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Question:

Please advise on the average time for processing a restaurant licence application and a provisional restaurant licence application in 2014, 2015 and 2016 respectively.

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Yu-yan, Tommy (Member Question No. 2)

Reply:

In 2014, 2015 and 2016, the average processing time for issuing a full restaurant licence was 168, 170 and 172 working days respectively, while that for issuing a provisional restaurant licence was 61, 63 and 49 working days respectively.

The processing time for an application is contingent upon the time spent by the applicant in complying with the relevant licensing requirements, settling objections raised by the public or other departments concerned and addressing relevant land issues, if any. It varies from case to case.

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