

Early closure of Smart Identity Card Replacement Centres

The Immigration Department (ImmD) announced today (November 15) that as public transport services and some major traffic lines have been seriously affected, all nine Smart Identity Card Replacement Centres (SIDCCs) of the ImmD will be closed at 7pm. Members of the public who have appointments for today may proceed to the SIDCCs at an earlier time today or on later days for identity card replacements and they need not make another appointment. Subject to the actual circumstances of various districts, individual Replacement Centres may close earlier at any time. Before proceeding to Replacement Centres, applicants are advised to browse the latest Government press release, or to call the Replacement Centres during working hours.

| Replacement Centre | Address | Telephone |
|--|--|-----------|
| 1. Hong Kong Island Smart Identity Card Replacement Centre | Room 200, 2/F, Shui On Centre, 6-8 Harbour Road, Wan Chai | 3521 1688 |
| 2. East Kowloon Smart Identity Card Replacement Centre | Unit 1, 2/F, Manulife Financial Centre and Unit 1B, 3/F, Manulife Financial Centre, Tower A, 223-231 Wai Yip Street, Kwun Tong | 3150 8288 |
| 3. West Kowloon Smart Identity Card Replacement Centre | 12/F, Gala Place, 56 Dundas Street, Mong Kok | 3520 4100 |
| 4. Tsuen Wan Smart Identity Card Replacement Centre | Shop S201, 2/F, Smartland, 50 Texaco Road, Tsuen Wan | 3150 8308 |
| 5. Sha Tin Smart Identity Card Replacement Centre | Shop G26, G/F & Shop 123, 1/F, Kings Wing Plaza 1, 3 On Kwan Street, Sha Tin | 3150 8500 |
| 6. Sheung Shui Smart Identity Card Replacement Centre | 7/F, Spot, 48 Lung Sum Avenue, Sheung Shui | 3150 8600 |
| 7. Tuen Mun Smart Identity Card Replacement Centre | Shop L414B, Level 4, Leung King Plaza, Leung King Estate, 31 Tin King Road, Tuen Mun | 3150 8668 |
| 8. Yuen Long Smart Identity Card Replacement Centre | Shop 50, G/F, Manhattan Plaza, 23 Sai Ching Street, Yuen Long | 3150 8618 |
| 9. Tseung Kwan O Smart Identity Card Replacement Centre | Shop 20-26, G/F, Corinthia by the Sea, 23 Tong Yin Street, Tseung Kwan O, Sai Kung | 3150 8690 |

Effective Exchange Rate Index

The effective exchange rate index for the Hong Kong dollar on Friday, November 15, 2019 is 106.1 (down 0.2 against yesterday's index).

Auctions for Lunar New Year fair stalls in New Territories to start next Tuesday

The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) today (November 15) reminded interested parties to join auctions which will start next Tuesday (November 19) for stalls at the 2020 Lunar New Year (LNY) fairs in the New Territories.

The nine LNY fairs will be held at Yuen Wo Playground in Sha Tin, Tin Hau Temple Fung Shui Square in Tai Po, Tung Tau Industrial Area Playground in Yuen Long, Kwai Chung Sports Ground in Kwai Tsing, Sha Tsui Road Playground in Tsuen Wan, Tin Hau Temple Plaza in Tuen Mun, Shek Wu Hui Playground in North District, Man Yee Playground in Sai Kung and Po Hong Park in Tseung Kwan O, with a total of 711 wet goods stalls and seven fast food stalls. The auctions are scheduled from 9.30am until completion of the auction between the period of November 19 and December 9.

Details of the auction date, venue, number of stalls and opening prices are as follows:

Yuen Wo Playground (Sha Tin)

Auction date: November 19 (Tuesday)
Auction venue: Wo Che Community Hall, Sha Tin
Number of stalls: Wet goods (72)
Opening price: \$2,990

Tin Hau Temple Fung Shui Square (Tai Po)

Auction date: November 21 (Thursday)
Auction venue: Assembly Hall, G/F, Tai Wo Neighbourhood Community Centre, Tai Wo Estate, Tai Po
Number of stalls: Wet goods (50) and fast food (2)
Opening prices:

Wet goods: \$1,900

Fast food: \$4,570 (Stall size: 5m x 4m)

Tung Tau Industrial Area Playground (Yuen Long)

Auction date: November 27 (Wednesday)

Auction venue: Yuen Long Town East Community Hall

Number of stalls: Wet goods (108) and fast food (2)

Opening prices:

Wet goods: \$590

Fast food: \$4,570 (Stall size: 5m x 4m)

Kwai Chung Sports Ground (Kwai Tsing)

Auction date: November 28 (Thursday)

Auction venue: Assembly Hall, Lai Chi Kok Government Offices

Number of stalls: Wet goods (98)

Opening price: \$410

Sha Tsui Road Playground (Tsuen Wan)

Auction date: November 29 (Friday)

Auction venue: Assembly Hall, Lai Chi Kok Government Offices

Number of stalls: Wet goods (154)

Opening price: \$1,480

Tin Hau Temple Plaza (Tuen Mun)

Auction date: December 4 (Wednesday)

Auction venue: Tseng Choi Street Community Hall, Tuen Mun

Number of stalls: Wet goods (71) and fast food (1)

Opening prices:

Wet goods: \$1,250

Fast food: \$4,570 (Stall size: 7.6m x 4.8m)

Shek Wu Hui Playground (North District)

Auction date: December 5 (Thursday)

Auction venue: Luen Wo Hui Community Hall, Fanling

Number of stalls: Wet goods (84)

Opening price: \$600

Man Yee Playground (Sai Kung)

Auction date: December 9 (Monday)

Auction venue: Hang Hau Community Hall, Sai Kung

Number of stalls: Wet goods (20)

Opening price: \$320

Po Hong Park (Tseung Kwan O)

Auction date: December 9 (Monday)
Auction venue: Hang Hau Community Hall, Sai Kung
Number of stalls: Wet goods (54) and fast food (2)
Opening prices:
Wet goods: \$700
Fast food: \$3,810 (Stall size: 5m x 4m)

Bidders for LNY fair stalls must be at least 18 years old and ordinarily resident in Hong Kong. Anyone can bid for more than one stall. A bidder must pay the bid price and register in person with his or her own name as the licensee of the stall immediately after successfully bidding for a stall. The bidder is also required to sign at once a licence agreement with the FEHD, or will forfeit the rights to operate the stall.

The Government may without cause postpone the commencement date and shorten the duration of the licensed period (including the duration for setting up stalls and business period of the fair), or suspend or cancel the LNY fair in whole or in part. The bidding price (licence fee) paid will be refunded to the affected licensee on a pro-rata basis without interest. The licensee and his employees or agents must vacate the licenced area no later than the time specified by the Government verbally (by way of press release, public announcement or other similar communications) or in writing.

The FEHD reminded licensees that the stalls are solely for the purpose of selling and promoting the sale of the permitted commodities or fast food, and no other activities are allowed in the licenced area. If the FEHD considers that any activity conducted by the licensee to publicise, promote, display, show or sell any permitted commodities in the venue is unlawful, immoral or incompatible with the object of the LNY fair, the FEHD is entitled to direct the licensee to stop conducting such activity and the licensee must immediately comply with such direction.

Successful bidders shall comply with all the stipulations and provisions as set out in the licence agreement. Otherwise, the department is entitled to terminate the agreement and the licensee shall immediately vacate the stall.

Details of the 2020 LNY fairs such as the public notice, the locations and layouts of the fair venues, commodities allowed for sale at the fair stalls, open auction arrangements and related rules, and a sample of the licence agreement are available at the FEHD website (www.fehd.gov.hk). For enquiries, please call the FEHD hotline at 2868 0000.

[Early closure of methadone clinics](#)

today

Taking into consideration transportation service disruptions, and to ensure the safety of patients and staff members, the Department of Health today (November 15) announced that its methadone clinics with evening services will be closed earlier at 8pm today.

Please visit the following website for the information of methadone clinics: www.dh.gov.hk/english/tele/tele_chc/tele_chc_mc.html.

Wounding case in Sheung Shui reclassified as murder

Police today (November 15) reclassified a wounding case in Sheung Shui on November 13 as murder.

At noon on November 13, Police received a report from a passerby that a man was assaulted by someone with bricks outside 2 Lung Wan Street, Sheung Shui.

Police officers sped to the scene and found the 70-year-old man sustaining head injuries. The man was rushed to North District Hospital in unconscious state and later referred to Prince of Wales Hospital for treatment. The man was certified dead at 10.51pm yesterday (November 14).

Post-mortem examinations will be conducted on the deceased to ascertain the cause of death.

Active investigation by the Regional Crime Unit of New Territories North is underway.