

# **“M” Mark status awarded to Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2024**

The following is issued on behalf of the Major Sports Events Committee:

The Major Sports Events Committee (MSEC) has awarded "M" Mark status to Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2024, which will be held on January 21.

The Chairman of the MSEC, Mr Wilfred Ng, said today (January 12) that like all other "M" Mark events, this event will not only promote sports development and showcase Hong Kong's capability to host world-class sports events, but also add colour and vibrancy to Hong Kong, bring in more visitors from abroad and enhance Hong Kong's position as a centre for major international sports events.

"The Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon is an internationally renowned marathon race held on a yearly basis. In addition to local runners, the event has successfully attracted runners from around the world. This year's event will enter its 26th edition, with a total of 74 000 participants," Mr Ng said.

The "M" Mark System aims to encourage and help local "national sports associations" and private and non-government organisations to organise more major international sports events and nurture them into sustainable undertakings. Sports events meeting the assessment criteria will be granted "M" Mark status by the MSEC. Funding support will also be provided to some events.

For details of "M" Mark events, please visit [www.mevents.org.hk](http://www.mevents.org.hk).