



EAA and Consumer Council publish
Notes on Signing a Tenancy Agreement

(1 June 2007) The Estate Agents Authority (EAA) and the Consumer Council have jointly published an updated version of the pamphlet entitled *Notes on Signing a Tenancy Agreement*. The pamphlet will assist both landlords and tenants in understanding the importance of a tenancy agreement, the terms that should be included in it and the things to note when appointing estate agency practitioners.

A spokesman for EAA said, “Apart from regulating the practice of estate agents, EAA is also committed to enhancing public understanding of issues related to the sale, purchase and leasing of residential properties. The *Notes on Signing a Tenancy Agreement* is a comprehensive guide covering different aspects of a tenancy. It will be a useful reference for both landlords, tenants and practitioners.”

The bilingual pamphlet sets out the terms that should be included in a tenancy agreement, such as information about the rental property, restrictions on use, lease term, rent, deposit, general obligations, subletting and alterations, as well as the rights and obligations of the landlord and the tenant before and after signing the tenancy agreement. The pamphlet also lists out the points to note when appointing an estate agent.

The public may obtain a copy of the pamphlet at the EAA office (48/F., Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen’s Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong) and the Consumer Advice Centres of the Consumer Council (the centres’ addresses are listed on the Consumer Council website www.consumer.org.hk), or download the pamphlet from the EAA website (www.eaa.org.hk).



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