Woman fined for illegal club operation

A woman was fined \$2,000 at the Eastern Magistrates' Courts today (May 12) for contravening the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance.

The courts heard that in August last year, officers from the Office of the Licensing Authority (OLA) of the Home Affairs Department conducted an inspection at a club on Hennessy Road in Causeway Bay, which had been operating with a certificate of compliance (CoC).

During the investigation, the club's staff failed to show a copy of the certificate of fire service installation and equipment. Condition 14 of the CoC was breached. The woman, being the CoC holder of the club, was charged with contravening section 21(2) of the Ordinance.

A spokesman for the department reminded all CoC holders to comply with the conditions as stipulated therein. Enforcement action will continue to be taken against illegal club operations.