

L.N. 45 of 2022

Registration of Persons (Application for New Identity Cards) Order 2018 (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2022

(Made by the Secretary for Security under section 7B(1) of the Registration of Persons Ordinance (Cap. 177))

1. Registration of Persons (Application for New Identity Cards) Order 2018 amended

The Registration of Persons (Application for New Identity Cards) Order 2018 (Cap. 177 sub. leg. J) is amended as set out in section 2.

2. Schedule 2 amended (years of birth and specified periods)

(1) Schedule 2—

Repeal

“1954 or any year before	From 4 April 2022 to 14 January 2023”
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Substitute

“1954 or any year before	From 8 April 2022 to 14 January 2023”.
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(2) Schedule 2—

Repeal

“1983 or 1984	From 19 January 2022 to 2 April 2022”
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Substitute

“1983 or 1984	From 19 January 2022 to 23 July 2022”.
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Registration of Persons (Application for New Identity Cards) Order 2018
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Section 2

(3) Schedule 2—

Repeal

“1987 or 1988	From 19 January 2022 to 2 April 2022
1989, 1990 or 1991	From 4 April 2022 to 10 June 2022
1992, 1993, 1994 or 1995	From 11 June 2022 to 7 September 2022
1996, 1997, 1998, 1999 or 2000	From 8 September 2022 to 10 December 2022”

Substitute

“1987 or 1988	From 19 January 2022 to 23 July 2022
1989, 1990 or 1991	From 8 April 2022 to 23 July 2022
1992, 1993, 1994 or 1995	From 25 July 2022 to 6 October 2022
1996, 1997, 1998, 1999 or 2000	From 7 October 2022 to 10 December 2022”.

TANG Ping-keung
Secretary for Security

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Explanatory Note

To implement the Territory-wide Identity Card Replacement Exercise (*Replacement Exercise*), the Registration of Persons (Application for New Identity Cards) Order 2018 (Cap. 177 sub. leg. J) (*principal Order*) was amended by the Registration of Persons (Application for New Identity Cards) Order 2018 (Amendment) Order 2022 (L.N. 2 of 2022) (*amending Order*) to specify the periods within which certain groups of people must apply for new identity cards (*relevant application periods*). The amending Order came into operation on 4 April 2022. However, the replacement of Hong Kong identity cards under the Replacement Exercise has been interrupted due to the suspension of service of smart identity card replacement centres to contain the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The relevant application periods have thus become impracticable and have to be amended.

2. This Order amends Schedule 2 to the principal Order to ensure the Replacement Exercise be conducted in an orderly manner by—
 - (a) extending the periods within which holders of target identity cards that show 1983, 1984, 1987 or 1988 as the year of birth must apply for new identity cards; and
 - (b) providing for new application periods within which holders of target identity cards that show 1954 or any year before, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999 or 2000 as the year of birth must apply for new identity cards.