Operator fined for illegal club operation

A man was fined \$3,000 at the Eastern Magistrates' Courts today (June 23) for contravening the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance.

The courts heard that in September last year, officers from the Office of the Licensing Authority (OLA) of the Home Affairs Department conducted an inspection at a club on Foo Ming Street in Causeway Bay, which had been operating with a certificate of compliance (CoC).

The OLA officers found that the club had a layout that deviated from the registered drawing. Condition 3 of the CoC was breached. The man, being the operator of the club, was charged with contravening section 21(1) (a) of the Ordinance.

A spokesman for the department reminded all CoC holders to comply with the conditions as stipulated therein. Enforcement action will continue to be taken against illegal club operation.