

TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT NOTICE

**SPECIAL TRAFFIC AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS FOR
THE HONG KONG MARATHON 2010, 28 FEBRUARY 2010**

Notice is hereby given that special traffic and public transport arrangements will be implemented on Sunday, 28 February 2010 to facilitate the holding of Hong Kong Marathon 2010.

I. MAJOR ROAD CLOSURES FOR 10KM RACE ON ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR, HONG KONG ISLAND (see Plans 2 and 3)

The following major roads will be closed to all vehicular traffic at the time as specified below (except vehicles with labels issued by the organizer):

Phase I

From 2.00 am to about 9.00 am (depending on the exact finishing time of the 10Km race, and it is safe to re-open the roads to vehicular traffic):

- (i) Island Eastern Corridor eastbound between Victoria Park Road eastbound and Tung Hei Road slip road;
- (ii) the slip roads from Hing Fat Street, Man Hong Street and Taikoo Wan Road leading to Island Eastern Corridor eastbound; and
- (iii) the slip roads leading from Eastern Harbour Crossing Exit to Island Eastern Corridor eastbound.

Phase II

From 2.00 am to about 10.00 am (depending on the exact finishing time of the 10Km race, and it is safe to re-open the roads to vehicular traffic):-

- (i) Island Eastern Corridor westbound between Victoria Park Road westbound and Tung Hei Road slip road;
- (ii) the slip roads of Nam On Street, Chai Wan Road, Tai Hong Street, Oi Shun Road, Hong On Street, Taikoo Wan Road, King's Road westbound junction with Healthy Street Central, Tong Shui Road and Wharf Road leading to Island Eastern Corridor westbound;
- (iii) the slip roads leading from Eastern Harbour Crossing Exit to Island Eastern Corridor westbound (except the section up to the down ramp slip road leading to Man Hong Street); and

- (iv) Victoria Park Road westbound between the down ramp of Island Eastern Corridor westbound and Gloucester Road westbound (except the slow lane leading to Gloucester Road service road).

Phase III

From 4.00 am to about 7.30 am (depending on the exact finishing time of the 10Km race, and it is safe to re-open the roads to vehicular traffic):-

- (i) Hing Fat Street; and
- (ii) parts of Electric Road, Lau Li Street and Tsing Fung Street.

Phase IV

From 5.00 am to about 9.00 am (depending on the exact finishing time of the 10Km race, and it is safe to re-open the roads to vehicular traffic):-

- (i) Island Eastern Corridor westbound between Eastern Harbour Crossing Exit and the down ramp slip road leading to Man Hong Street.

Phase V

From 5.00 am to about 9.30 am (depending on the exact finishing time of the 10Km Race, and it is safe to re-open the roads to vehicular traffic):-

- (i) The flyover leading from Gloucester Road northbound to Gloucester Road westbound.

Phase VI

From 5.00 am to about 2.00 pm (depending on the exact finishing time of all marathon races, and it is safe to re-open the roads to vehicular traffic):-

- (i) Gloucester Road northbound between the u-turn slip road beneath Tai Hang Road flyover and Kingston Street;
- (ii) Gloucester Road southbound between Gloucester Road service road and Causeway Road (access to Tai Hang Road flyover southbound is allowed after 9.30 am); and
- (iii) Sugar Street, parts of Paterson Street and Kingston Street, and the fast lane of Great George Street leading to Gloucester Road southbound.

II. MAJOR ROAD CLOSURES FOR HALF AND FULL MARATHON (see Plans 1, 3 and 4)

The following major roads will be closed to all vehicular traffic at the time as

specified below (except vehicles with labels issued by the organizer):

HONG KONG ISLAND

Phase I

From 2.30 am to about 2.00 pm (depending on the exact finishing time of all marathon races, and it is safe to re-open the roads to vehicular traffic):

- (i) Connaught Road West flyover eastbound;
- (ii) the 1st and 2nd right traffic lanes of Connaught Road Central eastbound and Pedder Street underpass eastbound; and
- (iii) Harcourt Road flyover eastbound.

Phase II

From 6.00 am to about 2.00 pm (depending on the exact finishing time of all marathon races, and it is safe to re-open the roads to vehicular traffic):

- (i) Harcourt Road eastbound, Cotton Tree Dive northbound between Lambeth Walk and Harcourt Road, Tim Wa Avenue southbound; Tim Mei Avenue and Lung Wui Road;
- (ii) Performing Arts Avenue, Lung King Street, Fenwick Pier Street eastbound and Convention Avenue;
- (iii) Hung Hing Road, Tonnochy Road, Marsh Road northbound and Marsh Road flyover;
- (iv) Harbour Road eastbound between Fleming Road and Tonnochy Road;
- (v) Canal Road East and Canal Road West between Lockhart Road and Jaffe Road;
- (vi) Lockhart Road eastbound between Marsh Road and East Point Road;
- (vii) East Point Road and Cannon Street;
- (viii) Great George Street west of Paterson Street;
- (ix) the slow lane of Great George Street leading to Gloucester Road northbound;
- (x) Percival Street southbound between Lockhart Road and Gloucester Road service road;
- (xi) Percival Street between Lockhart Road and Hennessy Road;
- (xii) the fast lane of Gloucester Road westbound west of Arsenal Street, Harcourt Road westbound, Connaught Road Central westbound, Pedder Street Underpass westbound, Connaught Road West flyover westbound and Connaught Road West westbound between Des Voeux Road West and the entrance of Western Harbour Crossing;

- (xiii) Marsh Road northbound between Hennessy Road and Gloucester Road service road (if necessary); and
- (xiv) Lung Wo Road eastbound between Man Yiu Street and Tim Wa Avenue.

WESTERN HARBOUR CROSSING

The Hong Kong bound tube of Western Harbour Crossing will be closed from 1.00 am to about 2.00 pm (depending on the exact finishing time of all marathon races and re-opening of all connecting roads). The Kowloon bound tube will maintain normal traffic.

KOWLOON

Phase I

From 1.00 am to about 2.00 pm (depending on the exact finishing time of all marathon races, and it is safe to re-open the roads to vehicular traffic):

- (i) West Kowloon Highway southbound;
- (ii) the slip road leading from Lin Cheung Road northbound to Western Harbour Crossing;
- (iii) Lin Cheung Road southbound near the slip road leading to Tsim Sha Tsui;
- (iv) the slip road leading from Hoi Wang Road northbound to West Kowloon Highway southbound; and
- (v) the bus lane leading from Jordan Road to Western Harbour Crossing Toll Plaza.

Phase II

From 2.00 am to about 9.00 am or until it is safe to re-open the roads to vehicular traffic:

- (i) Nathan Road southbound between Kimberly Road and Middle Road;
- (ii) Nathan Road northbound between Salisbury Road and Bowring Street; and
- (iii) parts of Granville Road, Haiphong Road, Humphreys Avenue, Cameron Road, Carnarvon Road, Peking Road and Mody Road.

Phase III

From 4.30 am to about 9.00 am or until it is safe to re-open the roads to vehicular traffic:

- (i) Kowloon Park Drive southbound between Canton Road and Salisbury Road;
- (ii) parts of Haiphong Road, Peking Road and Middle Road; and
- (iii) Hankow Road, Lock Road, Ashley Road and Ichang Street.

Phase IV

From 5.40 am to about 9.00 am or until it is safe to re-open the roads to vehicular traffic:

- (i) Austin Road between Canton Road and Cox's Road;
- (ii) the slip road leading from West Kowloon Highway to Yau Ma Tei;
- (iii) Lin Cheung Road southbound between Lai Cheung Road and Jordan Road;
- (iv) Lin Cheung Road northbound between Austin Road West roundabout and the slip road leading from Lin Cheung Road northbound to West Kowloon Highway southbound;
- (v) Canton Road southbound between Jordan Road and Austin Road;
- (vi) Canton Road northbound between Austin Road and Wui Cheung Road;
- (vii) Jordan Road eastbound between the slip road leading from West Kowloon Highway northbound and Lin Cheung Road;
- (viii) Jordan Road westbound between Ferry Street and Lin Cheung Road (except franchised buses);
- (ix) Wui Cheung Road westbound;
- (x) Min Street, Scout Path, Pine Tree Hill Road, Hillwood Road, Kwun Chung Street, and parts of Shanghai Street, Temple Street, Parkes Street, Bowring Street, Woosung Street, Kimberly Road, Pilkem Street; and
- (xi) Nathan Road southbound between Jordan Road and Kimberly Road.

NEW TERRITORIES

From 12.01 am to about 2.00 pm (depending on the exact finishing time of all marathon races, and it is safe to re-open the roads to vehicular traffic):

- (i) Upper Deck of Lantau Link Kowloon bound;
- (ii) the southbound carriageway of Tsing Kwai Highway, Cheung Tsing Tunnel, Cheung Tsing Highway and Ting Kau Bridge;
- (iii) the slip road leading from Tuen Mun Road to Ting Kau Bridge southbound;
- (iv) exits from Lantau Link to Cheung Tsing Highway southbound;
- (v) the slip roads from Tsing Yi South Bridge, Kwai Chung Road and Tsuen Wan Road leading to Tsing Kwai Highway southbound;
- (vi) the eastbound carriageway of Tsing Sha Highway between the access road of Cheung Tsing Tunnel and West Kowloon Highway, Stonecutters Bridge, Nam Wan Tunnel;
- (vii) the slip road leading from Tsing Yi Hong Wan Road to Stonecutters Bridge eastbound;
- (viii) the slip road leading from Container Port Road South to Tsing Sha Highway (Ngong Shuen Chau Viaduct) eastbound; and
- (ix) the slip road from Mei Ching Road leading to West Kowloon Highway southbound (except vehicles leaving Container Port via Roundabout 6 to Mei Ching Road and Tsing Kwai Highway (New Territories bound)).

The above road closures will not affect vehicles from Kowloon/ New Territories East via Route 3 or Route 8 to various destinations, including the Airport, the Lantau, Ma Wan and New Territories West.

III. PUBLIC TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS

(A) Advancement of the First Departure of Train Services

The first departure of Mass Transit Railway services will be advanced on 28 February 2010 as follows:

<u>Line</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>First departure from terminal station</u>
Island Line	From Chai Wan to Sheung Wan	3.56 am
Island Line	From Sheung Wan to Chai Wan	4.14 am
Tsuen Wan Line	From Tsuen Wan to Central	3.55 am
Tsuen Wan Line	From Central to Tsuen Wan	4.22 am
Kwun Tong Line	From Tiu Keng Leng to Yau Ma Tei	3.46 am
Tseung Kwan O Line	From LOHAS Park to North Point	3.57 am
Tseung Kwan O Line	From Po Lam to North Point	4.00 am
East Rail Line	From Sheung Shui to Hung Hom	3.25 am
Ma On Shan Line	From Wu Kai Sha to Tai Wai	3.30 am
West Rail Line	From Tuen Mun to Hung Hom	3.25 am
Tung Chung Line	From Tung Chung to Hong Kong	3.40 am

(B) Special bus services

3 special bus services of routes no. R307 (Tai Po (Ting Tai Road) to Causeway Bay (Central Library)), R962 (Tuen Mun (Lung Mun Oasis) to Causeway Bay (Moreton Terrace)) and R969 (Tin Shui Wai Town Centre to Causeway Bay (Moreton Terrace)) will be operated from 3.10 am for runners going to Victoria Park.

(C) Bus Routes Diversion

In connection with road closures, **161** bus routes will be diverted on Hong Kong Island, Kowloon and the New Territories. They are:

- KMB: 1, 1A, 2, 2C, 3C, 6, 6A, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13X, 14, 26, 35A, 36B, 41A, 42A, 46, 60X, 61X, 62X, 63X, 68X, 69X, 81, 81C, 87D, 95, 98D, 203, 203E, 215X, 219X, 234X, 238X, 258D, 259D, 260X, 264M, 268B, 268C, 269B, 269C, 270A, 271, 279X, 281A, 296D, N216, N241, N271 and N281
- CTB: 5, 5X, 8X, 12M, **25A**, 25C, 780, 788, 789, A10, A11, A12, A21, A22, E11, E21, E21A, E22, E22A, E23, N11, N21, N21A, N23, N26 and N29

NWFB:	2, 2X, 8, 8P, 15, 18, 18P, 19, 25, 30X, 43X, 46X, 66, 720, M590, M722, N8P, N796 and H2
Long Win:	A31, A33, A41, A41P, A43, E31, E32, E33, E33P, E34, E34P, E34S, E41, E42, N30, N31, N42, N42A, R8 and R33
Crossing Harbour Routes:	102, 103, 104, 106, 108, 110, 118, 170, 307, 601, 603, 606, 619, 671, 680, 681, 682, 690, 692, 698R, 904, 905, 914, 930, 960, 961, 962, 962B, 967, 968, 969, 970, 970X, 971, 973, N170, N118, N619, N680, N691, N962 and N969

During 10Km Race and Closure of the Island Eastern Corridor

From 2.00 am, when Island Eastern Corridor is closed in phases:

- (i) bus routes on Island Eastern Corridor eastbound heading for Eastern Harbour Crossing and Eastern District will be diverted via Victoria Park Road eastbound, Java Road, King's Road, Kornhill Road and Shau Kei Wan Road; and those bus routes heading for Eastern Harbour Crossing will be diverted via Tai Hong Street and Sai Wan Ho entrance for access to the tunnel;
- (ii) bus routes on Island Eastern Corridor westbound heading for North Point and Wan Chai will be diverted via Shau Kei Wan Road, Kornhill Road and King's Road;
- (iii) bus routes from Eastern Harbour Crossing heading for North Point and Wan Chai will be diverted to use Sai Wan Ho exit and via Tai On Street, Shau Kei Wan Road, Kornhill Road and King's Road; and
- (iv) bus routes terminating at Tin Hau Station Public Transport Interchange and Whitfield Road will temporarily terminate at Tung Lo Wan Road near Queen's College or Causeway Road westbound outside Queen's College.

During Half and Full Marathon Races

From 12.01 am, when road closures are implemented in phases:

New Territories

- (i) bus routes from North Lantau to urban areas will be diverted via the Lower Deck of Lantau Link, Tsing Yi North Coastal Road, Tsing Tsuen Road, Tsuen Wan Road and Kwai Chung Road;
- (ii) bus routes on Ting Kau Bridge southbound heading for urban areas will be diverted via Tuen Mun Road, Tsuen Wan Road, Kwai Chung Road, Cheung Sha Wan Road, Lai Chi Kok Road and West Kowloon Corridor;
- (iii) bus routes from the northwest New Territories via Ting Kau Bridge heading for the Airport and North Lantau will be diverted via Tuen Mun Road, Tsuen Wan Road, Tsuen Tsing Interchange, Tsing Tsuen Road, Tsing Yi North Coastal Road, the slip road leading to Lantau Link and Lantau Link airport bound; and
- (iv) bus routes from the northwest New Territories and from Airport using Western Harbour Crossing heading for Hong Kong Island will be diverted via Cross Harbour Tunnel.

Kowloon

- (i) bus routes on Nathan Road southbound will be diverted via Public Square Street or Jordan Road; and will terminate at Canton Road near Jordan Road;
- (ii) bus routes on Nathan Road northbound will be diverted via Kowloon Park Drive, Canton Road, Jordan Road and Nathan Road;
- (iii) all bus routes terminating at Jordan (To Wah Road) Bus Terminus will terminate at Wui Cheung Road; and
- (iv) all bus routes terminating at Kowloon Station will temporarily terminate at Lin Cheung Road or Ferry Street near Jordan Road.

Hong Kong Island

- (i) bus routes on Connaught Road Central eastbound heading for Gloucester Road will be diverted via Cotton Tree Drive, Queensway and Arsenal Street flyover; or Des Voeux Road Central and Charter Road;
- (ii) bus routes on Gloucester Road eastbound heading for Eastern District and Cross Harbour Tunnel will omit Wan Chai North; and
- (iii) all bus routes terminating at Expo Drive East will temporarily terminate at Wan Chai Ferry Pier Bus Terminus.

Bus routes from urban areas heading for North Lantau and Airport on Western Harbour Crossing, West Kowloon Highway, Tsing Kwai Highway, Cheung Tsing Tunnel, Cheung Tsing Highway, Tsing Sha Highway and Lantau Link will not be affected.

(D) Suspension / Relocation of Bus Termini and Bus Stops

The following bus termini and bus stops located within the road closures area will be suspended or relocated in phases from 12.01 am:

Bus termini

- (i) Tin Hau Station Public Transport Interchange, Whitfield Road and Expo Drive East; and
- (ii) Jordan (To Wah Road) Bus Terminus and Kowloon Station.

Bus stops

- (i) Hing Fat Street, Gloucester Road southbound (outside Gate 6 of Victoria Park), Connaught Road Central eastbound (outside City Hall) and Cotton Tree Drive southbound (outside Lippo Centre);
- (ii) Convention Avenue eastbound, Fleming Road northbound and Harbour Road eastbound; and
- (iii) Nathan Road, Kowloon Park Drive and Canton Road south of Jordan Road.

(E) GMB Routes Diversion

27 GMB routes on Hong Kong Island, Kowloon and the New Territories will be diverted:

Hong Kong Island: 4A, 4C, 5, 10, 11, 25, 31, 39M, 49M, 61, 65, 69 and 69X
Kowloon: 3, 6, 6A, 7, 8, 26, 62S, 74, 77M, 78, 610S and 606S
New Territories: 140M and 308M

(F) Suspension of Taxi Stands and PLB/GMB Stands

(a) Taxi Stands

- (i) On Hong Kong Island, the taxi / cross harbour taxi stands, including taxi pick-up or drop-off points, at Electric Road, Lau Li Street, Expo Drive East, Paterson Street and Lockhart Road will be suspended in phases from 12.01 am until re-opening of roads; and
- (ii) In Kowloon, all taxi / cross harbour taxi stands, including taxi pick-up or drop-off points, within the road closure areas in Tsim Sha Tsui will be suspended in phases from 2.00 am until re-opening of roads.

(b) PLB/GMB Stands

- (i) On Hong Kong Island, the PLB / GMB stands and stops in Tin Hau Station Public Transport Interchange, Sugar Street, Lockhart Road, Jaffe Road, Cannon Street and Paterson Street will be suspended in phases from 12.01 am until reopening of roads; and
- (ii) In Kowloon, all GMB stands and stops within the road closure areas in Tsim Sha Tsui will be suspended in phases from 2.00 am until re-opening of roads.

IV. SUSPENSION OF PARKING SPACES

- (i) On Hong Kong Island, all or part of the on-street parking spaces on Lung King Street, Expo Drive East, Hing Fat Street, Tung Lo Wan Road, Lockhart Road and Jaffe Road will be suspended in phases from 10.00 pm on 27 February 2010 until re-opening of roads; and
- (ii) In Kowloon, the on-street parking spaces on Kimberly Road, Canton Road between Jordan Road and Saigon Street and Wui Cheung Road will be suspended in phases from 12.01 am on 28 February 2010 until re-opening of roads.

V. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR PEDESTRIAN PRECINCT

(i) Lifting of Pedestrian Precinct

During the period of road closures on Hong Kong Island, the Chater Road Pedestrian Precinct in Central will be lifted for vehicular traffic until about 3.00 pm or when all major road closures on Hong Kong Island are re-opened to vehicular traffic.

(ii). Extension of Lockhart Road, East Point Road and Great George Street Pedestrian Precinct

The pedestrian precinct on Lockhart Road (between Cannon Street and East Point Road), East Point Road and Great George Street (between East Point Road and Paterson Street) will be extended from 12.01 am to 12.00 midnight on 28 February 2010. The concerned roads will re-opened to all vehicular traffic from 12.01 am on 1 March 2010.

VI. RESTRICTION ON ACCESS TO/EXIT FROM CAR PARKS

During the period of the above road closures, all vehicles will not be permitted to enter or leave the car parks within the road closure areas in Great George Street, Lockhart Road, Park Lane Hotel and Tsim Sha Tsui until the roads are re-opened to vehicular traffic.

VII. TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT ON ACCESS TO TERMINAL FACILITIES

(i) Access to Kowloon Station

During the period of Phase IV road closure in West Kowloon (i.e. from 5.40 am to about 9.00 am), access to Kowloon Station will be diverted via Austin Road West westbound. Vehicles leaving the Kowloon Station will be diverted via Nga Cheung Road southbound, Austin Road West eastbound, Austin Road West roundabout, Austin Road West westbound, Nga Cheung Road elevated road and Hoi Po Road.

(ii) Access to China Hong Kong Terminal

During the period of Phase IV road closure in West Kowloon (i.e. from 5.40 am to about 9.00 am), access to China Hong Kong Terminal will be diverted via Salisbury Road westbound and Kowloon Park Drive northbound. Vehicles leaving the China Hong Kong Terminal will be diverted to Canton Road northbound, Austin Road West westbound, Nga Cheung Road elevated road and Hoi Po Road.

VIII. REMOVAL OF ILLEGALLY PARKED VEHICLES

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

IX. ATTENTION AND APPEAL

Appropriate traffic aids will be erected to guide motorists and notices will be displayed by public transport operators to advise passengers of the temporary arrangements.

Members of the public should pay particular attention to the road closures and public transport arrangements at New Territories South, Tsim Sha Tsui areas, Island Eastern Corridor, other major roads on Hong Kong Island, Lockhart Road, East Point Road, Great George Street and in the vicinity of Paterson Street shopping areas.

Members of the public are advised to plan their routes early, use alternate routes and allow more travelling time to cater for unexpected delay. Bus and other public transport commuters are advised to pay attention to the arrangements of route diversions and suspension / relocation of stops.

The Transport Department anticipates that the traffic at King's Road, Shau Kei Wan Road, Gloucester Road, Connaught Road Central, Garden Road downhill to Admiralty and Hong Kong bound Cross Harbour Tunnel will be very congested. Motorists are advised not to drive to the affected / congested areas, especially Central and Causeway Bay unless really necessary and should exercise tolerance and patience in cases of traffic congestion and follow instructions given by the Police.

Taxi and public light bus drivers who will go to Wan Chai North for refilling are advised to take note of the road closure arrangements implemented in the area.

Depending on the prevailing circumstances, other ad-hoc traffic and public transport measures, including further closures of roads, traffic diversion, alterations and suspension of public transport services, may be introduced by the Police at short notice. Members of the public are advised to watch out for the latest traffic news on radio and television.

Members of the public may dial 1823 Call Centre or browse Transport Department website: www.td.gov.hk for the details of the above traffic and public transport arrangements.

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