<u>CAS starts mountain search and rescue</u> <u>standards check and mountain casualty</u> <u>handling training (with photos)</u>

The Mountain Search and Rescue (MSaR) Company of the Civil Aid Service (CAS) has been undergoing a standards check and mountain casualty handling training by MSaR experts from the United Kingdom for about two weeks since November 23. The checks and training aim to assess the search and rescue techniques, the use of MSaR equipment as well as the operational proficiency and efficiency of the members of the MSaR Company to ensure a high standard of service by the Company.

The experts also inspected the personal MSaR technique, team rescue technique as well as MSaR operational procedures and effectiveness of the CAS MSaR personnel at Beacon Hill and Lei Yue Mun (Old Quarry, Sam Ka Tsuen) in Kowloon and Tsing Lung Tau in the New Territories during November 25 to 27. The experts considered that the technical performance of CAS MSaR personnel, including the use of new equipment for abseiling, stretcher lowering technique, cliff rescue and MSaR operational deployment reaches the professional standard.

The experts will also share their knowledge and experience on mountain casualty handling, MSaR training skills and the latest MSaR techniques with the CAS personnel. The checks and training will end on December 5.

The video of the MSaR standards checking has been uploaded to CAS Facebook page (<u>www.facebook.com/CASinAction/?ref=page_internal</u>).





