

Latest arrangements on LCSD public services

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) announced today (March 21) that, in view of the latest situation of COVID-19, the leisure venues and cultural facilities reopened earlier this month will be temporarily closed starting from March 23 (Monday). Other venues and facilities that are not yet reopened will remain closed until further notice.

Outdoor leisure venues / facilities including tennis courts; bowling greens; running tracks in sports grounds; Ngau Chi Wan Park Archery Range; Shek O Obstacle Golf Course; the archery range, golf driving range and practice greens at Tuen Mun Recreation and Sports Centre; grass pitches; artificial turf soccer pitches; public swimming pools; beaches; water sports centres; holiday camps and camp site, etc, will keep closed.

All indoor sports facilities will also be closed.

Non-fee charging land-based leisure facilities, including parks, playgrounds, outdoor hard-surface pitches, skateboard grounds, skateparks, roller skating rinks and cycling grounds, will maintain services.

Meanwhile, all booking applications for the department's land-based recreation and sports facilities, both fee-charging and non-fee-charging, are suspended until further notice.

Application for use of wedding venues, amphitheatres and non-fee charging leisure venues for non-designated use/sales activities is suspended until further notice.

All libraries will be temporarily closed.

All book drop services of the Hong Kong Public Libraries and those located at three MTR stations as well as the self-service library stations at Island East Sports Centre Sitting-out Area, the Hong Kong Cultural Centre and Tsuen Nam Road, Tai Wai will also suspend services. Public libraries will continue to provide online services such as e-Books and e-Databases.

All museums, performance venues and music centres of the Music Office will be closed. All major facilities of performance venues will not be opened before the end of April.

The URBTIX outlets and ticket dispensing machines at LCSD performance venues will also be closed. URBTIX will maintain Internet and mobile app ticketing and hotline services.

Refund arrangements in relation to closure of leisure venues and cultural facilities will be announced in due course.

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