

Membership Subscription Form

Office use only:

Personal Details : (*delete where appropriate)

 Name: Dr./Miss/Mr./Mrs./Ms. * (Family Name) (Given Name) (Chinese Name)

Membership No.: _____ Birth (MM/YY): _____ Mobile No.: _____ Other No.: _____

E-mail: _____ (All information including AGM documents will be delivered to member by EMAIL)

Address: _____

Selected Language: English Chinese (please ✓)

 The Hong Kong Bird Watching Society (HKBWS) processes your personal data strictly in accordance with the Data Protection Act; and your data will be used by HKBWS and their service providers only for communications between you and HKBWS. If you do not like to receive any promotional materials from HKBWS, please tick this box

Signature _____	For applicant aged below 18 and completed by a Parent or Guardian: Name of parent/guardian : (in block letters) _____ Signature : _____
Date : _____	

For applying the "Family Member", please provide details of your Full Rate Member(A) or Overseas Member(V):

 I am the spouse / child / parent* of (Name of Full Rate/Overseas Member) (Membership No. _____)

Membership Fee (Please tick where appropriate and use one form for each type of member, including Family Member.)

Classification of Members	Subscription Fees (HK\$)		Notes
	1 year	5 years	
Individual Member <small>(Aged 18 or above)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$400	<input type="checkbox"/> \$2,000	A - Full Rate Member Aged 18 or above & residing in HK
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200	N/A	T - Adult Student Member (Copy of student card required) Aged 18 or above & residing in HK. Full time day course student studying in a recognized institution in Hong Kong
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$70	<input type="checkbox"/> \$350	E - Elderly Member Aged 65 or above & residing in HK
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	F - Family Member Spouse, Children (aged 18 or above) or Parent of a Full Rate Member (A) or Overseas Member (V).
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$400	<input type="checkbox"/> \$2,000	V - Overseas Members Aged 18 or above & residing outside HK
Student Member <small>(Aged below 18)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$70	<input type="checkbox"/> \$350	S - Student Member Aged below 18 & residing in HK

Subscription of Hong Kong Bird Report	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	Member can download the Hong Kong Bird Report from our website. If you want to have a printed copy by post, please provide a surcharge of \$50. This rate of surcharge is eligible only to Full Rate Member (A) and Overseas Member (V).
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	If you belong to other classification of members (T,E,F,S), the rate of surcharge is \$100 including postage for receiving a printed copy of the report.

Donation of HK\$100 or above is tax deductible

Donation to HKBWS: HK\$ _____

Donation to Asia Conservation Fund of HKBWS : HK\$ _____

I enclose my Subscription plus surcharge (if any) and donation for a Total of HK\$ _____
Remarks: 1. Annual membership is valid from date of approval for one whole year. 2. Personal data provided will be kept in strict confidence and will be used by the Society for administrative purposes only. 3. By signing this form, the applicant or the parent/guardian of a child aged below 18 absolves the Society from any responsibility in case of accident or mishap in outings.

Payment methods :

<input type="checkbox"/> 1. Cash : In person to our Office. DO NOT send cash by post. Thousand dollar note NOT accepted	<input type="checkbox"/> 2. Direct Credit : please enclose payment slip. Bank of China (HK) A/C No.: 012-878-1-076439-9
<input type="checkbox"/> 3. Cheque drawn on a HK based bank payable to "THE HONG KONG BIRD WATCHING SOCIETY"	<input type="checkbox"/> 4. eCheque drawn on a HK based bank payable to "THE HONG KONG BIRD WATCHING SOCIETY" & send by email to: membership@hkbws.org.hk
<input type="checkbox"/> 5. Online payment by Credit Card or PayPal via PayPal web-based payment system (PayPal a/c NOT required for credit card payment). Please send a payment request to my EMAIL at : _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> 6. Credit Card payment authorization (Payment service via PayPal Virtual Terminal) : Type of Credit Card : <input type="checkbox"/> Master <input type="checkbox"/> VISA HKBWS Membership fee+Donation+Surcharge, if any = Total HK\$ _____ Credit Card No.: _____ Name of Cardholder: _____ Card expiry date: _____ CSC Code** : Upon request Cardholder Signature: _____ Date: _____	

**To secure safe use of credit card, our staff will contact the member later to obtain this CSC Code (the last three digits in the signature area on the back of your credit card).

Support HKBWS! Be a Member NOW!



Welcoming Offer !!!



If you submit the application before 31 Jan 2021,
You can enjoy the following 3 special offers:



Received a complimentary gift (put a in the box if you do not want)



Shopping discount

(Select at least 1 item from below A · B & C column to enjoy this offer. The discount offered here is better than the current membership discount) (please)

A (Select 1 and at most 2 items) (Each item limited to 1 copy/set)		B (Select 1 and at most 2 items) (Each item limited to 1 set)		C (Select 1 and at most 3 items) (Each item limited to 1 set/pc)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Birds of Hong Kong & South China (Chinese version)	HK\$100	<input type="checkbox"/> 8x25 TERRA ED Pocket	HK \$2,830	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-Breasted Bunting Organic Handkerchief	HK \$50
<input type="checkbox"/> A Photographic Guide to the Birds of HK (Set of 2 books)	HK \$300	<input type="checkbox"/> 10x25 TERRA ED Pocket	HK \$3,070	<input type="checkbox"/> Birds of HK Stickers (Set of 5)	HK \$5
<input type="checkbox"/> A Mini Photographic Guide of HK Terrestrial Birds (Chinese only)	HK \$70	<input type="checkbox"/> 8x32 TERRA ED black/green	HK \$3,630	<input type="checkbox"/> Owl Binocular Drawstring Pouch(Moss Green)	HK \$40
<input type="checkbox"/> A Mini Photographic Guide of HK Waterside Birds (Chinese only)	HK \$70	<input type="checkbox"/> 10x32 TERRA ED black/green	HK \$4,030	<input type="checkbox"/> Owl Umbrella	HK \$70
<input type="checkbox"/> Don Don the Little Sparrow - A Minor Accident (Chinese only)	HK \$50	<input type="checkbox"/> 8x42 TERRA ED black	HK \$4,030	<input type="checkbox"/> Owl Reusable Rain Bag for Umbrella	HK \$55
		<input type="checkbox"/> 10x42 TERRA ED black/green	HK \$4,430	<input type="checkbox"/> HKBWS Cross binocular strap	HK \$39
Total Amount :					



Receive a HKBWS eShop e-coupon:

1. Enjoy a 20% discount for purchases over \$100 at HKBWS eShop;
2. Please enter the coupon code on "Shopping Cart" page before payment (Coupon code will be issued after completion of registration);
3. Coupon code can be used once only;
4. Enjoy free shipping for purchases over \$600;
5. Discount is not applicable to fixed-priced products;
6. Coupon code availability: from now to 28th February 2021;
7. HKBWS eShop: <https://cms.hkbws.org.hk/eshop/index.php/en/>

Please note :

- Purchasing and membership fee must be paid separately;
- Please fill in the membership application form together with this form and send it back to our office;
- If you purchase items A, B, & C, you may pay by cheque or cash, to be picked up at our office later to check the binoculars before acceptance;
- You may use related mail order services when using the eShop electronic coupons;
- You may choose to enjoy either one or all 3 special offers at the same time;
- Apart from binoculars, all product details can be found in HKBWS eShop. Binoculars details can be found here: <http://www.hkbws.org.hk/BBS/viewthread.php?tid=29102&extra=page%3D1>

《Code of Conduct for Birdwatching and Bird Photography》

The objective of HKBWS is to promote the study, appreciation and conservation of birds in Hong Kong. In addition, the Society also facilitates the exchange of experience and information related to birdwatching among members. Since birds are sensitive to human disturbance, special care is required when watching or taking photographs of birds, to avoid bringing disturbance to the birds or endangering their lives. The Society has drawn up the following *Code of Conduct for Birdwatching and Bird Photography* and requires that it be followed by members. It would provide a model of good practices in birdwatching and bird photography for the general public to follow.

1. The Welfare of Birds Comes First

Birdwatching and bird photography should be carried out with minimum interference to the birds. Disturbance must be avoided as far as possible.

- a. Stop if the birds appear disturbed, begin to move away or exhibit other abnormal reaction
- b. Exercise additional precautions when the activity is undertaken with a large group of people
- c. Do not attempt to influence the behaviour of birds, e.g. by flushing, chasing or baiting
- d. Use flash only sparingly
- e. Do not damage the natural environment

2. Protect Sensitive Sites

Sites such as nests, seabird colonies and the roost of rarities are particularly vulnerable. Take extra care to minimize disturbance.

- a. Keep a suitable distance to avoid stressing the birds
- b. Do not land on islands with breeding colonies
- c. Do not disturb nests and their surrounding vegetation, or the nest could be abandoned or become exposed to predators
- d. Share information about the sites with discretion and do not reveal it casually in public. Explain clearly to those who may not understand the Code, to avoid bringing disturbance to the site
- e. Beware that your actions may attract unwanted attention and hence disturbance to the site

3. Report Disturbances

If you find people disturbing or causing harm to birds, advise against the act when it is safe to do so. If they cannot be stopped, take photos and report to the AFCD as soon as possible. Post a report at the Society's online Forum.

4. Respect Others

- a. Share the fun – avoid disturbing other birdwatchers or photographers on site.
- b. Take care not to damage facilities or crops at the site.

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I support the objectives of the Society. I have read the above *Code of Conduct for Birdwatching and Bird Photography* and promise to abide by it fully.

Name of Applicant : _____ Signature : _____ Date : _____

Code of Conduct for Birdwatching in Rural & Fishpond Area

During birding seasons, birders and bird photographers may visit rural and fishpond area for birdwatching and taking photograph. However, as most rural areas are privately owned, please take extra cautions when visiting there. The below note is a supplement to our “Code of Conduct for Birdwatching and Bird Photography” for your action:

1. Respect private properties, local custom and traditional culture:

- ✓ Most of the lands in rural area are privately owned. Please respect local residents, their private properties and belongings. Do not damage any property and crops in the field.
- ✓ If requested by villagers or farmers, birders should leave the area as soon as possible to avoid causing any discontentment.
- ✓ Ancestral shrine, temple and cemetery are important elements of traditional culture and structure. Do not enter without permission. Behave decently and do not step on cemetery.
- ✓ Do not enter alleyway between houses to minimize disturbance to daily life of the residents.
- ✓ Keep the area clean. Do not smoke or litter. Take your litter home.
- ✓ Keep quiet and avoid making noise.
- ✓ Beware of dogs in farmlands and fishponds. For your own safety, do not cross the road obstructed by dogs.

2. Protect crops in the field

- ✓ Farmers and fishermen rely on farmlands and fishponds to make their living. Do not walk into farmlands and fishponds. Do not step on or damage crops. Do not take any crops without owner’s permission.
- ✓ Farmers and fishermen plant crops on bunds; so please be very careful when you walk around. Do not step on the crops.
- ✓ Do not walk into farmlands and fishponds, and choose another one when the path is blocked. To avoid causing unnecessary loss, do not try to pass through the barrier.
- ✓ Do not walk on those harvested farmlands or dried fishponds to avoid disturbance.
- ✓ Do not walk on narrow bunds between farmlands since these bunds are made for special purposes and for farmers' use only.
- ✓ Do not move or relocate farmer’s tool or belongings. Do not put any stuff, e.g. branch or stone, onto farmlands or bunds because it may obstruct cultivation activity and put farmers in danger.

3. Driving & Parking

- ✓ Roads in rural area are usually narrow and single two way, please be patient and be considerate to oncoming cars on a narrow road.
- ✓ Try to use public car parks or on-street parking with meters if possible; otherwise, try to park your car in open area or at broad roadside.
- ✓ After parking the car, pay attention to whether the vehicle has obstructed the traffic or occupied residents’ parking spaces because parking spaces are not always noticeable in rural area.
- ✓ Place your contact number in front of the windscreen for emergency contact.



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Code of Entry

Welcome to Mai Po Nature Reserve. The Reserve is a restricted area under the Wild Animals Protection Ordinance (Chapter 170) in order to minimize disturbance to wildlife so all visitors are expected to behave responsibly and observe the following **codes of entry**:

1. To enter the Mai Po Nature Reserve you need, together with your identification, a valid 'Mai Po Marshes Entry Permit' issued by the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD), and to enter the Frontier Closed Area (FCA) to access the Floating Boardwalk and Hides to see birds on the Deep Bay mudflats you need a valid 'FCA Permit' issued by Hong Kong Police Force. Therefore you must either-
 - a) Hold valid personal entry permit(s),
 - b) Use valid group entry permits issued to WWF-HK or other organisations, or
 - c) Hold a valid temporary entry permit mainly issued to foreign visitors.
2. Persons under 18 years must be accompanied by an adult who should be responsible for their proper behaviour and safety inside the Reserve and those aged under 5 are not allowed to enter the Reserve for safety reasons;
3. All visitors are asked to respect the habitats and wildlife of the Reserve by keeping to the designated paths at all times and not causing undue noise. Some locations in the reserve are fenced off in the interest of conservation and wildlife preservation. Details of the designated paths are highlighted as enclosed, please do not go beyond any 'No Entry' signs. You are obliged to observe and comply with the instruction accordingly;
4. You need to be a WWF member or a participant on one of the WWF tours, in order to use WWF facilities such as bird hides, rainshelters and boardwalks; for non-member wishing to use WWF facilities, you should contact WWF staff at **2471 3480** before entering the Reserve.

5. Site facilities (or part of a specific facility) are sometimes closed off or reserved for activities organized by WWF-HK including public guided visit, school visit at designated time slot, special events or repair. Under such circumstance, a notice will be posted by WWF-HK at the facility entrance and visitors should not use that specific facility during the closure / reserved period.
6. While in a bird hide, please –
 - Remain quiet;
 - Do not poke your arms, cameras or telescopes out of the hide windows;
 - Close all windows and doors before leaving.
7. Never use flash when taking photographs;
8. Visitors should wear clothes in plain colour;
9. Mobile phone should be switched to quiet mode;
10. Do not feed any animal;
11. Smoking, including e-cigarette, is prohibited in the Reserve;
12. No pet should be brought into the Reserve. For dogs, only trained assistance dogs are allowed (i.e. Guide Dogs);
13. No baby strollers should be brought into the reserve;
14. Do not disturb wildlife and do not take away ANYTHING from the Reserve;
15. We request vehicles only enter the reserve for official work purposes (e.g. research). Inside the reserve, please do not leave your vehicle engine idling;
16. Aerial cameras / drones should not be flown over the reserve.

You are encouraged to visit us by public transport. Parking at the Mai Po Visitor Centre is only available for public transport and coaches to pick up or drop off the people who are visiting the Reserve (the closest parking space is at Palm Springs or San Tin bus terminal).


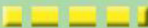
After your visit, please help other visitors by writing your wildlife sightings on the chalk record board in the Mai Po Visitor Centre. Also, if you happen to see any sick or injured wildlife, please report their location to WWF staff at the Visitor Center reception (or the Education Centre inside the Reserve).

WWF provides guided tours to the Reserve on every Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Public Holiday (Except Chinese New Year). To join our tours, please book through our website (wwf.org.hk). Alternatively you can contact us directly; email publicvisit@wwf.org.hk, fax 2471 0325, call 2471 3480 during office hours (Monday to Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., except Chinese New Year holiday), call our service hotline 2526 1011 (press 2, 1 after selecting the language).

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(Updates: Sept 2020)



-  需持有由香港漁農自然護理署署長發出的有效許可證 Mai Po Marshes Entry Permit
-  需持有由香港警務處處長發出的有效禁區通行證 FCA Permit