

TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT NOTICE

Special Traffic and Transport Arrangements for the Rugby Matches to be held at the Hong Kong Stadium on 27, 28 and 29 March 2015

Notice is hereby given that to facilitate the holding of the rugby matches at the Hong Kong Stadium, the following special traffic and transport arrangements will be implemented in So Kon Po and Causeway Bay on 27, 28 and 29 March 2015:

A. Special traffic arrangements

I. For the commencement of the event (see **Figure 1**)

The following arrangements will be implemented from about 11.00 am on 27 March 2015, and from about 7.00 am daily on 28 and 29 March 2015:

Road closure

- (a) The section of Caroline Hill Road northbound between its eastern junction with Leighton Road and Cotton Path (except vehicles heading for St. Paul's Hospital during the closure of Tung Lo Wan Road);
- (b) The section of Hysan Avenue westbound between Sunning Road and Hoi Ping Road;
- (c) The section of Lee Garden Road between Lan Fong Road and Hysan Avenue (if necessary); and
- (d) Link Road northbound downhill (except vehicles heading for Link Road No. 1A, 3, 5 and 7) (if necessary).

Traffic diversion

- (a) The section of Caroline Hill Road between its western junction with Leighton Road and Stadium Path will be re-routed as one-way southbound;
- (b) The section of Eastern Hospital Road between Stadium Path and Tung Lo Wan Road will be re-routed as one-way northbound;
- (c) The section of Hysan Avenue between Leighton Road and Hoi Ping Road will be re-routed as one-way eastbound;
- (d) Hysan Avenue eastbound will have two traffic lanes for vehicles turning right onto Hoi Ping Road;
- (e) Vehicles on Hysan Avenue westbound between Yun Ping Road and Sunning Road must turn left onto Sunning Road;
- (f) A section of Caroline Hill Road between its western junction with Leighton Road and Link Road will have two traffic lanes for vehicles entering Caroline Hill Road from Hoi Ping Road;
- (g) Vehicles on Link Road northbound downhill to Caroline Hill Road northbound must turn left onto Leighton Road westbound;
- (h) Vehicles leaving The Lee Gardens must turn left onto Hysan Avenue eastbound; and
- (i) If situation warrants, hired taxis and coaches may be permitted to turn right from the offside lane of Leighton Road eastbound onto Caroline Hill Road.

Passenger alighting arrangements

- (a) Coaches: coaches will be prohibited from entering Eastern Hospital Road from Caroline Hill Road, and should drop off the passengers at Caroline Hill Road and leave via Cotton Path, Eastern Hospital Road and Tung Lo Wan Road;
- (b) Players' coaches: players' coaches displaying the label issued by the Hong Kong Rugby Football Union will be allowed to enter the west tunnel of Hong Kong Stadium via Stadium Path;
- (c) Free shuttle buses: the drop-off zone for free shuttle buses will be designated at the northern kerbside of Cotton Path; the free shuttle buses should leave via Eastern Hospital Road and Tung Lo Wan Road;
- (d) Taxis: the drop-off zone for taxis will be designated at the southern kerbside of Eastern Hospital Road east of the Hong Kong Stadium main entrance; and
- (e) Private cars: the drop-off zone for private cars will be designated at the northern kerbside of Eastern Hospital Road east of the Hong Kong Stadium main entrance.

II. Throughout the event

Temporary restricted zone

The northern kerbside lane of Leighton Road between Matheson Street and Percival Street will be temporarily designated as a restricted zone 24 hours daily from 11.00 am on 27 March 2015 to 9.30 pm on 29 March 2015.

III. For the conclusion of the event (see **Figure 2**)

The following arrangements will be implemented from about 8.30 pm onwards on 27 March 2015, and from about 7.00 pm onwards daily on 28 and 29 March 2015 until the crowd disperses and road closures are lifted:

Road closure

- (a) Caroline Hill Road;
- (b) Eastern Hospital Road;
- (c) Eastern Hospital Road service road;
- (d) Cotton Path;
- (e) Link Road northbound downhill (if situation warrants, vehicles heading for Link Road No. 1A, 3, 5 and 7 may be permitted to enter);
- (f) Hoi Ping Road; and
- (g) Leighton Road (if necessary).

Traffic diversion

- (a) Vehicles on Leighton Road westbound will be prohibited from entering Caroline Hill Road for Link Road. Affected vehicles heading for Link Road will be diverted via Wong Nai Chung Road and Broadwood Road; and
- (b) During the closure of Leighton Road:
 - (i) Vehicles on Causeway Road westbound will be directed onto Irving Street;
 - (ii) Vehicles on Morrison Hill Road eastbound will be diverted via Canal Road West;
 - (iii) Vehicles on Percival Street southbound must turn right onto Leighton

- Road westbound; and
 (iv) Vehicles on Canal Road East southbound will be banned from turning left onto Leighton Road.

IV. Road closure in Central District

The following road sections will be temporarily closed to all vehicular traffic from 6.00 pm to 5.00 am of the following day on 27 March 2015, and from 5.00 pm to 5.00 am of the following day daily on 28 and 29 March 2015:

- (i) The section of D'Aguilar Street between Wyndham Street and Wellington Street;
- (ii) Lan Kwai Fong;
- (iii) Wing Wah Lane; and
- (iv) Wo On Lane.

B. Special public transport arrangements

I. Bus diversion

The following bus routes will be temporarily diverted from about 11.00 am onwards on 27 March 2015, and from about 9.00 am onwards daily on 28 and 29 March 2015, until crowd disperses and road closures are lifted:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion</u>
CTB 5B	To Causeway Bay	via Yee Wo Street, Leighton Road westbound, Caroline Hill Road southbound, Eastern Hospital Road, Tung Lo Wan Road, Leighton Road westbound and Pennington Street. via Yee Wo Street, Leighton Road westbound and Pennington Street during the closure of Caroline Hill Road.
CTB 37A, 75, 90 and 97	To Admiralty / Central	via Canal Road flyover, Gloucester Road, Gloucester Road service road, Fenwick Street and Hennessy Road.
NWFB 590A	To Admiralty	via Canal Road flyover and Gloucester Road.
XHT 601 and 680	To Admiralty	via King's Road, Tsing Fung Street flyover, Victoria Park Road and Gloucester Road.
XHT 678	To Sheung Shui	will start at the temporary bus terminus on Causeway Road outside Victoria Park. omit Eastern Hospital Road, Tung Lo

		Wan Road and Moreton Terrace.
XHT 914	To Hoi Lai Estate	via Irving Street, Pennington Street, Yee Wo Street and Hennessy Road.

II. Temporary bus stop arrangements

- (a) The following bus stop will be suspended from 11.00 am on 27 March 2015 to 9.30 pm on 29 March 2015:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Suspended stop</u>
CTB 72, 72A, 76, 96 and 592 XHT 962, 962B, 962P, 962S, 962X, 969 and 969P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tung Lo Wan Road opposite to St. Paul's Hospital.

- (b) The following bus stops will be suspended or temporarily designated from 11.00 am to 11.00 pm on 27 March 2015, and from 9.00 am to 9.30 pm daily on 28 and 29 March 2015:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Suspended stops</u>	<u>Temporary stops</u>
CTB 5B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tung Lo Wan Road opposite to St. Paul's Hospital; Eastern Hospital Road outside Shing Kwong Church; Eastern Hospital Road outside Tung Wah Eastern Hospital; Eastern Hospital Road outside Hong Kong Stadium; and Caroline Hill Road opposite to South China Athletic Association. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leighton Road outside Post Office Recreation Club; Caroline Hill Road outside South China Athletic Association; Eastern Hospital Road opposite to Tung Wah Eastern Hospital; Eastern Hospital Road opposite to Shing Kwong Church; and Tung Lo Wan Road outside St. Paul's Convent School. <p>Remarks: The above temporary bus stops will be cancelled during the closure of Caroline Hill Road and Eastern Hospital Road.</p>
CTB 11 and 25A NWFB 23B, 26 and 63	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tung Lo Wan Road opposite to St. Paul's Hospital. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nil.
CTB 8X and 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leighton Road near 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nil.

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Suspended stops</u>	<u>Temporary stops</u>
	Matheson Street.	
CTB 10 and 76	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leighton Road near Matheson Street; and • Leighton Road outside Post Office Recreation Club. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leighton Road near Leighton Lane.
CTB 37A, 75, 90 and 97	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morrison Hill Road before Lap Tak Lane; • Hennessy Road outside CNT Tower; • Hennessy Road outside Hennessy Road Government Primary School; and • Hennessy Road outside Southorn Playground. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gloucester Road outside Old Wan Chai Police Station; and • Gloucester Road service road outside Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre.
NWFB 590A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morrison Hill Road outside Wing Cheung Mansion; • Hennessy Road outside CNT Tower; and • Tonnochy Road outside AXA Centre. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil.
XHT 108	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tung Lo Wan Road opposite to St. Paul's Hospital. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil.
XHT 601 and 680	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • King's Road opposite to Tsing Fung Street; • Causeway Road outside Hong Kong Central Library; • Leighton Road near Caroline Hill Road; • Leighton Road opposite to Leighton Centre; • Hennessy Road outside CNT Tower; • Hennessy Road outside Hennessy Road Government Primary School; • Hennessy Road near Fleming Road (XHT 680); and • Luard Road near Jaffe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • King's Road near Tsing Fung Street; • Gloucester Road near Cannon Street; • Gloucester Road outside Old Wan Chai Police Station; and • Gloucester Road outside Malaysia Building.

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Suspended stops</u>	<u>Temporary stops</u>
	Road (XHT 601).	
XHT 678	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eastern Hospital Road opposite to Hong Kong Stadium. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Causeway Road outside Victoria Park.
XHT 914	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leighton Road near Caroline Hill Road; and • Leighton Road outside Craigengower Cricket Club. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yee Wo Street opposite to Hong Kong Mansion; and • Hennessy Road near Tin Lok Lane.

III. Free shuttle bus service

Free shuttle bus service will be operated during the following periods:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>27 March</u>	<u>28 March</u>	<u>29 March</u>
Cotton Path to Admiralty (Drake Street) via Lan Kwai Fong	9.30 pm to 10.30 pm	7.30 pm to 8.30 pm	7.30 pm to 8.30 pm

IV. Special bus service

Franchised buses of Cross Harbour Route 117R (Hong Kong Stadium to Mong Kok) will pick up passengers on Cotton Path outside St. Paul's Hospital at about 8.00 pm on 27 March 2015, and about 6.40 pm on 28 and 29 March 2015. The departure time will depend on number of passengers carried and traffic condition on site.

V. Green minibus (GMB) and residents' service (RS) diversion

The following GMB and RS routes will be temporarily diverted from about 11.00 am onwards on 27 March 2015, and from about 9.00 am onwards daily on 28 and 29 March 2015, until crowd disperses and road closures are lifted:

<u>Route no.</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion</u>
RS HR51	To Causeway Bay	via Wong Nai Chung Road, Morrison Hill Road, Leighton Road, Hysan Avenue and Yun Ping Road.
	To Beverly Hill	via Lee Garden Road northbound, Foo Ming Street, Percival Street, Leighton Road, Wong Nai Chung Road and Broadwood Road.
GMB 14M	To Causeway Bay	via Wong Nai Chung Road, Morrison Hill Road, Leighton Road, Hysan Avenue and Yun Ping Road.

	To Moorsom Road	via Tai Hang Road, Fuk Kwan Avenue, Tai Hang Road, Tung Lo Wan Road and Moreton Terrace during the closure of Link Road. via Lee Garden Road northbound, Foo Ming Street, Percival Street, Leighton Road, Wong Nai Chung Road and Broadwood Road.
GMB 26	To Stubbs Road	via Lee Garden Road northbound, Foo Ming Street, Percival Street and Leighton Road during the closure of Lee Garden Road between Lan Fong Road and Hysan Avenue. via Sun Wui Road, Leighton Road eastbound, Pennington Street, Keswick Street and Leighton Road westbound during the closure of Hoi Ping Road.
GMB 30	To Causeway Bay	via Wong Nai Chung Road, Morrison Hill Road, Leighton Road, Hysan Avenue and Yun Ping Road.

VI. Temporary suspension of GMB stops

The following GMB stops will be suspended from 11.00 am to 11.00 pm on 27 March 2015, and from 9.00 am to 9.30 pm daily on 28 and 29 March 2015:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Suspended stops</u>
GMB 21A and 21M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tung Lo Wan Road opposite to St. Paul's Hospital.
GMB 26, 28, 36X, 39M and 40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leighton Road outside Leighton Centre.
GMB 56 and 56A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leighton Road outside Leighton Centre; and Leighton Road near Caroline Hill Road.

C. Prohibition of learner drivers

Learner drivers will be prohibited from entering the following roads from 10.00 am to 11.00 pm on 27 March 2015, and from 6.00 am to 9.30 pm daily on 28 and 29 March 2015:

- (a) Leighton Road;
- (b) Sharp Street East;
- (c) Percival Street south of Hennessy Road;
- (d) Caroline Hill Road;
- (e) Link Road;

- (f) Stadium Path;
- (g) Cotton Path;
- (h) Eastern Hospital Road;
- (i) Eastern Hospital Road service road; and
- (j) Turn left onto Tung Lo Wan Road from Causeway Road.

D. Suspension of parking spaces

- (a) All on-street parking spaces, motorcycle parking spaces and disabled parking spaces on the following roads will be suspended from 10.00 am to 11.00 pm on 27 March 2015, from 6.00 am to 9.30 pm daily on 28 and 29 March 2015:
 - (i) Stadium Path;
 - (ii) Caroline Hill Road northbound between Stadium Path and Cotton Path;
 - (iii) Eastern Hospital Road service road; and
 - (iv) Hoi Ping Road.
- (b) The motorcycle parking spaces outside No. 43-45 Wyndham Street will be suspended from 2.00 pm on 27 March 2015 to 7.00 am on 30 March 2015.

E. Restriction on access to / exit from carparks in closed roads

To ensure public safety throughout the event, all car parks along Caroline Hill Road may be closed by the Police at short notice if necessary. In addition, vehicles in carparks within the road closure areas may not be permitted to leave the carparks during the road closure period until crowd disperses and road closures are lifted.

F. Removal of illegally parked vehicles

Any vehicles found illegally parked within the precinct of the special traffic arrangements specified above will be towed away by the Police without prior notice.

G. Enforcement and Appeals

Appropriate traffic signs will be erected to guide motorists. The public transport operators will display notices at the stops and inside vehicle compartments to advise passengers of the above temporary arrangements. Police will exercise or adjust the road closure, traffic control measures and public transport diversions depending on the traffic condition on site.

The Transport Department anticipates that the traffic in So Kon Po and Causeway Bay will be very congested. The public are advised to use public transport services for going to the affected area as far as possible. Motorists are advised to be patient when driving at the vicinity and follow Police's instruction, and watch out for the latest traffic news through the media.

For enquiries on special traffic and transport arrangements, members of the public can call 1823 or browse through Transport Department website www.td.gov.hk for more details.

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