

Fighting in a public place and common assault case in Kowloon City reclassified as manslaughter

Police today (July 23) reclassified a fighting in a public place and common assault case in Kowloon City on July 16 as manslaughter.

About 7.30pm that day, Police received a report that a 38-year-old woman was assaulted after disputing with her 38-year-old boyfriend on Hau Wong Road in Kowloon City. The man later fought with a 42-year-old man on Hau Wong Road.

Police officers arrived at scene and located the 38-year-old woman who sustained injuries to her face and the 42-year-old man who sustained injuries to his head and hands. Both were sent to Queen Elizabeth Hospital for treatment in conscious state. The 38-year-old man who sustained head injuries was sent to Queen Elizabeth Hospital in semi-conscious state. He was certified dead at 5.18pm today.

Post-mortem examinations will be conducted later to ascertain the cause of death.

After investigation, Police arrested the 38-year-old man for fighting in a public place and common assault and the 42-year-old man for fighting in a public place on the same day. The 42-year-old man was charged with one count of wounding and appeared before Kowloon City Magistrates' Courts on July 19.

Active investigation by the District Crime Squad of Kowloon City District is under way.