

## Red flag hoisted at Clear Water Bay Second Beach

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (February 2) that due to big waves, the red flag has been hoisted at Clear Water Bay Second Beach in Sai Kung District. Beach-goers are advised not to swim at the beach.

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## Visa-free access to Panama and Armenia for HKSAR passport holders

The Immigration Department announced today (February 1) that with effect from February 10, 2019, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) passport holders may visit Panama visa-free for a stay of up to 30 days. Likewise, national passport holders of Panama will also enjoy 30 days' visa-free access to Hong Kong.

Besides, with effect from March 3, 2019, HKSAR passport holders may visit Armenia visa-free for a stay of up to 180 days whereas national passport holders of Armenia will enjoy 30 days' visa-free access to Hong Kong.

An Immigration Department spokesman said, "Panama and Armenia are along the Belt and Road. Under the Belt and Road Initiative, these mutual visa-free arrangements would bring greater travel convenience to the travellers of Hong Kong, Panama and Armenia, and strengthen the tourism, cultural and economic ties between the places."

Including Panama and Armenia, 165 countries and territories have granted visa-free access or visa-on-arrival to HKSAR passport holders. Please visit the following website for details:  
[www.immd.gov.hk/eng/service/travel\\_document/visa\\_free\\_access.html](http://www.immd.gov.hk/eng/service/travel_document/visa_free_access.html) or scan the attached code.

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# Hospital Authority follows up on recommendations of Investigation Panel

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority (HA) set up an Investigation Panel last November to explore means to better support front-line healthcare workers to identify lesions in chest X-rays in a timely manner, following three cases of oversight of abnormal X-ray findings.

After investigation, the Panel concluded that the common root cause of the three cases was perceptual error and made the following recommendations:

- 1) Enhance specific training on skills of interpreting chest X-rays for front-line doctors;
- 2) In view of increasing demand for chest X-rays in public hospitals and the turnaround time for formal reporting, the Panel recommends the following measures to support front-line clinicians:
  - i) Explore the application of artificial intelligence to help pick up lesions that are incidental or not visualised;
  - ii) Outsourcing teleradiology reporting services to overseas radiology specialists for clinical decision support;
  - iii) Develop long-term manpower planning of radiologists to cope with growing demand for radiology services; and
- 3) The HA should develop criteria to facilitate the prioritisation and application of the above-mentioned supportive measures.

The HA has formulated the following action plans to implement the recommendations proposed by the Panel:

## Short to Medium Term Measures

- 1) Senior clinicians to review chest X-rays of patients discharged directly from Accident and Emergency Departments.
- 2) Provide web-based training modules to enhance the skills of front-line clinicians in interpreting chest X-rays.

## Medium to Long Term Measures

- 3) Conduct a feasibility study on applying artificial intelligence tools in clinical workflow. A pilot study will be held in a clinical unit before the end of this year.
- 4) Explore the feasibility of outsourcing to overseas teleradiology reporting services, with due consideration in technological, financial and legal issues and views from related clinical disciplines.



In accordance with the Panel's recommendations, the HA Coordinating Committee in Radiology will develop recommendations on the criteria for identifying and prioritising on the application of artificial intelligence and outsourcing teleradiology reporting services.

The HA Director (Quality and Safety), Dr Chung Kin-lai, remarked that the management had been mindful of the heavy workload faced by front-line clinicians and would explore the best possible means to support them. "We will actively explore and implement the measures to support our front-line clinicians to identify abnormalities in chest X-rays in a timely manner, without further aggravating their workload. Apart from formulating long-term strategy in radiology manpower planning, the HA will continue to recruit and retain staff, including the recruitment of non-locally trained doctors under Limited Registration to cope with service needs," Dr Chung said.

The HA also expressed its gratitude to the Chairman and Members of the Investigation Panel. Membership of the Panel is as follows:

Chairman:

Dr Wong Yiu-chung

Chief of Service, Department of Radiology and Nuclear Medicine,  
Tuen Mun Hospital and Pok Oi Hospital

Members:

1. Dr Kenny Yuen  
Chief of Service, Department of Surgery,  
Tseung Kwan O Hospital
2. Dr Lau Chu-leung  
Chief of Service, Department of Accident and Emergency,  
Tuen Mun Hospital, Pok Oi Hospital and Tin Shui Wai Hospital
3. Dr Johnny Chan  
Chief of Service, Department of Medicine,  
Queen Elizabeth Hospital
4. Dr Sin Ngai-chuen  
Chief Manager (Patient Safety and Risk Management),  
Hospital Authority

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## Special arrangements for Lunar New Year fireworks display

Police will implement special traffic arrangements and crowd safety



management measures on both sides of Victoria Harbour on February 6 (Wednesday) to facilitate the public to watch the Lunar New Year fireworks display.

Kowloon

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#### Crowd safety management measures in Tsim Sha Tsui

Police will implement crowd safety management measures in Yau Tsim District and Hung Hom Waterfront Promenade, including pedestrianising roads at Tsim Sha Tsui and Hung Hom Waterfront Promenade in phases.

Depending on the prevailing crowd situation, Police will implement safety measures within the pedestrianised area including the closure of pedestrian subways and putting up barriers. One-way flow will be applied on overcrowded footbridges and in the vicinity of the waterfront promenade. If necessary, restrictions on access to MTR stations will be put into force by the MTR Corporation.

The Hong Kong Cultural Centre Complex, the vicinity of the Clock Tower, and the Avenue of Stars are known to be popular gathering and vantage points. If these areas are saturated, the crowd will be diverted to other areas.

At present, there are some construction works at West Kowloon Cultural District and the Tsim Sha Tsui Promenade area. The contractors have erected hoardings and barriers to seal off the area concerned with relevant notices displayed. Members of the public are urged not to enter these construction sites nor climb or lean against the barriers.

Members of the public should follow the instructions given by Police officers and take heed of Police signage and broadcasts at scene.

#### Road closure and traffic diversions

##### A. Phase One (from 6pm onwards)

The following roads will be closed:

1. Hung Hom Bypass between Salisbury Road and Hung Hom Road;
2. Princess Margaret Road Link between Metropolis Drive and Hung Hom Bypass;
3. Westbound Salisbury Road between Cheong Wan Road and Kowloon Park Drive, as well as its elevated road;
4. Eastbound Salisbury Road between Kowloon Park Drive and Science Museum Road;
5. U-turn slip-road outside No.72 Mody Road leading from eastbound Salisbury Road to westbound Salisbury Road;
6. Mody Lane;
7. Hong Wan Path;
8. Canton Road between Kowloon Park Drive and Salisbury Road;
9. Kowloon Park Drive will be restricted for the use of franchised buses and



green minibuses (GMBs) only;

10. Salisbury Road between Star Ferry Pier and Kowloon Park Drive will be restricted for the use of franchised buses and GMBs only;

11. Ashley Road;

12. Hankow Road;

13. Lock Road;

14. Northbound Nathan Road between Bowring Street and Salisbury Road;

15. Southbound Nathan Road between Granville Road and Salisbury Road;

16. Carnarvon Road between Bristol Avenue and Granville Road;

17. Bristol Avenue;

18. Hanoi Road;

19. Hart Avenue;

20. Minden Row;

21. Blenheim Avenue;

22. Middle Road;

23. Hau Fook Street;

24. Cameron Lane;

25. Cameron Road;

26. Prat Avenue;

27. Humphreys Avenue;

28. Peking Road;

29. Haiphong Road;

30. Mody Road between Chatham Road South and Nathan Road;

31. Westbound Mody Road between Chatham Road South and Science Museum Road;

32. Minden Avenue;

33. Northbound Chatham Road South between Granville Road and Salisbury Road;

34. Southbound Chatham Road South between Mody Road and Salisbury Road;

35. Granville Road between Chatham Road South and Science Museum Road;

36. Granville Square;and

37. Ichang Street.

## B. Traffic diversions

The following traffic diversions will be implemented:

1. Traffic along southbound Hung Hom Road will be directed to Cheong Tung Road South roundabout via Hung Hom Bypass;

2. Traffic along eastbound Metropolis Drive cannot turn right to southbound Princess Margaret Road Link;

3. Traffic along southbound Princess Margaret Road Link will be diverted to turn right to westbound Metropolis Drive;

4. Traffic along eastbound Mody Road cannot enter Mody Lane;

5. Franchised buses along southbound Nathan Road will be diverted to turn right to either westbound Public Square Street or westbound Jordan Road;

6. Franchised buses along southbound Chatham Road South will be diverted to turn left to eastbound Granville Road;

7. Traffic along southbound Canton Road will be diverted to make a U-turn to northbound Canton Road outside China Hong Kong City;

8. Traffic along northbound Kowloon Park Drive cannot turn left to southbound Canton Road;

9. Granville Road between Nathan Road and Carnarvon Road will be re-routed to



one-way eastbound;

10. Traffic along southbound Nathan Road will be diverted to turn left to eastbound Granville Road;
11. Traffic along southbound Chatham Road South cannot turn right to westbound Cameron Road;
12. Traffic along southbound Chatham Road South will be diverted to turn left to eastbound Mody Road;
13. Traffic along Science Museum Road cannot turn to westbound Mody Road;
14. Traffic along Science Museum Road cannot turn to Granville Road;
15. Traffic along westbound Salisbury Road near Cheong Wan Road will be diverted to Tsim Sha Tsui East direction;
16. Granville Road between Chatham Road South and Science Museum Road will be re-routed to one way eastbound and restricted for the use of franchised buses and GMBs;
17. Traffic along southbound Chatham Road South cannot turn left to eastbound Granville Road, except for franchised buses and GMBs;
18. Traffic along eastbound Granville Road will be diverted to turn left to northbound Chatham Road South;
19. Traffic along eastbound Salisbury Road will be diverted to turn left to northbound Kowloon Park Drive; and
20. Traffic along northbound Kowloon Park Drive cannot turn right to Peking Road.

B. Phase Two (from 6.30pm onwards)

The following roads will be closed:

1. Kowloon Park Drive;
2. Salisbury Road between Canton Road and Kowloon Park Drive; and
3. Star Ferry Pier Bus Terminus.

All franchised buses and GMBs cannot enter southbound Kowloon Park Drive.

C. Phase Three (from 7pm onwards)

Kin Wan Street will be closed.

Traffic along Hung Luen Road cannot turn to Kin Wan Street.

D. Phase Four (from 8pm onwards)

The following roads will be closed:

1. Northbound Nathan Road between Jordan Road and Bowring Street;
2. Southbound Nathan Road between Jordan Road and Granville Road;
3. Pine Tree Hill Road;
4. Carnarvon Road between Kimberley Road and Granville Road;
5. Shun Yee Street;
6. Granville Circuit;
7. Northbound Chatham Road South between Observatory Road and Granville Road;
8. Bowring Street between Pilkem Street and Nathan Road;
9. Tak Shing Street between Nathan Road and Tak Hing Street;



10. Hillwood Road;
11. Kimberley Road between Nathan Road and Observatory Road;
12. Kimberley Street;
13. Granville Road between Nathan Road and Chatham Road South;
14. Southbound Chatham Road South between Cheong Wan Road and Mody Road, except for franchised buses and GMBs;
15. Eastbound Mody Road between Chatham Road South and Science Museum Road; and
16. Mody Square.

The following traffic diversions will be implemented:

1. Traffic along southbound Nathan Road will be diverted to turn right to westbound Jordan Road;
2. Traffic along westbound Jordan Road cannot turn left to southbound Nathan Road;
3. Traffic along westbound Austin Road and southbound Cox's Road cannot turn to Pine Tree Hill Road;
4. Traffic along Observatory Road cannot turn to westbound Kimberley Street;
5. Traffic along westbound Cheong Wan Road cannot turn left to southbound Chatham Road South;
6. Traffic along southbound Chatham Road South will be diverted to westbound Austin Road or eastbound Cheong Wan Road;
7. Traffic along northbound Pilkem Street cannot turn right to eastbound Bowring Street; and
8. Traffic along eastbound Bowring Street will be diverted to northbound Pilkem Street.

Depending on the crowd situation, the following road closure and traffic diversions may be implemented when necessary:

The following roads will be closed:

1. Hung Luen Road between Wa Shun Street and Hung Lok Road; and
2. Oi King Street.

The following traffic diversions will be implemented:

1. Traffic along westbound Hung Luen Road will be diverted to turn left to Wa Shun Street;
2. Traffic along Wa Shun Street will be diverted to turn right to eastbound Hung Luen Road;
3. Traffic along southbound Hung Lok Road cannot turn left to eastbound Hung Luen Road; and
4. Traffic along eastbound Hung Luen Road will be diverted to turn left to northbound Hung Lok Road.

#### E. Hotel access

Vehicular access to and from hotels within the affected area will not be permitted during the road closure period. Vehicles bearing a hotel logo will only be allowed to drop off passengers at the following locations before the



road closure implementation:

1. The junction of Canton Road and Kowloon Park Drive; and
2. The junction of Chatham Road South and Mody Road.

F. Suspension of car parks

Car parks within the affected area will be closed during the road closure period.

G. Suspension of parking spaces

All on-street parking spaces in the southern area of Tsim Sha Tsui (i.e. south of Austin Road and Cheong Wan Road) will be suspended from 3pm to 3am the following day.

Hong Kong Island

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A. Road closure and traffic diversions before the display

From 1pm to 11pm:

Central

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The slip road leading from Garden Road to the office of World Wide Fund for Nature Hong Kong outside Peak Tram Lower Terminal will be closed, except for franchised buses.

From 6.30pm onwards:

Central

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The following roads will be closed:

1. Man Kwong Street;
2. Man Fai Street;
3. Yiu Sing Street;
4. Eastbound Lung Wo Road;
5. Lung Wui Road;
6. D11 Road;
7. Eastern section of northbound Edinburgh Place;
8. Westbound Lung Wo Road between Road D11 and southbound Legislative Council Road;
9. Westbound Lung Wo Road between Edinburgh Place and Man Yiu Street;
10. Southbound Legislative Council Road;
11. Star Ferry Concourse;
12. Loading and unloading areas outside Central Ferry Piers 7, 8 and 9; and
13. Man Yiu Street between Man Kwong Street and Man Po Street.

Rumsey Street between Connaught Road central and Chung Kong Road will be



re-routed to one-way northbound.

### Central – Wan Chai Bypass

Slip road 1 of eastbound Central – Wan Chai Bypass will be closed (Wan Chai North Exit).

Slip road 2 of eastbound Central – Wan Chai Bypass will be closed (Wan Chai North Entrance).

Traffic along slip road 3 of westbound Central – Wan Chai Bypass will be diverted to northbound Lung King Street.

### Wan Chai North

The following roads will be closed:

1. Eastbound Fenwick Pier Street;
2. Lung King Street;
3. Eastbound Harbour Road between Fenwick Street and Tonnochy Road;
4. Expo Drive;
5. Expo Drive Central;
6. Expo Drive East;
7. Road P2;
8. Road A5;
9. Road A2;
10. Convention Avenue;
11. Fleming Road flyover;
12. Fleming Road between Convention Avenue and Harbour Road;
13. Tonnochy Road between eastbound Harbour Road and Hung Hing Road;
14. Eastbound Hung Hing Road between Tonnochy Road and Marsh Road;
15. The access road on eastbound Victoria Park Road near Causeway Bay Promenade.
16. If necessary, Marsh Road between Gloucester Road and Hung Hing Road;
17. If necessary, Marsh Road flyover;
18. If necessary, Hung Hing Road;
19. If necessary, Hung Hing Road flyover;
20. If necessary, Wan Shing Street; and
21. If necessary, Wan Ying Street.

From 7pm onwards:

### Peak area

1. The section of Stubbs Road beyond Stubbs Road roundabout will be closed to all goods vehicles with gross weight exceeding 5.5 tonnes;
2. All uphill traffic along Peak Road towards Harlech Road, Lugard Road and Mount Austin Road will be diverted downhill via the slip road beside the car park entrance at the Peak Galleria, except for local residents' vehicles or vehicles with permits;



3. Lay-bys along Stubbs Road between Peak Road and Stubbs Road roundabout, and Magazine Gap Road between Peak Road and May Road will be suspended;
4. Northbound Peak Road beyond the car park entrance at the Peak Galleria will be closed, except for local residents' vehicles; and
5. Barker Road will be closed, except for local residents' vehicles.

From 7.45pm onwards:

#### Wan Chai North

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The following roads will be closed:

1. Tonnochy Road flyover;
2. Northbound Tonnochy Road between Gloucester Road and Harbour Road;
3. Westbound Harbour Road;
4. Fleming Road between Gloucester Road and Harbour Road;
5. Fenwick Street between Gloucester Road and Harbour Road;
6. Harbour Drive; and
7. Northbound Tonnochy Road between eastbound Harbour Road and Gloucester Road.

#### B. Road closure and traffic diversions during the display

From 7.55pm onwards:

#### Eastern District

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1. Westbound Central- Wan Chai Bypass will be closed, except for franchised buses;
2. Traffic on westbound Island Eastern Corridor between Victoria Park Road and Man Hong Street will be diverted, except for franchised buses;
3. Traffic along westbound Island Eastern Corridor will be diverted to Man Hong Street; and
4. Slip roads leading to westbound Island Eastern Corridor from Healthy Street Central and Tong Shui Road will be closed.

#### Central

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The following roads will be closed:

1. Northbound Man Yiu Street between Man Cheung Street and southbound Man Po Street;
2. Eastern section of southbound Edinburgh Place;
3. Westbound Lung Wo Road between Edinburgh Place and Legislative Council Road, except for vehicles heading to Legislative Council Complex, Central Government Offices (CGO) and Chinese people's Liberation Army Forces Hong Kong Building;
4. Tim Wa Road, except for vehicles heading to Legislative Council Complex, CGO and Chinese people's Liberation Army Forces Hong Kong Building;
5. Tim Mei Avenue, except for vehicles heading to Legislative Council



- Complex, CGO and Chinese people's Liberation Army Forces Hong Kong Building;
6. Northbound Legislative Council Road, except for vehicles heading to Legislative Council Complex, CGO and Chinese people's Liberation Army Forces Hong Kong Building;
  7. Performing Arts Avenue, except for vehicles heading to Citic Tower; and
  8. The unnamed road outside ex-Hong Kong Red Cross Headquarters.

Traffic along eastbound Connaught Road West flyover will be diverted to eastbound Central – Wan Chai Bypass to North Point bound.

#### C. Road closure after the fireworks display

##### Wan Chai South

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To facilitate the dispersal of the crowd after the fireworks display, the following roads will be closed 10 minutes before the completion of the display:

1. Fleming Road between Gloucester Road and Hennessy Road;
  2. Lockhart Road between Percival Street and Luard Road;
  3. Jaffe Road between Percival Street and Luard Road;
  4. Stewart Road;
  5. O'Brien Road;
  6. Tonnochy Road between Gloucester Road and Hennessy Road;
  7. Marsh Road between Gloucester Road and Hennessy Road;
  8. Canal Road West between Gloucester Road and Hennessy Road;
  9. Canal Road East between Gloucester Road and Hennessy Road;
  10. Southbound Luard Road between Gloucester Road and Jaffe Road;
  11. If necessary, Percival Street between Lockhart Road and Gloucester Road;
- and
12. If necessary, westbound Gloucester Road service road between Percival Street and Canal Road East.

#### D. Suspension of parking spaces

All parking spaces on the slip road outside Peak Tram Lower Terminal will be suspended from 1pm to 11pm.

All metered parking spaces at Victoria Peak Garden and Mount Austin Road will be suspended from 6pm to 11pm.

All parking spaces on the roads will be suspended from 4pm to 11pm:

1. Man Kwong Street;
2. Lung Wo Road;
3. Lung King Street;
4. Hung Hing Road;
5. Expo Drive East;
6. Road A2;
7. Lung Wui Road;
8. Gloucester Road service road;
9. Stewart Road between Jaffe Road and Gloucester Road service road;



10. Marsh Road between Hennessy Road and Lockhart Road;
11. Jaffe Road between Percival Street and Luard Road; and
12. Lockhart Road between Percival Street and Luard Road.

#### E. Suspension of car parks

If necessary, car parks on westbound Gloucester Road between Paterson Street and Percival Street will be closed at short notice.

Vehicles will not be permitted to access or leave car parks along the closed roads during the road closure period.

Police will continue traffic enforcement action during the Lunar New Year period, including issuing fixed penalty tickets and towing away illegally parked vehicles without prior warning.

Actual implementation of the crowd safety management measures and traffic arrangements will be made depending on traffic and crowd conditions in the areas. Members of the public are advised to exercise tolerance and patience and take heed of instructions of the Police on site.

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## [CE meets Mayor of Seoul, Korea \(with photo\)](#)

The Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, met with the Mayor of Seoul, Korea, Mr Park Won-soon, at Government House this afternoon (February 1). The Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Mr Edward Yau, was also present.

Welcoming Mr Park's visit to Hong Kong, Mrs Lam said she was very pleased to meet him again in Hong Kong. She said she visited Seoul some seven years ago as Secretary for Development and was impressed by the city's infrastructure developments, urban planning and heritage conservation, in particular the two successful river restoration projects in Seoul, namely the restoration of Cheonggyecheon River and the Hangang Renaissance Project, which served as valuable reference in her subsequent promotion of urban renewal and waterfront development initiatives in Hong Kong.

Mrs Lam noted that Hong Kong and Korea have close ties, with continuous economic and trade co-operation and people-to-people exchanges, adding that Korean popular culture appeals to many Hong Kong people. She said that Hong Kong has been committed to developing cultural and creative industries in recent years and a number of cultural facilities popular with both local residents and visitors have been launched, including the Xiqu Centre in the West Kowloon Cultural District and the Blue House Cluster, which won the Award of Excellence in the UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage



Conservation. Mr Park has visited both places during his stay in Hong Kong. Holding the belief that there is room for more economic and trade and cultural co-operation between Hong Kong and Korea, Mrs Lam expressed the hope that an Economic and Trade Office would be set up in Seoul as soon as possible to foster further exchanges between the two places in various areas.

