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Grade 2 beaches are:

Approach Beach	Discovery Bay
Butterfly Beach	Hoi Mei Wan Beach
Cafeteria Old Beach	Kadoorie Beach
Casam Beach	Lido Beach
Castle Peak Beach	Shek O Beach
Clear Water Bay First Beach	Silverstrand Beach
Clear Water Bay Second Beach	Ting Kau Beach

Grade 3 beaches are:

Anglers' Beach	Ma Wan Tung Wan Beach
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Compared with the grading released last week, Cafeteria Old Beach, Clear Water Bay Second Beach, Discovery Bay and Kadoorie Beach have been changed from Grade 1 to Grade 2.

"The changes are generally within the normal range of fluctuation of the bacteriological water quality of the beaches," an EPD spokesman said.

Under the present grading system, beaches are classified into four grades according to the level of E. coli in the water. Grades are calculated on the basis of the geometric mean of the E. coli counts on the five most recent sampling occasions.

While the ratings represent the general water quality at the beaches, the EPD spokesman reminded members of the public that water quality could be

temporarily affected during and after periods of heavy rain. Bathers should avoid swimming at beaches for up to three days after a storm or heavy rainfall.

A summary of beach grades is published weekly before the weekend. Latest beach grades based on the most current data may be obtained from the department's websites on Beach Water Quality (www.beachwq.gov.hk and www.epd.gov.hk/epd/beach) or the beach hotline, 2511 6666.