

**Summary of Decisions
Made by the Subsidised Housing Committee**

Paper Number : SHC 58/2005

Paper Title : Review of Allocation Policy for Non-elderly One-person Applicants

Date of Meeting : 29 September 2005

Summary of Recommendations

Members are invited to endorse the following-

(a) the proposed quota and points system for non-elderly one-person applicants. Details are at **Annex A**.

(b) the proposed implementation details set out at **Annex B**.

Decision

The above recommendations were approved. The Committee also agreed to review the quota and points system after one year of implementation.

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Quota and Points System for Non-elderly One-person Applicants

Allocation Quota

Annual allocation quota for the non-elderly one-person applicants will be set at around 1 000 and 2 000 public rental housing (PRH) flats. Actual quota will be determined together with the other allocation categories when mapping out the yearly PRH allocation plan taking account of the prevailing PRH supply.

Points System

Points will be assigned to the applicants based on the following two factors-

- (a) age of the applicants at the time of submitting the PRH applications;
and
- (b) whether the applicants are PRH tenants.

In brief, zero points will be given to applicants aged 18. Three points will be given to those aged 19; six points to those aged 20 and so forth. For applicants living in PRH (including those living in rental housing operated by the Housing Society), 30 points will be deducted. Details of the proposed assigning points system are as follows-

Factor	Points	
(i) Age	<u>Applicant's age</u>	<u>Points</u>
	18	0
	19	3
	20	6
	:	:
	24	18
	:	:
	35	51
	:	:
	50	96
:	:	
57	117	
(ii) PRH tenants (including rental housing operated by the Housing Society)		-30

* Applicants aged 58 or above are deemed as “elderly” applicants.

**Implementation Arrangements for
Quota and Points System**

1. Applicants who have passed the Comprehensive Means Test (CMT) before the Subsidised Housing Committee's endorsement (i.e. on or before 29 September 2005) will be exempted from the application of the quota and points system (QPS). For applicants who have not undergone the CMT, their position on the Waiting List (WL) will be re-prioritized according to the points received and their actual waiting time. As regards applicants residing in PRH, a grace period of three months would be granted so that they can decide whether they would cancel their PRH tenancy to avoid having their points deducted.
2. The annual allocation quota for non-elderly one-person applicants will be set at around 1 000 to 2 000 PRH flats, or at 10 per cent of the total number of PRH units available to WL applicants in that year. Actual quota will be set together with the other allocation categories when mapping out the yearly PRH allocation plan taking account of the prevailing PRH supply.
3. One-person applicants switching to family applications comprising two or more persons can carry half of their waiting time accumulated. The maximum waiting time that can be carried will be reduced from three to 1.5 years.
4. Family applicants switching to one-person applications owing to change in family circumstances will be subject to the QPS immediately upon switching. Points will be calculated according to the age of the applicants at the time of submitting their original family applications. Their accumulated waiting time can be carried in full. For incumbent PRH residents, a grace period of three months would be granted so that they can decide whether to cancel their PRH tenancy in the light of their own circumstances.
5. As with the existing policy, beneficiaries of various subsidized home ownership schemes, including Home Ownership Scheme, Home Assistance Loan Scheme and Tenants Purchase Scheme, etc., must have their household membership records deleted before registering on the WL.
6. In calculating the overall average waiting time for PRH, the waiting time of the non-elderly one-person applicants will be excluded.