

Special traffic and transport arrangements for Pyrotechnics Display in Tsim Sha Tsui East on May 1

The Transport Department (TD) today (April 30) reminded members of the public that, to facilitate the pyrotechnics display to be held near Tsim Sha Tsui Promenade in Tsim Sha Tsui East at 8pm tomorrow (May 1), the following special traffic and transport arrangements will be implemented in Tsim Sha Tsui East in Kowloon, Central District, Wan Chai District and Eastern District on Hong Kong Island.

Road closures

In connection with the holding of the pyrotechnics display that evening, road closures and the corresponding traffic diversions will be implemented on roads in the vicinities of the Tsim Sha Tsui Promenade in Kowloon from around 6pm. On Hong Kong Island, road closures and traffic diversions will be implemented in phases from around 7.30pm that evening on road sections in the vicinities of Central near the Central piers (except for franchised buses), Wan Chai North and Eastern District (near the vicinity of the East Coast Park Precinct) until crowds disperse and roads are reopened.

Public transport services arrangements

In connection with the road closure arrangements, bus routes operating in the affected areas will be temporarily diverted or suspended, and the associated bus stops located within the affected areas will be suspended or relocated.

In Kowloon, taxi stands (including taxi pick-up/drop-off points), public light bus stands, on-street parking spaces and private car parks on the roads affected in Tsim Sha Tsui East will be temporarily suspended during the road closure period.

On Hong Kong Island, taxi stands on Expo Drive and Exhibition Centre Station Public Transport Interchange, all on-street parking spaces along closed road sections at Expo Drive East outside Golden Bauhinia Square and other closed roads (including metered parking, motorcycle parking and disabled parking spaces) will be temporarily suspended from 5.30pm to 9.30pm.

The short-working route of the water taxi ferry service will be suspended from 5.20 pm.

For details of the special traffic and public transport arrangements, members of the public may visit the TD's website (www.td.gov.hk), its mobile

application "HKeMobility" or refer to the passenger notices issued by the relevant public transport operators.

Due to road closures, the TD anticipates that traffic along the concerned areas will become significantly congested. Motorists are advised to avoid driving to the above areas affected by the road closures. In case of traffic congestion, motorists should exercise patience and drive with care, and follow the instructions of the Police on site.

The TD appeals to members of the public to make use of public transport services as far as possible to avoid traffic congestion and unnecessary delays. The TD and the Police will closely monitor the traffic situation and implement appropriate measures when necessary. The Police may adjust the traffic arrangements, subject to the prevailing crowd and traffic conditions in the areas. The public should pay attention to the latest traffic news through radio, television or "HKeMobility".

If the cancellation of the pyrotechnics display is announced on May 1, the above-mentioned road closures and public transport services arrangements will not be implemented.