Climate of Hong Kong

In Hong Kong, June to July are hot and humid with occasional showers, thunderstorms and typhoons. The average low and high temperatures are 27 °C (81 °F) and 31 °C (88 °F). Afternoon temperatures often exceed 31 °C whereas at night, temperatures generally remain around 26 °C with high humidity. For the weather forecast, visit the website of



Hong Kong Observatory: http://www.hko.gov.hk/contente.htm on

Time Zone

GMT +8 hours

Voltage & Plug Type

220 volts AC, 50Hz. UK-style plug (Type G)



Prepaid SIM Card

Some prepaid SIM card can make local calls, international calls and provide mobile data service. You can buy the SIM card at any shops of Telecommunication provider or convinced stores.

Money

Cash: US\$ $1 \approx HK$ \$ 7.8. There are money exchanges in the airport and downtown.

Credit card: Accepted in many shops, restaurants, supermarkets, hotels.

Octopus card: A stored value smart card for making electronic payments, widely used for public transport (metro, bus, ferry but not taxi), convenience stores, supermarkets, pharmacies and fast-food restaurants in Hong Kong. Octopus card is sold at MTR customer service centres of *all* stations. (MTR is the metro/subway system of Hong Kong.) The price is HK\$150 (with an initial stored value of HK\$100 and a deposit of HK\$50). Usually not more than HK\$500 is stored in Octopus. Money can be credited to the card at most shops accepting the card, and also at customer service centres in the MTR stations. You may return and obtain a refund of the deposit for a normally functioning Octopus at any Customer Service Centre, but a refund handling fee of HK\$9 is required.

