

Criminal and Law Enforcement Injuries Compensation (CLEIC) Scheme

Important Information in Brief for Applicants

The Scheme provides financial assistance to persons (or to their dependants in cases of death) who are injured as a result of a crime of violence or by a law enforcement officer using a weapon in the execution of his/her duty The incident was reported to the Police without unreasonable delay, or had been the subject of criminal proceedings Application must be made within 3 years of the date of the incident The victim was legally permitted to remain in Hong Kong at the time of the incident The victim died from the incident, or the injury inflicted gave rise to at least 3 days' hospitalisation or sick leave as certified by a registered medical practitioner/registered Chinese medicine practitioner Unless prevented by special circumstances, the applicant is required to attend an interview at the CLEIC Section of the Social Welfare Department (SWD) to provide relevant information and documentary proof (e.g. death certificate, sick leave certificate) SWD will verify the information provided by an applicant with the Police, the victim's family members/employer, etc. before submitting the application to the CLEIC Boards for consideration The Boards will decide whether to accept an application on the basis of the evidence available (the Boards also have the discretion to increase or reduce the amount of compensation, depending on the circumstances of the case) Those who receive damages or other compensation in respect of the same incident are required to repay the amount of CLEIC award or the amount of damages/other compensation received outside the Scheme, whichever is the less

(Note: To obtain CLEIC by deception is a criminal offence. In addition to the consequence of being ineligible for CLEIC, the person is liable on conviction to imprisonment for a maximum of 14 years under the Theft Ordinance, Cap. 210 of the Laws of Hong Kong.)

This leaflet only provides in brief the key features of the CLEIC Scheme. For more details, please read the information pamphlet on the Scheme or call 2892 5220.