

# Latest arrangements for LCSD public services

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) announced today (July 9) that, in view of the latest situation of COVID-19, the following enhancement measures on prevention and control of the infection will be introduced.

Playgrounds for children and road safety towns will be temporarily closed from July 11 (Saturday). Rows of spectator stands at leisure venues will open alternately. For activities held at dance rooms/activity rooms with more than eight people, the number of participants in each group must limit to eight or below. A distance of 1.5 metres between each group should be maintained.

For public swimming pools, the number of users in swimming pools will be limited to maintain distance among swimmers. Leisure pools, children pools and toddlers' pools will continue to be closed. Only some swimming pool facilities such as main pools, secondary pools, training pools or teaching pools will open.

Venue users must put on masks before and after exercising and comply with the Prevention and Control of Disease (Prohibition on Group Gathering) Regulation (Cap 599G) on the prohibition of group gatherings of more than the number of people as stipulated by the law. The LCSD will adopt special measures at leisure facilities. Measures include stepping up cleansing work and arranging temperature screening for all people entering indoor venues.

For cultural facilities, all LCSD's museums and libraries will also tighten precautionary measures. Museums will adopt admission quotas to limit visitor flow. Visitors will enter on a first-come, first-served basis. Some interactive exhibits of the Hong Kong Science Museum and the Hong Kong Space Museum will be closed. Enhanced cleansing of exhibits will be conducted and children facilities in all museums will remain closed. While public libraries will maintain the current admission arrangement, enhanced precautionary measures will be adopted. The cleansing session will remain and seating will be reduced for social distancing.

Public members entering the museums and libraries will need to use hand sanitiser and will be subject to temperature checks before admission. They also need to wear their own masks. Children aged under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

The LCSD will continue to monitor the situation closely and review the arrangements in a timely manner.