

Use of "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile app at all government buildings and offices

A Government spokesman announced today (February 10) that starting from March 1, government employees and members of the public will be required to use the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile app before entering government buildings or offices.

The spokesman said, "To better assist the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health in epidemiological investigations and to protect the safety of members of the public and employees, the Government decided to implement the arrangement at all government buildings and offices."

To allow government employees and members of the public to familiarise themselves with the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile app, from February 22 onwards, government departments will first remind government employees and members of the public to use the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile app at the entrances of Government buildings or offices. Starting from March 1, government employees and members of the public will be required to scan the "LeaveHomeSafe" QR code or register their names, contact numbers and the date and time of their visits before entering the relevant premises for necessary contact tracing if a confirmed case is found. To fight the epidemic together, we appeal for visitors' co-operation with the instructions given by the staff on site. As a result of the arrangement, the waiting time for public services or entering the relevant premises may be lengthened, we appeal for the understanding of members of the public.

For the sake of themselves as well as that of others, the Government calls on members of the public to download the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile app as soon as possible and use it regularly to record their whereabouts, so as to maximise the function of the mobile app. Users will be notified by the mobile app if they are later identified to have visited the same venue that a confirmed patient has visited at about the same time, so as to increase the users' vigilance and sense of self-protection.