<u>Transport Department public services</u> <u>suspended</u>

The Transport Department today (September 6) announced that as the Gale or Storm Signal No. 8 is now in force, services of the Driving Test Centres, the Written Test Centre, the Driving Test Appointment Office, the Government Vehicle Examination Centres, the Licensing Offices, the Public Vehicles Unit, the Driving-offence Points Office, the Vehicle Inspection and Records Unit and the Cross Boundary Unit will be suspended.

Driving tests (including road tests and written tests) scheduled at or before 1pm will be cancelled. Candidates will be individually informed of the rescheduled test appointment. If the Gale or Storm Signal No. 8 is still in force at 11.30am, all driving tests today will be cancelled. Candidates will be individually informed of the rescheduled test appointment.

Vehicle examination services for appointments at or before 12.20pm will be cancelled. If the Gale or Storm Signal No. 8 is still in force at 11.30am, all vehicle examinations will be cancelled. Members of the public who have made an appointment for vehicle examination services can make a new appointment after the Vehicle Examination Centres reopen.

Besides, while the Gale or Storm Signal No. 8 is in force or within two hours after its cancellation, appointments of driving licence-related services, renewal of vehicle licence, transfer of vehicle ownership, application for a duplicate vehicle registration document/duplicate vehicle licence, an international driving permit, retention, transfer or assignment of vehicle registration mark will be cancelled. Applicants who have made an appointment may proceed to the Licensing Offices to submit their applications during service hours (9am to 5pm from Monday to Friday) on or before September 13 without the need to make another appointment.