# <u>Crowd safety management measures and</u> <u>special traffic arrangements for Lunar</u> <u>New Year fireworks display</u>

Police will implement crowd safety management measures and special traffic arrangements on both sides of Victoria Harbour on February 11 (Sunday) to facilitate the public to watch the Lunar New Year fireworks display.

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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, 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. 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.

Special traffic arrangements

The following special traffic arrangements will be implemented by phases, until the crowd has dispersed and the roads are safe for re-opening:

A. Road closure

The following roads will be closed, except for vehicles with permit:

Phase I (from 5pm onwards)

- Salisbury Road and Salisbury Road Underpass between Cheong Wan Road and Kowloon Park Drive;
- Hung Hom Bypass between Salisbury Road and Metropolis Drive;
- Hung Hom Bypass between Salisbury Road and Hung Lok Road;
- Chatham Road South between Granville Road and Salisbury Road;
- Southbound Chatham Road South between Cheong Wan Road and Granville Road,
  except for franchised buses and green minibuses (GMBs);
- Granville Road between Chatham Road South and Science Museum Road, except for franchised buses and GMBs;
- Canton Road between Salisbury Road and Gateway Boulevard;
- Southbound Kowloon Park Drive between Salisbury Road and Gateway Boulevard;
- Northbound Nathan Road between Austin Road and Salisbury Road;
- Southbound Nathan Road between Granville Road and Salisbury Road;
- Carnarvon Road between Granville Road and Nathan Road;
- Hong Wan Path;
- Mody Lane;
- Mody Road;
- Mody Square;
- Granville Square;
- Minden Row;
- Hanoi Road;
- Bristol Avenue;
- Hart Avenue;
- Prat Avenue;
- Humphreys Avenue;
- Cameron Road;
- Cameron Lane;
- Hau Fook Street;
- Middle Road;
- Peking Road;
- Lock Road;
- Hankow Road;
- Ashley Road;
- Ichang Street;
- Haiphong Road;
- The slip road of Austin Road West at-grade eastbound leading to westbound Austin Road West near The Harbourside;
- The slip road of Austin Road West at-grade westbound leading to eastbound Austin Road West near the Xigu Centre; and
- The left lane of westbound Austin Road West leading to Austin Road West roundabout.

Phase II (from 5.30pm onwards)

- Salisbury Road between Canton Road and Kowloon Park Drive; and
- Northbound Kowloon Park Drive between Salisbury Road and Gateway Boulevard.

## Phase III (from 6pm onwards)

- Museum Drive; and
- Cultural Drive.

# Phase IV (from 7.45pm onwards)

- Nga Cheung Road between Jordan Road and Austin Road West;
- Canton Road between Austin Road West and Kowloon Park Drive;
- Nathan Road between Austin Road and Jordan Road;
- Bowring Street between Pilkem Street and Nathan Road;
- Tak Shing Street between Nathan Road and Tak Hing Street;
- Southbound Nathan Road between Austin Road and Granville Road;
- Northbound Chatham Road South between Granville Road and Observatory Road;
- Pine Tree Hill Road;
- Hillwood Road;
- Kimberley Road;
- Granville Circuit;
- Carnarvon Road between Kimberley Road and Granville Road;
- Kimberley Street;
- Shun Yee Street; and
- Granville Road between Nathan Road and Chatham Road South.

# Contingency plan

Depending on crowd conditions, the following roads may be closed:

- Hung Luen Road between Wa Shun Street and Hung Lok Road;
- Oi King Street; and
- Kin Wan Street.

## B. Traffic diversions

In connection with the road closure as mentioned above, the following traffic diversions will be implemented:

# Phase I (from 5pm onwards)

- Traffic along southbound Hung Hom Road will be diverted via Hung Hom Bypass to Cheong Tung Road South roundabout;
- Traffic along eastbound Metropolis Drive cannot turn right to southbound Hung Hom Bypass;
- Traffic along southbound Hung Hom Bypass must turn right to westbound Metropolis Drive;
- Franchised buses along southbound Nathan Road must turn right to westbound
  Public Square Street or westbound Jordan Road;
- Franchised buses and GMBs along southbound Chatham Road South must turn left to eastbound Granville Road;
- Traffic along southbound Canton Road must make a u-turn to northbound Canton Road outside China Hong Kong City;
- Traffic along northbound Kowloon Park Drive cannot turn left to southbound

## Canton Road;

- Traffic along Granville Road between Nathan Road and Carnarvon Road will be re-routed one-way eastbound;
- Traffic along southbound Nathan Road must turn left to eastbound Granville Road;
- Traffic along Science Museum Road cannot turn to Mody Road and Granville Road:
- Traffic along southbound Salisbury Road near Hong Chong Road will be diverted to Tsim Sha Tsui East direction;
- Traffic along westbound Jordan Road cannot turn left to southbound Canton Road;
- Traffic along eastbound Granville Road near Chatham Road South must turn left to northbound Chatham Road South;
- Traffic along eastbound Salisbury Road must turn left to northbound Kowloon Park Drive;
- Traffic along northbound Kowloon Park Drive cannot turn right to Peking Road;
- Traffic along westbound Cheong Wan Road leading to Chatham Road South must turn right to northbound Chatham Road South or directed to westbound Austin Road, except for franchised buses and GMBs;
- Traffic along westbound Austin Road West cannot turn to the slip road of Austin Road West: and
- Traffic along eastbound Austin Road West cannot turn to the slip road of Austin Road West.

## Phase II (from 6pm onwards)

Traffic along southbound Nga Cheung Road entering Austin Road West roundabout must turn left to westbound Austin Road West or make a u-turn to northbound Nga Cheung Road.

## Phase III (from 7.45pm onwards)

- Traffic along southbound Nathan Road must turn right to westbound Jordan Road;
- Traffic along westbound Jordan Road cannot turn left to southbound Nathan Road:
- Traffic along westbound Austin Road and southbound Cox's Road cannot turn to Pine Tree Hill Road;
- Traffic along Observatory Road cannot turn left to westbound Kimberley Street:
- Traffic along northbound Pilkem Street cannot turn right to eastbound Bowring Street;
- Traffic along eastbound Bowring Street must be directed to northbound Pilkem Street;
- Traffic along westbound Austin Road West must be directed to the elevated road of northbound Nga Cheung Road;
- Traffic along southbound Canton Road must turn to eastbound Austin Road or westbound Austin Road West;
- Traffic along eastbound Austin Road West cannot turn right to southbound Canton Road;

Traffic along westbound Jordan Road heading to Nga Cheung Road must be directed to the Kowloon Station Public Transport Interchange; and
 Traffic along southbound Nga Cheung Road must turn left to eastbound Austin Road West.

## Contingency plan

Depending on crowd conditions, the following traffic diversions may be implemented:

- Traffic along southbound Hung Luen Road must turn left to eastbound Wa Shun Street:
- Traffic along westbound Wa Shun Street must turn right to eastbound Hung Luen Road;
- Traffic along southbound Hung Lok Road cannot turn left to eastbound Hung Luen Road; and
- Traffic along eastbound Hung Luen Road must turn left to northbound Hung Lok Road.

# C. Suspension of on-street parking spaces

All on-street parking spaces within the above closed road area in Tsim Sha Tsui and Hung Hom will be suspended from noon to 3am of the following day.

## D. Suspension of car parks

Vehicles parked in all car parks within the closed road area in Tsim Sha Tsui and West Kowloon Cultural District cannot enter or leave the carparks from about 5pm and 6pm respectively, until the roads are safe for re-opening.

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The following special traffic arrangements will be implemented by phases, until the crowd has dispersed and the roads are safe for re-opening:

#### A. Road closure

Phase I (Before the fireworks display)

## Central District

Tramway Lane outside Lower Peak Tram Station leading from Garden Road to the office of World Wild Fund for Nature Hong Kong will be closed from 9am to 10pm, except for franchised buses.

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Expo Drive East at the north of Expo Drive outside Golden Bauhinia Square including the pick-up/drop-off areas will be closed from 3pm to 9.30pm.

The following roads will be closed from 5.30pm:

## Central District

- Man Kwong Street;
- Man Fai Street;
- Man Yiu Street between Man Kwong Street and Man Po Street;
- Loading and unloading area outside Central Ferry Piers 7, 8 and 9; and
- Unnamed Road near Lung Wo Road outside General Post Office metered parking spaces.

## Central - Wan Chai Bypass

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- The slip road linking eastbound Central Wan Chai Bypass to Expo Drive;
- The slip road linking Lung Wo Road to eastbound Central Wan Chai Bypass;
  and
- The slip road linking westbound Central Wan Chai Bypass to Lung Wo Road.

## Wan Chai North

- Eastbound Fenwick Pier Street;

- Lung King Street;
- Eastbound Harbour Road;
- Expo Drive;
- Expo Drive Central;
- Expo Drive East;
- Eastbound Lung Wo Road between Edinburgh Place and Fleming Road;
- Westbound Lung Wo Road between Legislative Council Road and Fleming Road;
- Southbound and northbound Lung Hop Street;
- Lung Tat Path;
- Convention Avenue;
- Fleming Road Flyover;
- Fleming Road between Expo Drive and Harbour Road;
- Northbound Tonnochy Road between eastbound Harbour Road and Hung Hing Road;
- Southbound Tonnochy Road between Hung Hing Road and Gloucester Road;
- Marsh Road between Gloucester Road and Hung Hing Road;
- Marsh Road Flyover;
- Marsh Road between Hennessy Road and Gloucester Road;
- Marsh Road between northbound and southbound Lockhart Road and Jaffe Road;
- Hung Hing Road;
- Hung Hing Road Flyover;
- Wan Shing Street;
- Wan Ying Street;
- The entrance on eastbound Victoria Park Road to Causeway Bay Promenade; and

 The second left lane of northbound Tin Lok Lane between Hennessy Road and Wan Chai Road.

## Peak area

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- Northbound Peak Road beyond the car park entrance of Peak Galleria, except for residents' vehicles;
- Barker Road, except for residents' vehicles;
- All laybys along Stubbs Road between Peak Road and Stubbs Road roundabout;
- All laybys along Magazine Gap Road between Peak Road and May Road.

#### Eastern District

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- Watson Road;
- Glass Street;
- King Ming Road;
- Hing Fat Street northward of Whitfield Road; and
- Whitfield Road.

The following roads will be closed from 6.45pm:

## Central District

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- Eastbound and westbound Yiu Sing Street;
- Westbound Lung Wo Road between Yiu Sing Street and Tim Wa Avenue;
- Tim Wa Avenue;
- Legislative Council Road;
- Tim Mei Avenue;
- Lung Wui Road;
- Unnamed road between Harcourt Road and Performing Arts Avenue;
- Performing Arts Avenue; and
- Edinburgh Place.

#### Wan Chai North

- Tonnochy Road Flyover;
- Northbound Tonnochy Road between Gloucester Road and Harbour Road;
- Harbour Drive:
- Southbound Fleming Road between Gloucester Road and Harbour Road; and
- Northbound Fenwick Street between Gloucester Road and Harbour Road.

Phase II (During the fireworks display)

The following roads will be closed from 7.55pm:

Eastern District

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- Westbound Central Wan Chai Bypass, except for franchised buses;
- Westbound Island Eastern Corridor (IEC) between Victoria Park Road and Man
  Hong Street, except for franchised buses; and
- The slip roads leading to westbound IEC from Healthy Street Central and Tong Shui Road.

Phase III (after the fireworks display)

The following roads will be closed from 7.55pm:

#### Central District

- Man Yiu Street between Man Cheung Street and Man Po Street;
- Man Po Street;
- Finance Street between Man Yiu Street and Man Po Street;
- Legislative Council Road;
- Tim Mei Avenue; and
- Lung Wui Road.

#### Wan Chai North

- Tonnochy Road Flyover;
- Northbound Tonnochy Road between Gloucester Road and Harbour Road;
- Harbour Drive; and
- Southbound Fleming Road between Gloucester Road and Harbour Road.

#### Wan Chai South

- Lockhart Road between Percival Street and Luard Road;
- Jaffe Road between Percival Street and Luard Road;
- Southbound Luard Road between Gloucester Road and Jaffe Road;
- O'Brien Road:
- Fleming Road between Gloucester Road and Hennessy Road;
- Stewart Road;
- Tonnochy Road between Gloucester Road and Hennessy Road;
- Marsh Road between Gloucester Road and Hennessy Road;
- Canal Road West between Gloucester Road and Hennessy Road;
- Canal Road East between Gloucester Road and Hennessy Road;
- If necessary, Percival Street between Lockhart Road and Gloucester Road;
  and
- If necessary, westbound Gloucester Road Service Road between Percival Street and Canal Road East.

#### B. Traffic Diversions

In connection with the road closure as mentioned above, the following

traffic diversions will be implemented:

# From 5.30pm onwards:

- Rumsey Street between Chung Kong Road and Connaught Road Central will be re-routed one-way southbound; and
- All traffic along Peak Road towards Harlech Road, Lugard Road and Mount Austin Road will be diverted via the slip road beside the car park entrance at the Peak Galleria, except for residents' vehicles or vehicles with permits.

# From 7.55pm onwards:

- Traffic along westbound IEC will be diverted to Man Hong Street;
- Traffic along westbound IEC to? Tong Shui Road slip road will be diverted to Wharf Road: and
- Traffic along eastbound Connaught Road West Flyover will be diverted to Finance Street.

# C. Suspension of Public Transport Interchange

Man Yiu Street Public Transport Interchange and Exhibition Centre Station Public Transport Interchange will be suspended from 5.30pm.

## D. Suspension of parking spaces

- All on-street metered, motorcycle and disabled parking spaces at Tramway Lane outside Lower Peak Tram Station, Victoria Peak Garden and Mount Austin Road will be suspended from 8am to 10pm;
- All on-street parking spaces on Expo Drive East at the north of Expo Drive outside Golden Bauhinia Square will be suspended from 3pm to 9.30pm; and
  All on-street, metered, motorcycle and disabled parking spaces within the above closed areas in Central District, Wan Chai and Eastern District will be suspended from 3pm to 9.30pm.

## E. Suspension of car parks

Vehicles parked in car parks within the above closed areas in North Point, Wan Chai and Central District will not be permitted to enter or leave the car parks during the road closure period.

If necessary, the car parks on westbound Gloucester Road between Paterson Street and Percival Street will be closed without prior notice.

Police will continue traffic enforcement action during the Lunar New Year period. All vehicles parked illegally during the implementation of the above special traffic arrangements will be towed away without prior warning, and may be subject to multiple ticketing.

Actual implementation of 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.



