

Cross Generation Living Scheme

The Cross Generation Living Scheme (CGLS), which was introduced in March 2006, aims to improve the living conditions for families with 3 or more generations. This scheme is for households with 3 or more generations that fulfill the criteria to apply for two separate flats under one tenancy in the same estate.

With effect from 1 January 2025, the Hong Kong Housing Society (HKHS) will suspend new applications until further notice to focus on processing existing applications. All applications submitted before the aforementioned date, including those already approved or under processing, will not be affected.

1. Eligibility (as from 1 February 2019)

- (i) a. Existing households with 3 or more generations (with at least 4 persons) living together; or
 - b. Family that become 3 or more generations (with at least 4 persons) after subsequent name addition; and
- (ii) Rent to family income ratio should not exceed 25%; and
- (iii) The household has to fulfill 2 years residence rule at the existing flat before application; and
- (iv) All household members should not have any domestic property ownership in Hong Kong.
- 2. Tenant and household members have to complete an application form, provide all required information and supporting documents to the concerned Estate Office for processing.
- 3. The allocation of flats is based on the date of application, the number of eligible household members and the choice of transfer.
- 4. Due to the long waiting list for public housing applications and the additional housing resources required for the CGLS, starting from 1 February 2019, the first housing offer can only be made at least two years after the household has been placed on the Transfer Waiting List, provided a suitably-sized flat is available and it is the household's turn.
- 5. Tenant has to sign a declaration on 'No domestic property ownership in Hong Kong' and 'Undertaking of offer under the CGLS' and a new tenancy agreement upon acceptance of the offered flat.
- 6. Whatever the reason, if the household fails to meet the requirements for CGLS, for example, family members listed on the tenancy agreement decreased to 1 or 2 generation(s), the household is required to return one of the flats within the prescribed period (usually within 2 months) and/or be allocated another suitably-sized flat by the HKHS. If a tenant fails to surrender one of the flats to the HKHS within the prescribed period, HKHS will serve a "Notice-to-Quit" to terminate the tenancy and recover possession of both rental flats.
- 7. This scheme is not for splitting of family. HKHS has no household splitting policy.



Enquiries

The above information is for reference only. For details, please contact the Estate Office so that we can render assistance.

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