

Transport Department Notice

Special Traffic and Transport Arrangements in Tseung Kwan O Chinese Permanent Cemetery for Ching Ming Festival 2017

Notice is hereby given that the following special traffic and transport arrangements will be implemented in the vicinity of Tseung Kwan O Chinese Permanent Cemetery to facilitate vehicular traffic and to ensure pedestrian safety during the Ching Ming Festival 2017: -

(I) **Temporary Road Closure**

(i) The access road leading to Tseung Kwan O Chinese Permanent Cemetery will be closed to vehicular traffic on the following Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays during the period from 12 March 2017 to 1 May 2017. Details are as follows:-

(a) **General Closure**

Between 5.30 am and 6.00 pm on 12, 18, 19, 25 and 26 March 2017, 1, 8, 14, 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 29 and 30 April 2017, and 1 May 2017 (except for emergency vehicles, KMB Special Route No. 14S, hearses, vehicles in funeral processions and vehicles with valid entry permit issued by Tseung Kwan O Chinese Permanent Cemetery).

(b) **Full Closure**

Between 5.30 am and 8.00 pm on 2, 4 (the day of Ching Ming Festival) and 9 April 2017 (except for emergency vehicles only).

During the full closure days, there will be no bus service of KMB Special Route No. 14S. Grave sweepers could go to Tseung Kwan O Chinese Permanent Cemetery on foot via the access road on Ko Chiu Road or via the BMCPC Footpath opposite MTR Tiu Keng Leng Station. As there are staircases on the BMCPC Footpath, grave sweepers using wheel chairs should use the entrance at Ko Chiu Road to enter the cemetery.

(ii) The section of Tong Yin Street between Chi Shin Street and Chui Ling Road will be closed to all vehicular traffic (except emergency vehicles and police vehicles) between 5.30 am and 6.00 pm on 2, 4 (the day of Ching Ming Festival) and 9 April 2017.

(II) **KMB Special Route No. 14S**

KMB Special Route No. 14S plying between Lei Yue Mun Road (the southbound bus stop south of St. Antonius Girls' College) and the Tseung Kwan O Chinese Permanent Cemetery will be operated between 7.00 am and 5.25 pm on the days of general closure of the access

road leading to Tseung Kwan O Chinese Permanent Cemetery, i.e. 12, 18, 19, 25 and 26 March 2017, 1, 8, 14, 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 29 and 30 April 2017, and 1 May 2017. The drop off point of the said route in Yau Tong will be provided on Ko Chiu Road outside Lei Yue Mun Estate. Grave sweepers are advised that there will be no bus service on the day of full closure of the access road.

(III) Temporary Drop-off points for Taxis and Public Light Bus (PLB)

The following temporary drop-off points will be designated for taxi and PLB passengers for interchanging with KMB Route No. 14S or walking to the Cemetery:-

- 1) the non-restricted zone on Ko Chiu Road northbound near Ko Yee Estate;
- 2) the layby on Lei Yue Mun Road southbound outside Lei Yue Mun Road Playground;
- 3) the non-restricted zone on Lei Yue Mun Road northbound outside Lei Yue Mun Plaza; and
- 4) the non-restricted zone on Lei Yue Mun Road northbound outside Shuk Mei House of Yau Mei Court.

Serious traffic congestion is anticipated at the adjoining roads leading to Tseung Kwan O Chinese Permanent Cemetery on the day of and the holidays close to Ching Ming Festival. Taking into account the limited supply of parking spaces in the area, grave sweepers are advised to visit the Cemetery on other days and to use public transport. They are also advised to avoid going to the Cemetery during the busy hours between 12.00 noon and 2.00 pm. The opening hours of Tseung Kwan O Chinese Permanent Cemetery can be found in the official website of The Board of Management of The Chinese Permanent Cemeteries (BMCPCC).

More details can also be found in the following websites:

The Board of Management of The Chinese Permanent Cemeteries	www.bmcpc.org.hk
Hong Kong Police Force	www.police.gov.hk
Transport Department	www.td.gov.hk

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