

The Macao Special Administrative Region Government Identification Services Bureau

## Announcement

## **Enrolment for Using Hong Kong e-Channels**

Starting from 10 December 2009, eligible Macao Permanent Residents<sup>*Note 1*</sup>, aged eleven or above, can voluntarily enrol in advance for using the Automated Passenger Clearance System (e-Channel) to enter and exit the Hong Kong SAR with their Permanent Resident Identity Card.

- Eligible Macao SAR Permanent Resident Card holders, aged 18 or above, can have their enrollment at:
  - Enrollment office of the Hong Kong Immigration Department located at Hong Kong-Macao Ferry Terminal in Sheung Wan (the arrival hall area <u>before</u> going through the immigration) and China-Hong Kong Ferry Terminal in Tsim Sha Tsui (the arrival hall area <u>after</u> going through the immigration) (Service Hours: Monday to Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.); or
  - 2. Self-service kiosks located at the ground floor of China Plaza, Comprehensive Service Center of Macao SAR (Centro de Serviços da RAEM), departure halls of Macao Ferry Terminal and Taipa Temporary Ferry Terminal.
- Eligible Macao SAR Permanent Resident Card holders, aged eleven to under eighteen, must make their enrollment <sup>Note 2</sup> in person with their parent, guardian or legal representative at the abovementioned enrollment office located in Hong Kong.

For further enquiries, please visit http://www.dsi.gov.mo or contact us at 28370777.

An enrolled eligible Macao permanent resident can use the e-Channel located at (1) Hong Kong-Macao Ferry Terminal in Sheung Wan (left side of the immigration hall) and (2) China Ferry Terminal in Tsim Sha Tsui for entering and exiting the Hong Kong SAR. Resident only needs to place the Macao SAR Permanent Resident Identity Card on the document reader upward (with the photo on the left) and slide it to the upper edge. When the identity card reading process is finished, he/she can take back the identity card and enter the e-Channel for fingerprint verification. An entry record indicating the conditions and period of stay will be printed upon successful fingerprint verification.

After enrollment, if there is any problem encountered when using the e-Channel, please contact 83940542 or 83940507 for assistance.

Note 1 Refer to those who are not required a prior visa to enter the Hong Kong SAR. For further details, please visit <u>http://www.dsi.gov.mo</u>.

Note 2 Below are the original documents needed to be produced upon enrollment:

- Identity documents of the applicant and his/her father or mother or legal guardian who accompany with the applicant to deal with the enrollment;
- Applicant's valid birth certificate; persons who born in Macao are required to produce the "Certificate of Narrative of Birth Registration" for ID card application purpose that is issued by Macao Conservatória do Registo Civil;
- If accompanied by a legal guardian, parental authority or guardianship documents should be produced (if the documents are in Portuguese, a Chinese or English translation is required).

\* The above information is provided by the Immigration Department of the Hong Kong SAR Government