

Hongkong Post postman tests preliminarily positive for COVID-19

Hongkong Post said today (February 8) that a postman of the Yuen Long Delivery Office (YLG/DO) has tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19.

The postman concerned was responsible for delivery work in Shan Ha Tsuen, Ma Fung Ling Road, Lam Hau Yuen, Lam Hau Pok and San Hi Tsuen Street in Yuen Long. The YLG/DO is not open to the public. The postman last performed duty on February 5. He underwent temperature screening when attending work and his body temperature was normal. He was wearing a mask while working outdoors and inside the YLG/DO. He had recently visited Yuen Long Plaza, which was included in a compulsory testing notice. He underwent COVID-19 testing on February 6 and was notified by the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of his preliminary positive result today.

Upon notification of the case, Hongkong Post immediately arranged for all co-workers of the postman concerned to undergo COVID-19 testing and thorough cleaning and disinfection of all the facilities and mail items pursuant to the guidelines set out by the CHP.

The YLG/DO and the Post Office Box lobby (Nos. 1 to 1500) will be temporarily closed until tomorrow (February 9). Hongkong Post has put up notices at the premises that the postman concerned had visited for delivery to notify the public of the situation. Mail delivery services for the district (including Yuen Long, Tin Shui Wai, Hung Shui Kiu, Lau Fau Shan, Lok Ma Chau, Kam Tin, San Tin and Shap Pat Heung) will be delayed during the said period. Hongkong Post apologises for the inconvenience caused. For enquiries, members of the public may call the Hongkong Post enquiry hotline at 2921 2222.

Hongkong Post will continue to implement measures for social distancing and infection control at all postal facilities to safeguard the health of staff and the public, and maintain close liaison with the CHP. Staff members are also reminded to take note of their personal hygiene and stay vigilant at all times, and are advised to seek medical advice immediately in case of feeling unwell.