## <u>Lifesaving services at Lo So Shing</u> Beach resume

Attention TV/Radio Announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible and repeat it at regular intervals:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department has announced that the lifesaving services at Lo So Shing Beach in Islands District resumed today (April 27). The lifesaving services at the beach were suspended earlier due to an insufficient number of lifeguards on duty.

# Key statistics on service demand of A&E Departments and occupancy rates in public hospitals

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

During the service demand surge, the Hospital Authority is closely monitoring the service demand of Accident and Emergency Departments and the occupancy rate in public hospitals. Key service statistics are being issued daily for public information. Details are in the appended table.

## Red flags hoisted at Cheung Chau Tung Wan Beach and 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 (April 27)

that due to big waves, red flags have been hoisted at Cheung Chau Tung Wan Beach in Islands District; and Silverstrand Beach in Sai Kung District. Beach-goers are advised not to swim at these beaches.

#### Red flags hoisted at several beaches

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 (April 27) that due to big waves, red flags have been hoisted at Stanley Main Beach, Turtle Cove Beach, Shek O Beach and Big Wave Bay Beach in Southern District, Hong Kong Island; and Clear Water Bay First Beach and Clear Water Bay Second Beach in Sai Kung District. Beach-goers are advised not to swim at these beaches.

#### Territory-wide flag day today

The Dharmasthiti Group has been issued a Public Subscription Permit to hold a territory-wide flag sale from 7am to 12.30pm today (April 27), a spokesman for the Social Welfare Department (SWD) said.

For enquiries, please call the SWD's hotline at 2343 2255, or the designated hotline of the 1823 Call Centre at 3142 2678. Information on flag days is available at the SWD's website

(<a href="www.swd.gov.hk/en/index/site\_whatsnew">www.swd.gov.hk/en/index/site\_whatsnew</a>) and the GovHK portal (<a href="www.gov.hk/en/theme/fundraising/search">www.gov.hk/en/theme/fundraising/search</a>). Permits for flag days containing contact information of the flag-selling organisations and information on the approved flag-selling activities have also been uploaded to the SWD's website (<a href="www.swd.gov.hk/en/index/site\_pubsvc/page\_controlofc/sub\_recentlyap">www.swd.gov.hk/en/index/site\_pubsvc/page\_controlofc/sub\_recentlyap</a>). For enquiries about the detailed flag-selling arrangements, please contact the individual flag-selling organisations.

Details of the charitable fund-raising activities covered by the Public Subscription Permit issued by the SWD have also been uploaded to the GovHK website (<a href="www.gov.hk/fundraising">www.gov.hk/fundraising</a>).

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.