

Person who visited first floor of Revenue Tower in Wan Chai tested preliminary positive for COVID-19

The Inland Revenue Department today (January 18) said the department was notified by the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) today that a person who visited the Central Enquiry Counter on the first floor of the Revenue Tower in Wan Chai on January 14 had been tested preliminary positive for COVID-19.

The department completed thorough cleaning and sterilisation at the first floor of the Revenue Tower in accordance with the CHP's advice, and will arrange staff of the concerned office to undergo COVID-19 testing.

The Central Enquiry Counter will continue to provide services as normal tomorrow (January 19). In view that a number of staff are required to undergo COVID-testing, members of the public should be prepared to experience a longer waiting time before they can be served at the counters. The department encourages the public to use its electronic services to handle their tax affairs as much as possible. A list of such services can be found in the department's website at www.ird.gov.hk/eng/ese/index.htm.

During the situation of COVID-19 infection, the department has been strictly implementing various disease prevention measures, including measuring the body temperature of all persons before their entry into the building, providing employees with masks and stepping up the cleaning and sterilising measures for the working environment.

The department will continue to maintain close liaison with the CHP, actively co-operate with CHP's quarantine arrangements. The department has also reminded its staff to pay attention to personal hygiene and stay vigilant.