

Latest situation of facilitation measures for immigration clearance implemented by Guangdong Provincial Government for eligible cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers

In response to the developments of COVID-19, the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) has previously announced that, based on the vaccine bubble concept, the Government of Guangdong Province agreed to implement facilitation measures for cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers who have received two vaccine doses for 14 days. The Transport Department (TD) gave an update on the latest situation today (April 22).

Starting from 0.00am tomorrow (April 23), if cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers receive a message in the mini-program of WeChat on the Yuekang Code (粤康码) System at the Yueshengshi (粤省事) showing that they have received two vaccine doses after 14 days, the drivers concerned, when entering Shenzhen and Zhuhai, are only required to possess proof of a negative result of a nucleic acid test conducted within 72 hours. They can access through an ordinary immigration clearance area by scanning the Yuekang Code message direct and complete the clearance procedure, and are not required to undergo a nucleic acid test once every day. For those cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers who have not been vaccinated, have not received two vaccine doses or have received two vaccine doses for less than 14 days, or have not yet received a message on the Yuekang Code System, in addition to possessing proof of a negative result of a nucleic acid test conducted within 72 hours when entering Shenzhen and Zhuhai, they are required to undergo a nucleic acid test at the sampling collection point in Mainland control points when they first enter Shenzhen and Zhuhai daily.

Since the announcement of the facilitation measures, the Government of the HKSAR, through the cross-boundary freight companies and trade members, has contacted the cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers who have completed the vaccinations and obtained their personal consent to facilitate the passing of the relevant information to the Government of Guangdong Province for uploading to the Yuekang Code System, in order to disseminate the information about the immigration clearance facilitation measures. If the drivers have completed the vaccinations for 14 days, they will benefit from the relevant measures. As of yesterday (April 21), the System had completed the registration of more than 4 200 cross-boundary drivers. Eligible drivers who have submitted an application to the TD but have not yet received the relevant message on the Yuekang Code System after three working days are advised to contact the TD's hotline at 2399 6925 as soon as possible for follow-up action.

Since the implementation of the vaccination programme, around 6 900

cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers have received the first vaccine dose and around 6 200 have received their second dose, representing 98 per cent and nearly 90 per cent of active cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers respectively. The TD appeals again to the cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers who have not yet been vaccinated to receive vaccination early to protect themselves from infection as well as to benefit from the facilitation measures.