

Missing man in Kwai Chung located

A man who went missing in Kwai Chung has been located.

Wu Hoi-sing, aged 70, went missing after he left his caring home on Lei Muk Road on May 23 morning. Staff of the caring home then made a report to Police.

The man was located on Ping Lai Path, Kwai Chung, in the small hours today (May 24). He sustained no injuries and no suspicious circumstances were detected.

Red flag hoisted at Silverstrand 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 (May 24) that due to big waves, the red flag has been hoisted at Silverstrand Beach in Sai Kung District. Beachgoers are advised not to swim at the beach.

Territory-wide flag day today

Hong Kong Red Cross has been issued a Public Subscription Permit to hold a territory-wide flag sale from 7am to 12.30pm today (May 24), a spokesman for the Social Welfare Department (SWD) said.

Details of the charitable fund-raising activities, including any updated information, covered by the issued Public Subscription Permits have been published on the GovHK website (www.gov.hk/en/theme/fundraising/search). Permits for flag days containing information on contact methods of the flag-selling organisations and the approved flag-selling activities have also been uploaded to the SWD's website (www.swd.gov.hk/en/ngo/controlofc/flagdays) for reference. For enquiries, please call the SWD's hotline at 2343 2255, or the designated hotline of the 1823 Call Centre at 3142 2678.

In the case of suspected fraudulent flag day activities, people should

not make any donation and should immediately report the matter to the Police, the spokesman added.

Special announcement on fire in Ta Kwu Ling

Attention TV and radio duty announcers:

Please broadcast the following special announcement as soon as possible, and repeat it at suitable intervals:

Fire broke out at a tin-sheeted warehouse storing a large amount of plastic waste, in Nga Yiu Ha Village, Ta Kwu Ling, at 4.54pm today (May 23). The Fire Services Department is conducting a firefighting operation.

Members of the public who are being affected by the smoke and an unusual odour carried by the wind are advised to close their doors and windows and stay calm.

DH investigates illegal online sale of slimming product containing banned and controlled drug ingredients (with photo)

â€‹The Department of Health (DH) today (May 23) is investigating a case of illegal sale of a slimming product containing banned and undeclared controlled drug ingredients on the Internet. Members of the public are urged not to buy or consume the product concerned (see photo).

Acting upon intelligence, the DH purchased a slimming product from a social media platform for analysis. Laboratory test results revealed that the sample of the product contained sibutramine and frusemide, which are Part 1 poisons under the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance (Cap. 138) (PP0).

Sibutramine was once used as an appetite suppressant. Since November 2010, pharmaceutical products containing sibutramine have been banned for use and sale in Hong Kong due to an increased cardiovascular risk. Frusemide is

used for the treatment of heart diseases, and its side effects include low blood pressure and electrolyte imbalance. Medicines containing frusemide should be used under a doctor's direction and be supplied on the premises of an Authorized Seller of Poisons (i.e. pharmacy) under the supervision of a registered pharmacist upon a doctor's prescription.

The package of the product is labelled with the words "Good health is over wealth" but did not have a product name. It is suspected to be an unregistered pharmaceutical product. The DH will continue to follow up and investigate the case.

According to the PPO, all pharmaceutical products must be registered with the Pharmacy and Poisons Board of Hong Kong before they can be sold in the market. Illegal sale or possession of unregistered pharmaceutical products or Part 1 poisons are criminal offences. The maximum penalty for each offence upon conviction is a fine of \$100,000 and two years' imprisonment.

The DH strongly urged members of the public not to buy or consume products of doubtful composition or from unknown sources. All registered pharmaceutical products should carry a Hong Kong registration number on the package in the format of "HK-XXXXX". The safety, quality and efficacy of unregistered pharmaceutical products are not guaranteed.

People who have purchased the products concerned should stop consuming them immediately and consult healthcare professionals if in doubt or if they feel unwell after consumption. They may submit the products to the Drug Office of the DH at Room 1804-06, 18/F, Wing On Kowloon Centre, 345 Nathan Road, Kowloon, during office hours for disposal.

Weight control should be achieved through a balanced diet and appropriate exercise. The public should consult healthcare professionals before consuming any medication for weight control. They may visit the website of the Drug Office of the DH for "[Health message on overweight problem and slimming products](#)" and "[Slimming products with undeclared Western drug ingredients](#)" for information.

