## <u>Winter lifeguard services at beaches</u>

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) announced today (October 30) the following arrangements for lifeguard services at its 38 gazetted beaches during the period between November 1, 2019 and March 31, 2020:

Deep Water Bay Beach, Clear Water Bay Second Beach, Silverstrand Beach and Golden Beach

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November 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020 Lifeguard services available from 8am to 5pm daily

Repulse Bay Beach, Stanley Main Beach, Big Wave Bay Beach and Silver Mine Bay Beach

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November 1 to 30, 2019 and March 1 to 31, 2020 Lifeguard services available from 8am to 5pm daily (Lifeguard services suspended from December 1, 2019 to February 29, 2020)

Middle Bay Beach in Southern District will be temporarily closed from November 1, 2019, to March 31, 2020 for renovation works. Lifeguard services at the remaining 29 LCSD beaches will be suspended from November 1, 2019, to March 31, 2020 during winter. These beaches are South Bay Beach, Chung Hom Kok Beach, St Stephen's Beach, Shek O Beach and Turtle Cove Beach in Southern District; Trio Beach, Kiu Tsui Beach, Hap Mun Bay Beach and Clear Water Bay First Beach in Sai Kung District; Hung Shing Yeh Beach, Lo So Shing Beach, Kwun Yam Beach, Cheung Chau Tung Wan Beach, Pui O Beach, Upper Cheung Sha Beach, Lower Cheung Sha Beach and Tong Fuk Beach in Islands District; Butterfly Beach, Castle Peak Beach, Kadoorie Beach, Cafeteria Old Beach and Cafeteria New Beach in Tuen Mun District; and Hoi Mei Wan Beach, Casam Beach, Lido Beach, Approach Beach, Anglers' Beach, Ting Kau Beach and Ma Wan Tung Wan Beach in Tsuen Wan District.

The LCSD calls on members of the public to observe water safety while swimming. People should swim at the beaches only when lifeguard services are available. Please do not enter the water when the red flag is hoisted.