

## Communications

### -Express service

*The following companies provide door-to-door express mail and parcel service:*

**DHL:** 95380

**EMS:** 11183

**FedEx:** 400-886-1888

**SF:** 95338

### -Getting online

*Internet access is widely available in residential estates. The monthly charge is between RMB 100-200. It differs with the Internet bandwidth you need and the choice of service providers. The two major providers are China Unicom and China Telecom.*

*Internet usage is usually free-of-charge in serviced apartments.*

### -Phones

#### **DDD and IDD calls**

*Domestic Direct Dial (DDD) has an area code for each city in China, which you need to dial before the telephone number when making a China long distance call.*

*For example:*

Beijing	北京	(010)
Changchun	长春	(0431)
Changsha	长沙	(0731)
Chengdu	成都	(028)
Chongqing	重庆	(023)
Fuzhou	福州	(0591)
Guangzhou	广州	(020)
Guiyang	贵阳	(0851)
Ha'erbin	哈尔滨	(0451)
Haikou	海口	(0898)
Hangzhou	杭州	(0571)
Hefei	合肥	(0551)
Hohhot	呼和浩特	(0471)
Hongkong	香港	(00852)
Jinan	济南	(0531)
Kunming	昆明	(0871)
Lanzhou	兰州	(0931)
Lhasa	拉萨	(0891)
Macao	澳门	(00853)
Nanchang	南昌	(0791)

Nanjing	南京	(025)
Nanning	南宁	(0771)
Shanghai	上海	(021)
Shenyang	沈阳	(024)
Shijiazhuang	石家庄	(0311)
Taiyuan	太原	(0351)
<b>Tianjin(including TEDA)</b>	<b>天津(含泰达)</b>	<b>(022)</b>
Urumqi	乌鲁木齐	(0991)
Wuhan	武汉	(027)
Xi'an	西安	(029)
Xining	西宁	(0971)
Yinchuan	银川	(0951)
Zhengzhou	郑州	(0371)

*International Direct Dial (IDD) in non-serviced accommodations needs a separate application by the landline owner in advance.*

### **Mobile phone**

*In Tianjin, everybody owns a mobile phone. They are easily purchased on-line, at digital product shops, department stores and major supermarkets. To buy a SIM card, bring your passport to one of the following service providers:*

#### **China Mobile**

Zhōngguó Yí dòng

中国移动

Service hotline: 10086

Website: www.10086.cn

*Number segments: 134~139, 144, 147, 150~152, 157-159, 178, 182, 184, 187, 188, 195004, 195823, 195828 and 195829.*

#### **China Telecom**

Zhōngguó Diànxìn

中国电信

Service hotline: 10000

Website: www.189.cn

*Number segments: 133, 149, 153, 173, 177, 180, 181, 189, 191 and 199.*

#### **China Unicom**

Zhōngguó Liántōng

中国联通

Service hotline: 10010

Website: www.10010.com

*Number segments: 130~132, 145, 155, 156, 166, 175, 176, 185 and 186.*

*An additional subscription is needed if you require roaming service on your Chinese-SIM-card mobile phone. Ensure that your mobile phone account balance has more than RMB 200. You*

can subscribe to roaming by dialing your mobile service provider's service hotline, as listed above. You may opt to subscribe for limited or open period roaming. Roaming service terminates when your phone account balance is used up.

### Mobile phone bills payment

You may either pay the phone bill month by month online, or keep a high balance in your mobile phone account. To check the outstanding amount, you can use your service provider's official account or dial the service hotline. Overdue outstanding bill charges may render your service to be terminated, including your Internet access, if it is bound together with your mobile phone.

### Recommended APPs

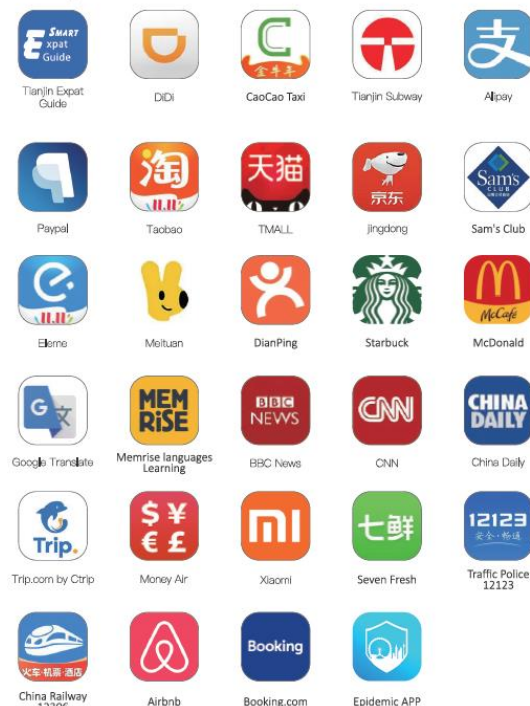
**WeChat (微信 Wēixin)**



Download and install WeChat (微信 Wēixin) on your smartphone. This is a “must” for living in China. You can use it for making free phone calls and video calls; for sending and receiving texts, voice messages, pictures and videos; for having group chats and meetings; for exchanging locations and doing GPS navigation. What’s more important for WeChat nowadays is that you can use WeChat to make payments by binding it with your bank account. Cash, wallet and credit cards are all out of date!

### Other useful APPs

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Please refer to P318 about how to download and use WeChat, P226 about Tianjin Subway, P309 about Alipay, P231 about DiDi.

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## **-Postal service**

### **Post offices**

*Following the newest government regulation in Tianjin. To post a parcel abroad, customs inspection is compulsory. Do not seal it until you receive the "stamp of approval" from customs inspection on the parcel. There is a prohibition if the value above RMB 800-1000 for a parcel posted abroad or outlands (Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan).*

*To post a parcel abroad, bring your passport and cash in person.*

#### **Binjiangdao Post Office**

Bīnjiāngdào Yóujú

滨江道邮局

Add: No. 125, Binjiang Dao, Heping Dist.

Héping Qū Bīnjiāng Dào 125 hào

和平区滨江道 125 号

Tel: 27116026

Hours: Mon-Sun: 09:00-17:30

#### **Jinnan Post Office**

Jīnnán Yóujú

津南邮局

Add: No. 176, Jingu Lu, Jinnan Dist.

Jīnnán Qū Jīngū Lù 176 hào

津南区津沽路 176 号

Tel: 88914383

Hours: Mon-Sun: 09:00-17:30

#### **Liqizhuang Post Office**

Lǐqīzhuāng Yóujú

李七庄邮局

Add: Commercial Section, Building 1, Ao Xiang Yuan, No. 150, Weijin Nanlu, Nankai Dist.

Nánkāi Qū Wèijīn Nánlù 150 hào Àoxiángyuán 1 hào lóu dǐshāng

南开区卫津南路 150 号奥翔园 1 号楼底商

Tel: 23382410

Hours: Mon-Sun: 09:00-17:30

#### **Meijiang Post Office**

Méijiāng Yóujú

梅江邮局

Add: No. 107, Jiuhuashan Lu, Meijiang Dao, Hexi Dist.

Héxī Qū Méijiāng Dào Jiǔhuáshān Lu 107 hào

河西区梅江道九华山路 107 号

Tel: 88360379

Hours: Mon-Sun: 09:00-17:00

#### **Dalong Post Office**

Dàlóng Yóujú

大龙邮局

Add: No. 83, Chongqing Dao, Heping Dist.

Héping Qū Chóngqìng Dào 83 hào

和平区重庆道 83 号

Tel: 23305181

Hours: Mon-Sun: 09:00-17:30

*The very first stamp in China was issued at this post office in 1878.*

### **Tianjin Railway Station Post Office**

Tiānjīnzhàn Yóujú

天津站邮局

Add: No. 86, Haihe Donglu, Hedong Dist. (beside the Tianjin Railway Station)

Hédōng Qū Hǎihé Dōnglù 86 hào (Tiānjīn Zhàn páng)

河东区海河东路 86 号 (天津站旁)

Tel: 24213296, 24217528

Hours: Mon-Fri: 09:00-17:00

*This is the headquarters of the post offices in Tianjin. It can provide all the international postal service, which some branch offices may not be able to provide.*

### **Tiyuanbei Post Office**

Tìyuànběi Yóujú

体院北邮局

Add: No. 6, Huanhu Zhongdao, Hexi Dist.

Héxī Qū Huánhú Zhōngdào 6 hào

河西区环湖中道 6 号

Tel: 23554669

Hours: Mon-Sun: 09:00-17:30

### **Write a country's name in Chinese**

*To expedite mails and parcels sorting and delivery, ensure that you have written the destination country name in Chinese besides other languages. Here are some examples:*

Argentina	阿根廷	Iran	伊朗	Portugal	葡萄牙
Australia	澳大利亚	Ireland	爱尔兰	Saudi Arabia	沙特阿拉伯
Austria	奥地利	Israel	以色列	Serbia	塞尔维亚
Belgium	比利时	Italy	意大利	Singapore	新加坡
Brazil	巴西	Japan	日本	South Africa	南非
Canada	加拿大	Korea	韩国	Spain	西班牙
Chile	智利	Kenya	肯尼亚	Sri Lanka	斯里兰卡
Columbia	哥伦比亚	Malaysia	马来西亚	Sweden	瑞典
Costa Rica	哥斯达黎加	Mexico	墨西哥	Switzerland	瑞士
Czech	捷克	Mongolia	蒙古	Thailand	泰国
Denmark	丹麦	Nepal	尼泊尔	Tunisia	突尼斯
Egypt	埃及	Netherlands	荷兰	Turkey	土耳其

Finland	芬兰		New Zealand	新西兰		UK	英国
France	法国		Nigeria	尼日利亚		Ukraine	乌克兰
Germany	德国		Norway	挪威		United Arab Emirates	阿联酋
Greece	希腊		Pakistan	巴基斯坦		USA	美国
India	印度		Philippine	菲律宾		Venezuela	委内瑞拉
Indonesia	印度尼西亚		Poland	波兰		Vietnam	越南