

Special traffic arrangements on Tolo Highway and Lam Tsuen in Tai Po

Police will implement special traffic arrangements to facilitate the holding of Well Wishing Festival in Lam Tsuen during the Lunar New Year period.

A. Road closure and traffic diversions

Lam Tsuen Heung Kung Sho Road between Lam Tsuen Pai Lau and Lam Tsuen Rural Committee Office will be closed and pedestrianized between 7am and 7pm daily from February 5 to February 19.

The slow lane of northbound Tolo Highway near Wun Yiu leading to Tai Po (North) exit will be closed from February 2 to February 10. Vehicles heading for Tai Po (North) exit must use the nearside hard shoulder on the affected section of the road.

Depending on the prevailing traffic condition of Lam Kam Road, the affected section of northbound Tolo Highway may be further extended to Lam Kam Road Interchange between February 5 and February 10. All vehicles heading for Tai Po (North) exit and the Lam Tsuen Wishing Tree must use the nearside hard shoulder on the affected section of Tolo Highway. The slip road leading from Tai Po Tai Wo Road to northbound Tolo Highway will also be closed. Vehicles heading for the Lam Tsuen Wishing Tree from Tai Po Tai Wo Road must travel via southbound Tolo Highway, Kwong Fuk Interchange, eastbound Tai Po Road – Yuen Chau Tsai, Tolo Highway slip road, northbound Tolo Highway, the nearside hard shoulder on the affected section of northbound Tolo Highway, and Lam Kam Road Interchange. Vehicles approaching to the Lam Tsuen Wishing Tree from Fanling must travel via the above same route.

During the road closure period, residents of Lam Tsuen Valley and Hong Lok Yuen heading for Lam Kam Road (Pat Heung bound) are advised to travel via Kwong Fuk Interchange, eastbound Tai Po Road – Yuen Chau Tsai, Tolo Highway slip road, the second lane of northbound Tolo Highway and Lam Kam Road Interchange.

B. Temporary no-stopping zones

Vehicles are not allowed to pick up or drop off passengers and load or unload goods at the following locations between 7am and 7pm daily from February 5 to February 19:

- The access road to Fong Ma Po Village between Lam Kam Road and Lam Tsuen Rural Committee Office;
- Lam Kam Road between Lam Kam Road Interchange and the access road to Tong Min Tsuen, except for franchised buses and green minibuses;
- The access road to Tin Liu Ha Tsuen from She Shan Road; and
- She Shan Road.

A temporary vehicle holding area will be set up between Lam Tsuen Public School and Hang Ha Po Tsuen to facilitate visitors alighting or boarding vehicles from February 5 to March 3.

If the situation permits, public light buses and taxis may be allowed to pick up or drop off passengers on Lam Kam Road near Hang Ha Po Tsuen and Tong Min Tsuen. Plying for hire is strictly prohibited.

To ensure road safety and smooth traffic flow, Police will continue to take traffic enforcement action during the Lunar New Year period, including issuing fixed penalty tickets and towing away illegally parked vehicles without prior warning. The operation will, in particular, target those causing danger to other road users, or seriously obstructing traffic flow and access of emergency vehicles.

Actual implementation of the traffic arrangements will be made depending on traffic and crowd conditions in the area. Motorists should exercise tolerance and patience, and follow the instructions of Police on site.