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**Registration of Persons (Application for New Identity Cards) Order 2018 (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2020**

(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 sections 2 to 8.

**2. Section 2 amended (interpretation)**

Section 2—

**Repeal the definition of *substituted period*.**

**3. Section 4 amended (holders of target identity cards to apply for new identity cards)**

Section 4—

**Repeal**

“, or (if the circumstance mentioned in section 8 arises) the substituted period.”.

**4. Section 5 amended (applications by certain public officers)**

Section 5(3)—

**Repeal**

everything after “District Council”

**Substitute**

“, specified period includes the period from 18 February 2020 to 26 September 2020.”.

**5. Section 6 amended (applications by accompanied elderly persons and qualified persons with a disability)**

Section 6(1)(a)(i)—

**Repeal**

“, or (if the circumstance mentioned in section 8 arises) the substituted period,”.

**6. Section 7 amended (applications by residents of residential care homes)**

Section 7(1)(b) and (2)(b)—

**Repeal**

“or (if the circumstance mentioned in section 8 arises) substituted period”.

**7. Section 8 repealed (circumstance for substituting application periods)**

Section 8—

**Repeal the section.**

**8. Schedule 2 substituted**

Schedule 2—

**Repeal the Schedule**

**Substitute**

## “Schedule 2

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### Years of Birth and Specified Periods

| Column 1<br>Year of birth | Column 2<br>Specified period               |
|---------------------------|--|
| 1955 or 1956              | From 24 September 2019 to 15 November 2019 |
| 1957, 1958 or 1959        | From 16 November 2019 to 26 September 2020 |
| 1960 or 1961              | From 18 February 2020 to 26 September 2020 |
| 1962 or 1963              | From 28 July 2020 to 30 January 2021       |
| 1964 or 1965              | From 27 July 2019 to 23 September 2019     |
| 1966 or 1967              | From 3 June 2019 to 26 July 2019           |
| 1968 or 1969              | From 1 April 2019 to 1 June 2019           |
| 1970, 1971 or 1972        | From 2 November 2020 to 30 April 2021      |
| 1985 or 1986              | From 21 January 2019 to 30 March 2019”.    |

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## Explanatory Note

The replacement of Hong Kong identity cards under the Territory-wide Identity Card Replacement Exercise (*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 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 2020 (L.N. 63 of 2020) (*amending Order*) to provide for new application periods in relation to certain groups of people, and for substituted application periods if a certain circumstance arises.

2. This Order further amends the principal Order (as amended by the amending Order) in the following way to ensure the Replacement Exercise be conducted in an orderly manner—
  - (a) to repeal the definition of *substituted period* in section 2, section 8, and references relating to substituted application periods in sections 4, 5, 6 and 7 and Schedule 2; and
  - (b) to amend the following provisions to provide for new application periods in relation to the relevant groups of people—
    - (i) section 4 and Schedule 2—in relation to holders of target identity cards that show 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1970, 1971 or 1972 as the year of birth;
    - (ii) section 5—in relation to certain members of District Councils;

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- (iii) section 6—in relation to elderly persons or qualified persons with a disability, who apply for the new identity cards concurrently with their accompanying persons; and
  - (iv) section 7—in relation to residents of residential care homes.
- 3. The Order also amends Schedule 2 to the principal Order (as amended by the amending Order) to repeal the application periods in relation to holders of target identity cards that show 1973, 1974, 1975 or 1976 as the year of birth.