

Assess the risk of heat stroke to employees

Attention duty announcers, radio and TV stations:

Please broadcast the following special announcement immediately, and repeat it at frequent intervals when the Very Hot Weather Warning is in force:

The Labour Department reminds employers that as the Very Hot Weather Warning is in force, they should assess the risk of heat stroke to their employees and adopt effective preventive measures such as providing cool drinking water, setting up temporary sunshade and providing mechanical aids to reduce physical exertion of employees. Employees should drink water regularly and be mindful of their physical condition. If early heat stroke symptoms such as headache and thirst appear, they should inform their supervisors and seek medical help immediately.

Very Hot Weather Warning issued

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

The Hong Kong Observatory has issued the Very Hot Weather Warning.

To prevent heat stroke, avoid prolonged activities outdoors.

If engaged in outdoor work or activities, wear a wide-brimmed hat and light-coloured, loose-fitting clothes. Stay in shaded areas as much as possible.

Drink plenty of water, and avoid beverages containing caffeine or alcohol.

If you feel sick, consult a doctor right away.

2018 Honours List

The 2018 Honours List is published in the Government Gazette today (July 1). This is the 21st full Honours List since 1997.

The Chief Executive has awarded a total of 282 persons in this year's Honours List, including:

Award	Number
(a) Grand Bauhinia Medal (GBM)	4
(b) Gold Bauhinia Star (GBS)	10
(c) Silver Bauhinia Star (SBS)	20
(d) Medal for Bravery (Silver) (MBS)	4
(e) Distinguished Service Medals for the disciplined services and the ICAC	12
(f) Bronze Bauhinia Star (BBS)	40
(g) Medal for Bravery (Bronze) (MBB)	9
(h) Meritorious Service Medals for the disciplined services and the ICAC	46
(i) Medal of Honour (MH)	60
(j) Chief Executive's Commendation for Community Service	53
(k) Chief Executive's Commendation for Government/Public Service	24
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The Honours recipients are from different walks of life. They are given an honour or award in recognition of their significant contributions to Hong Kong or for their dedicated public and community service.

The presentation ceremony for the awards will be held on October 27, 2018.

The citations of the award recipients of the 2018 Honours List are provided in the Appendix.

Justices of the Peace appointments

The Government published this year's appointments of Justices of the Peace (JPs) in the Government Gazette today (July 1).

A total of 78 persons have been appointed, including 41 JPs appointed under section 3(1)(b) of the Justices of the Peace Ordinance (Chapter 510) (commonly referred to as "Non-official JPs") and 37 JPs appointed under section 3(1)(a) of the same ordinance (commonly referred to as "Official JPs").

The main function of JPs is to visit prisons, detention centres and other institutions to ensure their effective management and that no individual is unfairly treated or deprived of his or her rights. JPs will ensure that complaints lodged by individuals are handled in a fair and transparent manner.

The name list of JPs appointed under section 3(1)(b) and section 3(1)(a) of the Justices of the Peace Ordinance is provided in the Appendix.

Holding charge laid against man and woman in connection with infanticide and concealing birth of child case in Castle Peak

Police today (June 30) laid holding charges against a 28-year-old woman with one count of infanticide and one count of concealing birth of child, and a 43-year-old man with one count of concealing birth of child.

The man and the woman were arrested in the small hours today in suspected connection with an infanticide and concealing birth of child case happened yesterday (June 29) in Castle Peak in which an abandoned newborn baby girl was found inside a plastic bag in a trolley outside the refuse collection point of Yau Oi Estate. The baby girl was certified dead at scene.

The case will be mentioned at Tuen Mun Magistrates' Courts on July 2.