

# Distribution of disinfectant hand sanitisers to refuse collection and recycling trade employees by EPD (with photos)

The Environmental Protection Department (EPD) today (August 14) distributed disinfectant hand sanitisers to drivers of refuse collection vehicles using the services at refuse transfer stations and landfills to support the work of frontline personnel and thank them for standing ready to fight the epidemic.

Every day, refuse collection vehicles collect municipal solid waste from various districts in Hong Kong and transport the waste in an orderly manner to refuse transfer stations or directly to landfills for disposal, making a contribution to the environmental hygiene of Hong Kong. As the epidemic situation of coronavirus disease 2019 in Hong Kong continues, refuse collection and transportation practitioners need to replenish personal hygiene protective equipment such as disposable face masks and disinfectant hand sanitisers to minimise the risk of infection. To assist the trade in coping with the current challenges, further to the distribution of about 50 000 face masks earlier, the EPD today distributed around 1 200 bottles of hand sanitisers to drivers of refuse collection vehicles using the services at landfills and waste transfer stations and reminded them to perform hand hygiene frequently.

In addition, the EPD will provide around 500 bottles of disinfectant hand sanitisers to frontline employees of the recycling trade, encouraging the trade to enhance employees' awareness of hygiene and to fight the epidemic together.



