GUIDANCE NOTES

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I. Conditions of Award

Please see Annex I.

II. General

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III. Documents to be Submitted with the Application

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(i) The two duly completed and signed Authorization Forms as attached for obtaining personal information; and
(j) If you apply for grant, the attached Declaration of Family Financial Circumstances completed by your parent, or in case of an orphan, by the guardian, with the supporting documents required. If the Declaration is not submitted, award of grant will not be considered. If you apply for scholarship only, you need not submit the Declaration.

IV. Handling of Information and Personal Data Supplied in Application

6. It is obligatory for the applicant to provide the necessary information including personal data as required in the application. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in the application being disqualified for further processing. The personal data provided and any supplementary information as required by the Agricultural Products/Marine Fish Scholarship Fund Advisory Committee will be used by the Advisory Committee, with the assistance of its agents and the concerned staff for the following purposes:

(a) Activities relating to the handling and vetting of the information supplied and data preparation necessary for the assessment of financial assistance under the Agricultural Products/Marine Fish Scholarship Fund; and

(b) Activities relating to the handling of the information supplied and data preparation necessary for the compilation of the relevant statistics to facilitate reviews.

7. The personal data provided by means of this application will only be disclosed to those relevant persons/parties:

(a) for the purposes mentioned in para. 6 above;

(b) where the applicant has given his/her consent to such disclosure; and

(c) where such disclosure is authorized or required by law.

8. Applicant has the right to obtain access and make corrections to the personal data provided by him/her in the application. Applicant can obtain a copy of the respective personal data subject to the payment of necessary administrative charges. Such request should be addressed in writing to the Secretary, Agricultural Products/Marine Fish Scholarship Fund Advisory Committee.

V. Application Processing and Interview

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VI. Application Procedure and Deadline

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[If the application is submitted by mail, please write the return address at the back of the envelope and make sure the mail item bears sufficient postage. Mail items without sufficient postage will be returned by Hongkong Post to the sender, who will be charged with the deficiency plus a surcharge. Mail items without return address will be disposed of by Hongkong Post in accordance with their established procedures for handling undeliverable mail.]

Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

12. Application received after the deadline will NOT be considered save in exceptional case.
VII. **Enquiries**

13. Enquiries may be addressed to the Secretary, Agricultural Products/Marine Fish Scholarship Fund Advisory Committee (Telephone no. 2150 6698).

Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department
June 2019
Agricultural Products/Marine Fish Scholarship Fund

Tertiary education awards

Conditions of award 2019/20

I. Eligibility

1. Applicants should have right of abode in Hong Kong, or have resided legally in Hong Kong continuously for three completed years immediately prior to the commencement of their courses.

2. Applicants should study recognized degree or sub-degree courses on full-time basis at the following institutions in 2019-20. Applications from student pursuing/going to pursue a second bachelor’s degree, research or post-graduate programme will not be considered.

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   (b) recognized overseas institutions

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   Note: Persons from the two marketing industries who are eligible to apply for the two Funds refer to those engaged in wholesale business in the wholesale markets under the Vegetable Marketing Organization or the Fish Marketing Organization, and have registration records with the Organizations, as well as their families and dependants.

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Remarks:

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4. Students studying in Hong Kong or abroad may apply for scholarship and/or grant.
II. Award Criteria

Scholarship

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Grant

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III. Other Conditions

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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICATION OF
Mr/Miss
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#### 2019/20 AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS/MARINE FISH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

**Application for Tertiary Education Awards**

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AUTHORIZATION TO OBTAIN PERSONAL INFORMATION (1)

I, ________________________________,
(Name of Applicant in English & Chinese block letters)

HKID Card No. ________________________________,

hereby authorize the Agricultural Products/Marine Fish Scholarship Fund Advisory Committee to obtain fully from the Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency the information in respect of my personal particulars and my application under the Tertiary Student Finance Scheme – Publicly Funded Programme, Financial Assistance Scheme for Post-secondary Students and Non-means-tested Loan Scheme (including the application result and the amount of assistance awarded) kept by the Agency for matters relating to my application/awards under the Agricultural Products/Marine Fish Scholarship Fund.

Date ___________________________   Signature of Applicant ___________________________

Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department
June 2019
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS/MARINE FISH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

AUTHORIZATION TO OBTAIN PERSONAL INFORMATION (2)

I, ________________________________________________________,
(Name of Applicant in English & Chinese block letters)

HKID Card No. _____________________________________________

hereby authorize the Agricultural Products/Marine Fish Scholarship Fund Advisory Committee to obtain fully from the organisation/department being requested the information in respect of my personal particulars kept by the organisation/department concerned for matters relating to my application/awards under the Agricultural Products/Marine Fish Scholarship Fund.

Date ____________________ Signature of Applicant ____________________

Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department
June 2019
Notes on Completing the Declaration of Family Financial Circumstances:

If the applicant applies for grant, this declaration must be completed and submitted. If this declaration is not submitted, award of grant will not be considered. If the applicant applies for scholarship only, submission of this declaration is not required.

This declaration should be completed by the applicant’s parent or in the case of an orphan, by the guardian.

Every item on the declaration should be completed, and “Nil” or “N/A” should be put against any item which does not apply.

The following supporting documents must be submitted with the declaration:

(i) Documentary evidence of income of all family members (including the declarer and the applicant) from 1.4.2018 - 31.3.2019 e.g. copies of tax return/salary statement/Hong Kong Inland Revenue Employer’s Return of Remuneration and Pensions. As regards business owners, please provide a copy of profit and loss account duly certified by a certified Accountant. In case this is unavailable, please submit a self-prepared income breakdown or profit and loss account. For self-employed or casual workers, self-prepared income breakdown or profit and loss account is acceptable if there is no other documentary evidence; and

(ii) Photocopies of bank passbooks/statements in respect of all current/savings/fixed deposit accounts held by all family members (including the declarer and the applicant). The documents should include the page showing the name of the holder and account number and all pages showing the transactions from 1.4.2018 - 31.3.2019.

I, ____________________________ (*Male/Female) Age _______ HKID No. __________

(Name in English BLOCK letters) (Name in Chinese)

of ____________________________ Phone No. __________

(Residential address)

______________________________ Phone No. __________

(Business address)

______________________________ (Correspondence address) (Other Contact Phone No.)

solemnly and sincerely declare that:

1. The applicant, ____________________________ is my ____________________________ (state the relationship, e.g. son, niece, etc.)

2. The names of members of my family are as follows (for those in employment, please state the occupations, places of employment and annual incomes; for those under education, please state the school/college/university names and the classes/years):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Age</th>
<th>Occupation and Place of Employment, or School/College/University Name and Class/Year</th>
<th>Total income for the last12 months ending 31 March</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>(a)</td>
<td>Myself</td>
<td>$</td>
<td>$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>My wife/husband</td>
<td>$</td>
<td>$</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
(b) Unmarried children living with me

$ ____________________________
$ ____________________________
$ ____________________________
$ ____________________________
$ ____________________________

(c) Members of my family (other than those listed above) such as my parents, brothers and sisters living with me and supported by me*

$ ____________________________
$ ____________________________
$ ____________________________
$ ____________________________

* Delete whichever not applicable  
# Please state the relationship under the “Name” column

(d) Income from other sources during the last 12 months ending 31 March (e.g. rent, interest from fixed deposits, dividends, help from relatives and friends in Hong Kong and abroad):

Source

$ ____________________________
$ ____________________________

Total $ ____________________________

3. Details of medical expenses actually paid in the last 12 months ending 31 March in respect of members of my family who are chronically sick are as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name of patient</th>
<th>Illness</th>
<th>Name of doctor/clinic/hospital visited</th>
<th>Medical fee paid</th>
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<tr>
<td>____________________________</td>
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Total $ ____________________________

4. Any other information in support of the application:

__________________________________________________________

__________________________________________________________

5. I fully understand the arrangement for the handling of information and personal data supplied in the application as stated in the Guidance Notes of the application.

6. The information provided in this Declaration about my family is complete and true. I will report immediately any changes affecting my family financial circumstances, improvement or deterioration.

7. I understand that any wilful omission/misrepresentation of information with a view to obtaining pecuniary advantage by deception is an offence and is liable to legal proceedings.

Date: ____________________________  Signature: ____________________________

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