

**Section Title:**

Public Housing Design

**VO:**

Over the years

design of public housing has seen continuous improvements

**Super:**

H Blocks of the 1950s

The old Shek Kip Mei Estate (now demolished)

**VO:**

Resettlement blocks of the 1950s

were of six or seven storeys high

Residents had to share toilets, bathrooms and tap water  
in the middle section of each floor

**Super:**

Slab Blocks of the 1960s

Choi Hung Estate

**VO:**

Slab Blocks of the 1960s were 16 storeys high  
with lift access for every three floors

**Super:**

Twin Tower Blocks of the 1970s

Wah Fu (II) Estate

**VO:**

Twin Tower Blocks of the 1970s were over 20 floors high  
with lift access to all levels

**Super:**

Trident Blocks of the 1980s

Chuk Yuen North Estate

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Trident Blocks of the 1980s were generally 35 storeys in height with three separate wings connected by a lift lobby in the centre

**Super:**

Harmony Blocks of the 1990s  
Tin Shui Estate

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Harmony Blocks of the 1990s were mainly in cruciform shape and of 40 floors high  
Major improvements have also been made in flat layouts

**Super:**

Resettlement Blocks (1950s)

**VO:**

Flats in earlier resettlement blocks were small in size and without any partitions or provisions

**Super:**

Slab (1960s) and Twin Tower Blocks (1970s)

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Flats in Slab Blocks and Twin Tower Blocks were equipped with self-contained washrooms and kitchens or balconies for cooking

**Super:**

Trident Blocks (1980s)

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A multi-room design was first adopted for Trident Blocks  
There were windows in both the living room and bedrooms and also window ledges for air-conditioners

**Super:**

Harmony Blocks (1990s)

**VO:**

The Harmony Blocks were also of a multi-room design but with bigger windows for better ventilation and more day-light

**Super:**

Eco-lighting

Natural ventilation

**VO:**

Today, construction of public housing is site-specific with flexible non-standard design and green concepts integrated to foster an eco-friendly living environment

**Super:**

Solar Power Generating Systems

Zero Irrigation Planting Systems