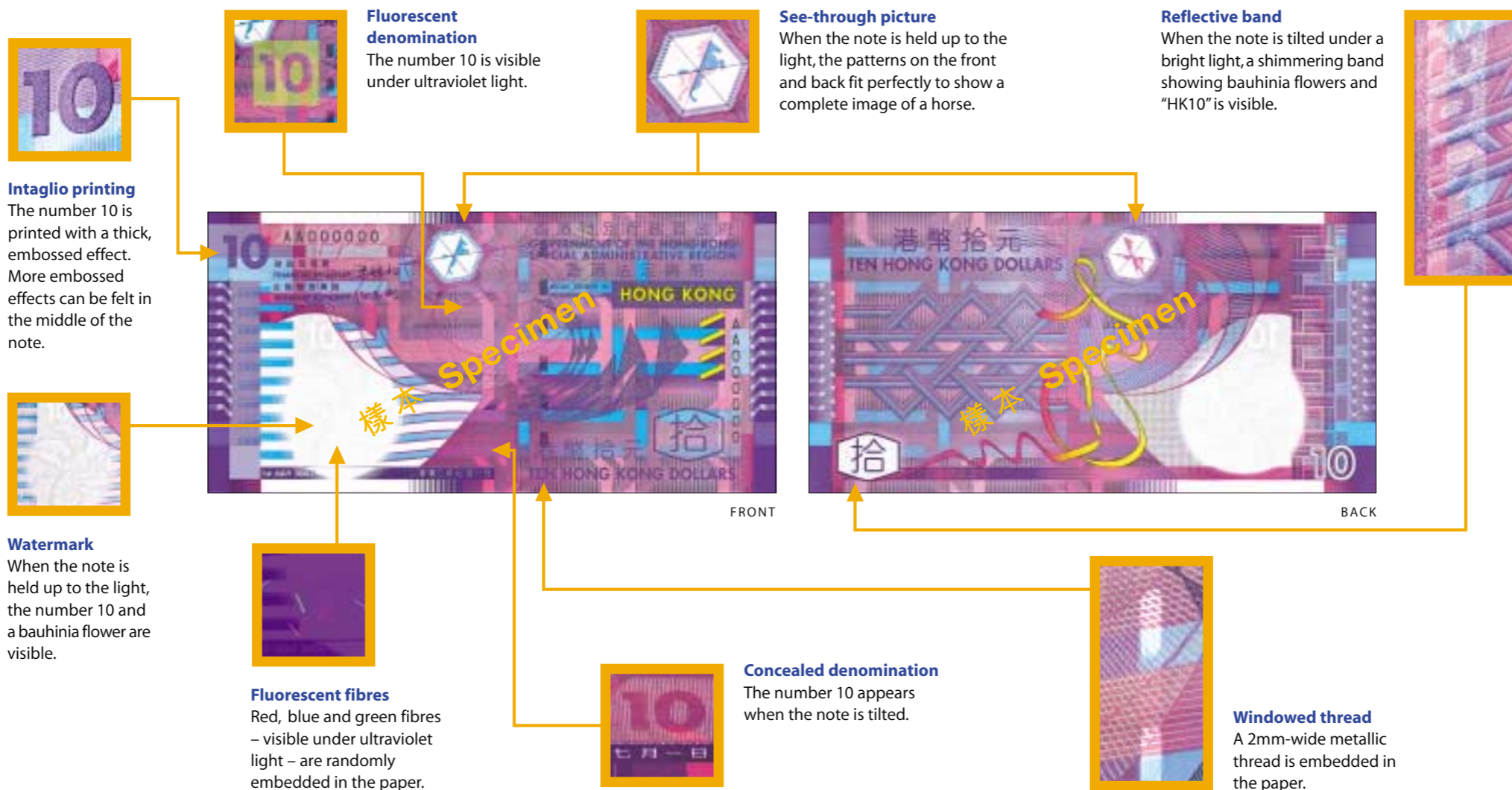


HONG KONG'S NEW TEN DOLLAR NOTE

From the late summer and early autumn of 2002 a new ten dollar note will appear in Hong Kong. The new note is issued by the Government in recognition of a continuing demand among the public for a ten dollar note in addition to the ten dollar coin. The ten dollar coin and the existing ten dollar notes will remain in circulation.

The new ten dollar note incorporates a variety of advanced security features. Most of them are visible to the naked eye.



Why is the new \$10 note being issued?

The new note is intended to satisfy a general public demand for the choice of a \$10 note in addition to the \$10 coin.

Will this new \$10 note replace the \$10 coin and the existing \$10 banknotes?

No. The existing \$10 coin and the \$10 banknotes issued by HSBC and Standard Chartered Bank remain legal tender.



When will the new note be available to the public?

You can expect to begin to see the note appearing in your change from the late summer and early autumn of 2002 onwards. The new note will be released gradually as supplies become available.

The new \$10 note contains a number of special security features. Will these features also be applied to other Hong Kong banknotes?

A review of the design of all of Hong Kong's banknotes is now in progress. Decisions on the security features for banknotes of other denominations are being taken as part of this review.

What should I do if I think that a note or coin may be counterfeit?

Retain the note or coin and take it to the nearest police station. Alternatively, call the Commercial Crime Bureau at 28605012 or 28605013.