits applicants, licensees and permittees will receive details of the fee waiver in writing.

Thank you!

