

Latest arrangements for Marine Department services

In light of the announcement by the Government today (August 6) that the special work arrangements for government employees will be extended for one week until August 16, a spokesman for the Marine Department (MD) announced that the licensing and port formalities services at the Yau Ma Tei Marine Office, the Tuen Mun Marine Office, the Sai Kung Marine Office, the Tai Po Marine Office, the Aberdeen Marine Office, the Cheung Chau Marine Office and the Shau Kei Wan Marine Office; the seafarers' examination and certification services; mercantile marine services; and local vessel surveying and enquiry services will continue to be suspended until August 16. Those who have made an appointment for services or examinations will be separately informed of alternative arrangements.

Services at the Central Marine Office and other services provided by the MD will remain unaffected.

Resumption of postal services to certain destinations

Hongkong Post today (August 6) announced that postal services to the destinations listed below will resume from tomorrow (August 7) as airlines gradually scale up their air traffic capacity. Notwithstanding this, local postal operations are still under the influence of the pandemic and delays in mail delivery are expected.

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Destinations		Service types available
Europe	Germany	• All postal services (including Speedpost service)
	Liechtenstein	• All airmail postal services (including Speedpost service)

North America	The United States	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speedpost service • e-Express service (only to East Coast areas with postcodes 40000-69999 and 74000-79999, including Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Texas, Wisconsin, and partial areas of Oklahoma and Washington DC; and West Coast areas with postcodes 81300-93999, including Arizona, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming as well as partial areas of California and Colorado) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All surface mail postal services
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Members of the public may visit the web page of Hongkong Post at www.hongkongpost.hk/en/about_us/whats_new/notices/index_id_967.html to refer to the service types currently available for overseas destinations.

Special arrangements for ICAC services to be extended

The following press release is issued on behalf of the Independent Commission Against Corruption:

In light of the extension of the Government's measures to reduce the flow of people and social contacts in order to stop COVID-19 from further spreading in the community, the ICAC today (August 6) announced that the current special arrangements of the Commission's services will be further extended until August 16.

During the period, except those who are required to provide essential and emergency public services, all other ICAC staff will work from home so as to reduce the flow of people and social contacts in the community.

Meanwhile, the ICAC's Report Centre and the report corruption hotline (2526 6366) will continue to operate round-the-clock to receive corruption complaints and enquiries. All other enquiry hotlines, including the Corruption Prevention Advisory Service hotline (2526 6363), Business Ethics Development Centre hotline (2826 3288), Clean Elections hotline (2920 7878) and the Integrity Building Management hotline (2929 4555) will also maintain their normal operation.

All ICAC Regional Offices will be closed during the period.

Public hospitals daily update on COVID-19 cases

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

As at 9am today (August 6), 144 COVID-19 confirmed patients were discharged from hospital. So far a total of 2 458 patients with confirmed or probable infection have been discharged.

At present, there are 668 negative pressure rooms in public hospitals with 1 222 negative pressure beds activated. A total of 1 204 confirmed patients are currently hospitalised in 18 public hospitals and a community isolation facility, among which 39 patients are in critical condition, 57 are in serious condition and the remaining 1 108 patients are in stable condition.

The preliminarily positive result of a deceased patient announced by the Hospital Authority (HA) earlier was confirmed today (case number: 3771). Including this case, a total of 45 COVID-19 confirmed patients have passed away in public hospitals so far.

The HA will maintain close contact with the Centre for Health Protection to monitor the latest developments and to inform the public and healthcare workers on the latest information in a timely manner.

Details of the above-mentioned patients are as follows:

Patient condition	Case numbers
Discharged	1333, 1334, 1364, 1372, 1393, 1433, 1453, 1481, 1519, 1542, 1566, 1617, 1653, 1666, 1667, 1686, 1720, 1722, 1735, 1774, 1802, 1807, 1815, 1823, 1880, 1892, 1893, 1895, 1909, 1929, 1946, 1961, 1990, 1999, 2029, 2038, 2039, 2072, 2076, 2077, 2104, 2105, 2112, 2124, 2147, 2186, 2187, 2196, 2203, 2216, 2228, 2234, 2242, 2248, 2262, 2281, 2289, 2299, 2335, 2338, 2400, 2415, 2432, 2437, 2438, 2492, 2498, 2509, 2541, 2544, 2557, 2600, 2642, 2649, 2673, 2678, 2684, 2685, 2718, 2721, 2765, 2777, 2782, 2791, 2812, 2814, 2815, 2827, 2835, 2849, 2853, 2859, 2860, 2869, 2875, 2878, 2899, 2905, 2910, 2923, 2934, 2939, 2949, 2953, 2956, 2969, 2994, 3010, 3012, 3014, 3036, 3044, 3054, 3060, 3080, 3088, 3095, 3102, 3103, 3108, 3121, 3149, 3150, 3160, 3179, 3191, 3209, 3224, 3237, 3250, 3298, 3331, 3334, 3346, 3363, 3364, 3395, 3404, 3431, 3449, 3485, 3550, 3634, 3575

Critical	1401, 1470, 1602, 1650, 1718, 1779, 1835, 1940, 1989, 2007, 2048, 2086, 2172, 2269, 2282, 2396, 2408, 2479, 2577, 2792, 2839, 2914, 2951, 2955, 2962, 2966, 2988, 3274, 3284, 3285, 3307, 3366, 3367, 3372, 3434, 3539, 3553, 3635, 3714
Serious	1573, 1795, 1843, 1956, 1968, 1998, 2033, 2078, 2079, 2133, 2143, 2148, 2288, 2315, 2316, 2334, 2358, 2362, 2404, 2405, 2412, 2422, 2560, 2576, 2591, 2595, 2671, 2701, 2702, 2720, 2745, 2746, 2748, 2789, 2793, 2811, 2894, 2912, 2940, 2941, 2968, 2989, 3005, 3025, 3090, 3096, 3105, 3193, 3194, 3317, 3411, 3461, 3473, 3486, 3617, 3641, 3681

EDB's latest public service arrangements

In view of the extension of special work arrangements for government employees until August 16, a spokesman for the Education Bureau (EDB) announced today (August 6) that all Regional Education Offices and the Joint Office for Kindergartens and Child Care Centres will continue to provide emergency services and essential public services during this period.

The spokesman reminded members of the public who need these services to contact the service units concerned by phone in advance.

As for the appointments already made for the audiological services at the Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre, officers of the EDB will contact the parents concerned for appropriate arrangements.

The School Places Allocation Section will continue to provide limited hotline services to handle enquiries.

When the circumstances permit, the Teacher Registration Team will invite applicants to proceed with necessary procedures in due course. New teachers taking up teaching posts in the new school year would not be affected in principle.

Regarding the following public facilities/units of the EDB, they will remain closed to the public temporarily until further notice:

1. Hong Kong Teachers' Centre, Special Education Resource Centre, Central Resources Centre and Young Achievers' Gallery located at Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre;
2. Arts and Technology Education Centre (including STEM Education Centre);
3. School Places Allocation Section;
4. Qualifications Framework Secretariat; and
5. Teacher Registration Team.