

Revision of Small Volume Exemption (SVE) Fee

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Background

- Under *Section 1(3) of Part 2 of Schedule 6 to the Food and Drugs (Composition and Labelling), Cap. 132W*, SVE fee for new application is **\$345**
- Under *Section 2(3) of Part 2 of Schedule 6 to Food and Drugs (Composition and Labelling), Cap. 132W*, the fee for renewal of exemption is **\$335**

Calculation of SVE Fees

- SVE fees are charged on a full-cost recovery basis in accordance with government policy.
- The cost mainly includes staff cost, departmental expenses, accommodation cost, administrative overhead, etc.

Review of SVE Fees

- FEHD has reviewed the SVE fees. The efficiency of processing SVE applications could be enhanced and the processing time reduced through use of the [Food Import and Control System](#).
- On a full-cost recovery basis, SVE fees for new and renewal applications submitted [online](#) via the [Food Import and Control System](#) could be lowered.

Review of SVE Fees

Proposal:

- The proposed SVE fee for **new application submitted online** is **\$265**.
- The proposed SVE fee for **renewal application submitted online** is **\$250**.
- As for **applications submitted via other means** (e.g. by post, fax or email), the fees will remain the same, i.e. **\$345** for new application and **\$335** for renewal application.

Review of SVE Fees

- The Department proposes amending relevant sections of the Food and Drugs (Composition and Labelling) Regulations, Cap. 132W, to introduce the new SVE fees.
- Paper was submitted to the LegCo Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene for discussion in Dec 2013.
- The new SVE fees are expected to be implemented before 1 April 2014.



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