

## **Transport Department Notice**

### **Operation Arrangements for Western Harbour Crossing upon Franchise Expiry**

Notice is hereby given to the public about the operation arrangements for Western Harbour Crossing (WHC) upon franchise expiry.

The WHC will be taken over by the Government on 2 August 2023 (Wednesday) and become a government tunnel. The Road Tunnels (Government) Ordinance and its subsidiary legislation will be applied in the tunnel area of the WHC. The Government will also implement new tolls at the three road harbour crossings, namely the WHC, Cross-Harbour Tunnel and Eastern Harbour Crossing at 0.00am on the same day.

To facilitate the takeover arrangement and the renewal of the toll collection facilities, the toll lanes of the WHC Toll Plaza will be closed briefly for about five minutes. Motorists should follow the instructions of on-site staff, and exercise tolerance and patience.

In addition, motorists should note that the toll tickets issued by the Western Harbour Tunnel Company Limited (WHTCL) for payment of tolls at the WHC, and current commercial promotion provided by the WHTCL including midnight toll promotion and coupons, etc., will be terminated upon the expiry of the WHC franchise.

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