

Letters and Post Office Boxes of Inland Revenue Department (IRD)

The IRD notes that queries have recently been posted on the internet on whether there are any fake “Tax Returns – Individuals” pretended to be issued by the IRD, in the light that the post office box numbers shown on different reply envelopes are not the same and there is difference in the color shade of the envelopes used. This notice seeks to explain the situation with a view to allaying public concerns.

In fact, the IRD has been using different post office boxes, in addition to the most common post office box “G. P. O. Box 132, Hong Kong”, to handle the large amounts of returns and letters received to facilitate classification and processing. The post office box numbers used by the IRD are listed below:

- General purpose - G.P.O. Box No. 132, Hong Kong
- Reply envelope for Tax Returns – Individuals - Gloucester Road Post Office Box Nos. 28744, 29001, 29002, 29003, 29004, 29005, 29006, 29007, 29008, 29009, 29010, 29013 and 29014
- Reply envelope for Property Tax Returns - Gloucester Road Post Office Box Nos. 29011 and 29012
- Objections or application for revision of assessments - Gloucester Road Post Office Box No. 28777
- Application for holdover of provisional tax - Gloucester Road Post Office Box No. 28487
- Change of postal address - G.P.O. Box No. 6068, Hong Kong
- Complaints - G.P.O. Box 11234, Hong Kong
- Miscellaneous purposes - Gloucester Road Post Office Box Nos. 28016, 28114, 28121, 28123, 28262, 28282, 28349, 28382, 28390, 28497, 28700, 28827 and 29015 and G.P.O. Box Nos. 3719 and 3753

Besides, the IRD used light green envelopes for the bulk issue of Tax Returns – Individuals on 4 May this year. However, the stock of dark green envelopes has

remained in use afterwards. Hence, there are green envelopes in different shades. The letter (A, B, C, etc.) printed on the envelope is for internal identification purpose.

If the public has any queries about the letters issued by the IRD (including their authenticity), they may contact the IRD (Telephone: 187 8088, email: taxinfo@ird.gov.hk) for further enquiries.