

TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT NOTICE

Special Traffic and Transport Arrangements for Beijing 2008 Olympic Torch Relay in Hong Kong on 2 May 2008

Notice is hereby given that the following special traffic and transport arrangements will be implemented on Friday, 2 May 2008 to facilitate the holding of the following events in relation to the Beijing 2008 Olympic Torch Relay in Hong Kong:

- (i) The Olympic Torch Relay;
- (ii) The Launching Ceremony at Hong Kong Cultural Center at Tsim Sha Tsui;
- (iii) The Community Celebration of Beijing 2008 Torch Relay in Hong Kong at Shatin Race Course; and
- (iv) The Closing Ceremony at Golden Bauhinia Square and Cocktail Reception at Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre New Wing.

I. SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS

(A) ROAD CLOSURE

The following roads will be closed to all vehicular traffic from 12.00 noon to 8.00 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

- (i) Expo Drive;
- (ii) Expo Drive Central; and
- (iii) Expo Drive East.

(B) TRAFFIC CONTROL MEASURES

Traffic control measures including temporary road closures and diversion will be implemented by the Police at major road junctions along the Olympic Torch Relay route depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions. These traffic control measures will be lifted as soon as practicable.

KOWLOON (A.M. SESSION)

From about 10.00 a.m. to about 11.30 a.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

Roads and junctions that may be affected:

- (i) Salisbury Road between Nathan Road and Canton Road;
- (ii) Salisbury Road between Chatham Road South and Nathan Road;
- (iii) Nathan Road northbound between Salisbury Road and Austin Road;
- (iv) Austin Road westbound between Nathan Road and Canton Road;
- (v) Middle Road between Nathan Road and Kowloon Park Drive;
- (vi) Peking Road;
- (vii) Kowloon Park Drive;
- (viii) Canton Road;



- (ix) Haiphong Road;
- (x) Scout Path; and
- (xi) Other roads and junctions within the Tsim Sha Tsui area south of Jordan Road.

NEW TERRITORIES

(a) From about 10.30 a.m. to about 12.30 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

Roads that will be closed:

- (i) The upper deck of Lantau Link Kowloon bound;
- (ii) The slow lane of the slip road leading from the upper deck of Lantau Link Kowloon bound to Tsing Yi North Coastal Road; and
- (iii) Ma Wan Road leading from Ma Wan to upper deck of Lantau Link Kowloon bound.

(b) From about 12.00 noon to about 2.00 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

Roads that will be closed:

- (i) Yuen Wo Road westbound between Fo Tan Road and Sha Tin Rural Committee Road;
- (ii) Sha Tin Rural Committee Road southbound between Yuen Wo Road and Tai Chung Kiu Road;
- (iii) Sha Tin Wai Road southbound;
- (iv) Siu Lek Yuen Road northbound between Sha Tin Wai Road and Tai Chung Kiu Road;
- (v) Tai Chung Kiu Road eastbound between Siu Lek Yuen Road and On Sum Street; and
- (vi) On King Street east of On Sum Street.

KOWLOON (P.M. SESSION)

From about 3.00 p.m. to about 4.00 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

Roads and junctions that may be affected:

- (i) Hung Hom Bypass; and
- (ii) Salisbury Road westbound between Mody Lane and Hung Hom Bypass.

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From about 3.30 p.m. to about 5.30 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

Roads and junctions that may be affected:

- (i) Man Fai Street;
- (ii) Man Kwong Street eastbound;
- (iii) Man Yiu Street;
- (iv) Connaught Place northbound between Connaught Road Central and Man Yiu Street;

- (v) Junction of Connaught Road Central eastbound and Connaught Place northbound;
- (vi) Connaught Road Central westbound between Pedder Street and Jackson Road;
- (vii) Pedder Street;
- (viii) Queen's Road Central;
- (ix) Jackson Road;
- (x) Chater Road;
- (xi) Murray Road;
- (xii) Queensway;
- (xiii) Harcourt Road;
- (xiv) Hennessy Road eastbound between Queensway and Fleming Road;
- (xv) Fleming Road;
- (xvi) Fleming Road flyover;
- (xvii) Expo Drive East;
- (xviii) Expo Drive north of Expo Drive Central; and
- (xix) Other roads and junctions in Central, Admiralty, Wan Chai and Wan Chai North areas.

II. PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES ARRANGEMENTS

KOWLOON (A.M. SESSION)

(A) BUS SERVICES

(a) Bus Stop Suspension

The bus stop at Salisbury Road westbound outside Cultural Centre will be suspended from 6.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

(b) Bus Route Diversion

The following bus routes will be temporarily diverted from about 10.00 a.m. to about 11.30 a.m. as specified below depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion before resuming normal routeing</u>
KMB 13X, 26, 35A, 41A, 81C, 87D, 98D, 208, 219X, 224X and 234X	From Hung Hom/Tsim Sha Tsui East	via Chatham Road South, Salisbury Road, Hong Chong Road, Gascoigne Road and Nathan Road.
KMB 28	To Tsim Sha Tsui East (Mody Road)	omit Star Ferry Bus Terminus.
KMB 268B, 269B and 260X	To New Territories	via Salisbury Road, Chatham Road South, Gascoigne Road and Nathan Road.

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion before resuming normal routing</u>
KMB 1, 1A, 2, 6, 6A, 7 and 9	Converted to circular	via Nathan Road southbound, Salisbury Road, Chatham Road South, Gascoigne Road and Nathan Road.
KMB 63X	To Tin Tsz	via Canton Road, Jordan Road and Nathan Road.
CTB A21	To Airport	via Chatham Road South southbound, Mody Road, Mody Lane, Salisbury Road, Hung Hom Bypass and Gascoigne Road.
CTB 973	To Hong Kong	via Mody Road, Chatham Road South, Gascoigne Road and Jordan Road.
	To Tsim Sha Tsui East	via Austin Road, Cheong Wan Road, Hong Tai Path, Hong Wing Path and Hong Tat Path.
KMB 63X, 281A, 296D	To Tsim Sha Tsui	via Nathan Road, Jordan Road and Canton Road
KMB 2C, 268B, 269B, 260X	To Hung Hom	via Jordan Road and Gascoigne Road
KMB 215X, 281A, 296D XHT 110	To Tsim Sha Tsui	via Jordan Road and Nathan Road northbound

(c) Bus Route Truncation

The following bus routes will be temporarily truncated from about 10.00 a.m. to about 11.30 a.m. as specified below depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Truncation</u>
KMB 5, 5C, 8, 8A, 215X XHT 110	To Star Ferry Pier	Truncated at Tsim Sha Tsui East (Mody Road) Bus Terminus
KMB 8P	To Star Ferry Pier	Truncated as circular route at Chatham Road South junction with Salisbury Road. Return via Salisbury Road eastbound
KMB 271	To Tsim Sha Tsui	Truncated as circular route via Jordan Road and roundabout near Ngo Cheung Road
KMB K16	To Tsim Sha Tsui	Truncated at Wui Cheung Road Bus Terminus
KMB 12	To Tsim Sha Tsui	Truncated as circular route via Ferry Street, Jordan Road, Canton Road and Kansu Street.

(B) GREEN MINIBUS (GMB) SERVICES

(a) GMB Service Adjustment

The following GMB routes will be temporarily adjusted from about 10.00 a.m. to about 11.30 a.m. as specified below depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion before resuming normal routing</u>
GMB 3	To Tsim Sha Tsui	Converted to circular via Shanghai Street, Jordan Road and Ferry Street.
	To Tai Kok Tsui	Suspended at Ashley Road Terminus.
GMB 77M	Both directions	Suspension.
GMB 78	To Tsim Sha Tsui	Diverted via Ferry Street, Jordan Road, Canton Road, Kansu Street and Ferry Street.
GMB 6 and 6A	To Tsim Sha Tsui	Converted to circular via Austin Road, Cox's Road, Jordan Road, Ferry Street, Saigon Street, Wai Ching Street, Jordan Road, Cox's Road and Austin Road.
	To Whampoa	Suspended at Hankow Road Terminus.
GMB 8	To Tsim Sha Tsui	Converted to circular via Chatham Road South, Salisbury Road, Mody Lane, Mody Road and Chatham Road South.
	To Ho Man Tin	Suspended at Hankow Road Terminus.

(C) CROSS BOUNDARY COACH SERVICE

The cross boundary coach services terminating at Austin Road will be affected by the torch relay.

NEW TERRITORIES

(A) BUS SERVICES

(a) Bus Route Diversion in Lantau Link and Tsing Yi

The following bus routes will be temporarily diverted from about 10.30 a.m. to about 12.30 p.m. as specified below depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion before resuming normal routing</u>
CTB A10, A11, A12, A21, A22, E11, E21, E22, E22A, E23 LW A31, A43, E31, E32, E33, E34, E42	To Kowloon / New Territories	via lower deck of Lantau Link

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion before resuming normal routeing</u>
CTB E21A LW A41, A41P, E41	To Kowloon/ New Territories	via lower deck of Lantau Link, Cheung Tsing Highway, Tsing Yi Road West, Fung Shue Wo Road, Tam Kon Shan Interchange and Tsing Tsuen Road

(b) Bus Route Diversion and Frequency Reduction in Sha Tin District

The following bus routes will be temporarily diverted and their service frequency will be reduced from about 12.00 noon to about 2.00 p.m. as specified below depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion before resuming normal routeing</u>
KMB 40X, 85K, 86K, 299, 80K, 86, 49X, 83K, 89X, 284, 43X LW A41, A41P	To/ via Sha Tin Central	via Sha Tin Wai Road.
KMB 73A	To Choi Yuen	via Sha Tin Wai Road, Sha Tin Rural Committee Road and Tai Po Road (Sha Tin section).
KMB 81C, 86C, 82M, 85A, 87A XHT 182	To / via Kowloon	via Sha Tin Wai Road.
KMB 40X, 85K, 43X, 81C, 86C, LW A41P	To Ma On Shan	via Tai Po Road (Sha Tin section), Tolo Highway, Ma Liu Shui roundabout, Tate's Cairn Highway and Shek Mun Interchange.
KMB 49X, 82M, 83K, 86, 89X, 73A, 80K, 85A, 82M, 284 XHT 182	To / via Siu Lek Yuen	via Tai Po Road (Sha Tin section), Tolo Highway, Ma Liu Shui roundabout, Tate's Cairn Highway and Shek Mun Interchange.
KMB 86K, 299	To Ma On Shan	via Tai Po Road (Sha Tin section), Tolo Highway, Ma Liu Shui roundabout, Tate's Cairn Highway and Ma On Shan Road.
KMB 80X	To Kwun Tong	via Sha Kok Street, Sha Tin Wai Road, Tai Chung Kiu Road, Hung Mui Kuk Road, Lion Rock Tunnel Road and Sha Tin Road.

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion before resuming normal routeing</u>
KMB 47X, 81K, XHT 170	To / via Chun Shek	via Sha Tin Rural Committee Road, Tai Po Road (Sha Tin section) and Lion Rock Tunnel Road.
KMB 48X, 81, 89, 269D, 70, 72, 72A, 81K, 80M, 85, 88K	To / via Sha Tin Central	via Fo Tan Road, Tai Po Road (Sha Tin section) and Sha Tin Rural Committee Road.
KMB 82X, 89D	To / via Kwong Yuen	via Tate's Cairn Highway, Sha Tin Wai Road, Ngau Pei Sha Street, Kwong Sin Street and Siu Lek Yuen Road.
KMB 84M, 85C, 89C, 87D XHT 680 and 682	To Ma On Shan	via Tate's Cairn Highway and Shek Mun Interchange
LW A41	To Sha Tin	via Sha Tin Rural Committee Road, Tai Po Road (Sha Tin section), Lion Rock Tunnel Road, Tai Chung Kiu Road, Sha Tin Rural Committee Road, Tai Po Road (Sha Tin section), Tolo Highway, Ma Liu Shui roundabout, Tate's Cairn Highway, Shek Mun Interchange, Tai Chung Kiu Road and Siu Lek Yuen Road
LW E42	To The Airport	via Sha Kok Street, Tai Chung Kiu Road and Lion Rock Tunnel Road
KMB 84M	To Lok Fu	via Tai Chung Kiu Road, Siu Lek Yuen Road and Tate's Cairn Highway.
KMB 87D	To Hunghom Station	via Tate's Cairn Highway, Sha Lek Highway and Sha Tin Road
KMB 281A	To Kowloon Station	via Sha Tin Wai Road and Sha Tin Road.
KMB 281A	To Kwong Yuen	via Sha Lek Highway, Shek Mun Interchange, Tai Chung Kiu Road and Siu Lek Yuen Road.

(B) GREEN MINIBUS (GMB) SERVICES

(a) GMB Route Diversion in Tsing Yi

The following GMB route will be temporarily diverted from about 10.30 a.m. to about 12.30 p.m. as specified below depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion before resuming normal routing</u>
308M (special trips)	Both bounds	omit Lantau Link Visitors' Centre

(b) GMB Route Diversion and Frequency Reduction in Sha Tin District

The following GMB routes will be temporarily diverted and their service frequency will be reduced from about 12.00 noon to about 2.00 p.m. as specified below depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion before resuming normal routing</u>
GMB 65A, 65K, 67K, 801, 801S, 810, 811, 811A	To / via Sha Tin Central	via Sha Tin Wai Road and Sha Tin Rural Committee Road.
GMB 803, 804	To Hin Keng	via Sha Tin Wai Road and Tai Chung Kiu Road.
GMB 65A, 65K, 67K, 801, 801S, 810, 811, 811A	To / via Siu Lek Yuen	via Tai Po Road (Sha Tin section), Ma Liu Shui roundabout, Tate's Cairn Highway and Shek Mun Interchange.
GMB 803, 804	To / via Siu Lek Yuen	via Hung Mui Kuk Road, Lion Rock Tunnel Road, Sha Tin Road, Sha Lek Highway, Tate's Cairn Highway and Shek Mun Interchange.
GMB 60K, 62K	To Sha Tin Station	via Fo Tan Road, Tai Po Road (Sha Tin section) and Sha Tin Rural Committee Road.
GMB 809K	To Sha Tin Central	via Sha Kok Street, Tai Chung Kiu Road, and Sha Tin Rural Committee Road.
GMB 809K, 809A	To Sha Kok	via Sha Tin Rural Committee Road, Tai Po Road (Sha Tin section), Lion Rock Tunnel Road and Sha Kok Street.

(c) GMB Route Truncation and Frequency Reduction in Sha Tin District

The following GMB routes will be temporarily truncated and their service frequency will be reduced from about 12.00 noon to about 2.00 p.m. as specified below depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Truncation</u>
GMB 808	Both bounds	Truncated at Ngau Pei Sha New Village

(d) GMB Special Service in Sha Tin District

The following GMB special service will be operated from about 12.00 noon to about 2.00 p.m. as specified below depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Routeing</u>
GMB 811 (special service) (via Prince of Wales Hospital)	Both bounds	via Yu Chui Court Public Transport Interchange, Ngau Pei Sha Street, Chap Wai Kon Street, Prince of Wales Hospital, Ngan Shing Street, Pak Tak Street, Po Shing Street, Hang Shing Street, Lok Shing Street, Tak Po Street, Tak Yi Street, Ngan Shing Street, Prince of Wales Hospital, Chap Wai Kon Street, Chui Yan Street and Yu Chui Court Public Transport Interchange.

(C) RESIDENTS' SERVICES

(a) Residents' Service Suspension in Ma Wan

The following residents' services will be suspended as specified below depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Period of service suspension</u>
NR330	To Tsing Yi	from about 10.30 a.m. to about 12.30 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions
NR331	To Tsuen Wan	
NR332	To Kwai Fong	
NR334	To The Airport	

(b) Residents' Service Frequency Reduction in Ma Wan

The frequency of residents' services NR330 and NR332 (Ma Wan bound) will be reduced from about 10.30 a.m. to about 12.30 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions.

(D) FERRY SERVICES IN MA WAN

The service frequency of the "Ma Wan – Tsuen Wan" ferry service will be strengthened from about 10.30 a.m. to about 12.30 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions.

(E) FREE SHUTTLE SERVICE

Free shuttle services between Tsuen Wan Ferry Pier and Tsuen Wan Station will be provided from about 10.30 a.m. to about 12.30 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions.

(F) CROSS BOUNDARY COACH SERVICE

The cross boundary coach services from the Airport on their journeys to the boundary control points will be diverted via the lower deck of Lantau Link Kowloon bound from about 10.30 a.m. to about 12.30 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions.

KOWLOON (P.M. SESSION)

(A) BUS SERVICES

(a) Bus Route Diversion

The following bus routes will be temporarily diverted from about 3.00 p.m. to about 4.00 p.m. as specified below depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion before resuming normal routing</u>
KMB 5A, 268B, 269B	To Tsim Sha Tsui	via Chatham Road North and Chatham Road South
KMB 8P	To Tsim Sha Tsui	via Hung Hom Bypass slip road, Cheong Wan Road and Chatham Road South.
KMB 260X	To Tsim Sha Tsui	via Cheong Wan Road and Chatham Road South

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(A) BUS SERVICES

(a) Bus Route Suspension

The following bus routes will be suspended during the period as specified below, depending on the actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Period of service suspension</u>
CTB 3B, 5, 6, 6X, 12, 12A, 12M, 75, 90, 97, 789 NWFB 2, 15C, M590, 720 XHT 117, 690, 692	Both bounds	from about 3.30 p.m. to about 5.30 p.m. depending on the actual traffic and crowd conditions
NWFB 4X, 23B, M722	To Central	
NWFB 25	To Braemar Hill	
XHT 930, 962B, 962X, 967	To New Territories	
NWFB 23A, 43X, 46X	Both bounds	from about 3.30 p.m. to the last departure depending on the actual traffic and crowd conditions

(b) Bus Route Diversion and Frequency Reduction



The following bus routes will be temporarily diverted and their service frequency will be reduced during the period from about 3.30 p.m. to about 5.30 p.m., depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion before resuming normal routing</u>
CTB 1, 5B, 10, 37B, 780, 788 NWFB 18, 720A	To Eastern District / Southern District	via Connaught Road Central, Harcourt Road and Gloucester Road.
XHT 101, 104, 109, 111, 113, 115, 182, 307, 601, 603, 619, 680, 681	To Kowloon	
XHT 914, 962, 968, 969, A11, E11	To Hong Kong	
NWFB 26	To Braemar Hill	via Wyndham Street, Lower Albert Road, Garden Road, Cotton Tree Drive, Harcourt Road, Gloucester Road, Victoria Park Road, Wing Hing Street, King's Road, Tung Lo Wan Road and Tai Hang Road flyover
NWFB 23	To North Point	via Gloucester Road, Victoria Park Road, Wing Hing Street and King's Road
XHT 103	To Kowloon	via Gloucester Road, Victoria Park Road, Gloucester Road, Percival Street and Hennessy Road
XHT 103	To Hong Kong	via Gloucester Road service road, Harcourt Road, Cotton Tree Drive slip road and Cotton Tree Drive
NWFB 13, 66	To Central	via Connaught Road Central, Man Kat Street, Man Cheung Street, Man Yiu Street, Harbour View Street and Exchange Square Bus Terminus
CTB 780, 788 NWFB 18P XHT 104, 115, 182, 307, 603, 619, 681 XHT A11, A12, E11	To Central To Hong Kong To Airport	via Gloucester Road, Harcourt Road, Cotton Tree Drive, Queensway and Des Voeux Road Central
XHT 962	To Kowloon	via Queen's Road Central, Pottinger Street and Connaught Road Central

(c) Bus Route Truncation and Frequency Reduction

The following bus routes will be temporarily truncated and their service frequency will be reduced during the period from about 3.30 p.m. to about 5.30 p.m. as specified below depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Truncation</u>
CTB 7, 71, M47 NWFB 3A, 4, 30X, 91, XHT 603 XHT 930, 962B, 962X, 967	Both bounds To Hong Kong	Converted into circular operation and truncated at Sheung Wan Truncated at Sheung Wan
CTB 11, 25A, 25C NWFB 590A	Both bounds	Truncated at Wan Chai
CTB 40, 40M, 90B	Both bounds	Truncated at Central
CTB 70, 260	To Central	Truncated at Admiralty
NWFB 2A, 2X, 8, 8P	Both bounds	Converted to circular operation and truncated at Tin Lok lane
XHT 905, 960, 961	To Hong Kong To Kowloon	Diverted via Connaught Road Central, Harcourt Road, Gloucester Road and truncated at Gloucester Road Omitted Wan Chai Ferry Bus Terminus and Fleming Road on departures operating from Hennessy Road.

(d) Bus Frequency Reduction

The frequency of bus routes CTB 1, 10, 37A, NWFB 13, 15, 18, 18P, 23, 66, 590A, XHT 101, 111, 113 and 969 will be reduced during the period from about 3.30 p.m. to about 5.30 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions.

(B) GREEN MINIBUS (GMB) SERVICES

(a) GMB Route Suspension

GMB routes 4A, 6 and 11 (both bounds) will be suspended from about 3.30 p.m. to about 5.30 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions.

(b) GMB Route Diversion and Frequency Reduction

The following GMB routes will be temporarily diverted and their service frequency will be reduced as specified below during the period from about 3.30 p.m. to about 5.30 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions:

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion before resuming normal routeing</u>
GMB 1, 2, 3, 3A	Both bounds	via Ice House Street, Queen's Road Central, D'Aguilar Street, Wellington Street, Lyndhurst Terrace, Hollywood Road, Wyndham Street, Lower Albert Road and Cotton Tree

<u>Routes</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion before resuming normal routing</u>
		Drive
GMB 8, 22, 22S	Both bounds	via Ice House Street, Queen's Road Central, D'Aguilar Street, Wellington Street, Lyndhurst Terrace, Hollywood Road, Arbuthnot Road and Caine Road
GMB 1A, 9	Both bounds	via Kennedy Road, Upper Albert Road, Albany Road, Glenealy, Wyndham Street, Wellington Street, Lyndhurst Terrace, Hollywood Road, Wyndham Street, Lower Albert Road and Cotton Tree Drive
GMB 28	To Causeway Bay	via Wyndham Street, Lower Albert Road, Cotton Tree Drive and Kennedy Road
GMB 56, 56A	To North Point / Causeway Bay	via Upper Albert Road, Cotton Tree Drive and Kennedy Road
GMB 54	To Central	via Connaught Road Central eastbound, u-turn at Pedder Street, Connaught Road Central westbound
GMB 10, 31	To Causeway Bay	via Upper Albert Road, Garden Road, Cotton Tree Drive, Harcourt Road, Gloucester Road, Victoria Park Road, Gloucester Road, Percival Street, Lockhart Road and Cannon Street
GMB 24A, 24M, 35M	To Wan Chai	via Queen's Road East, Tai Wong Street East and Johnston Road

(c) **GMB Frequency Reduction**

The frequency of GMB route 55 (both bounds) will be reduced during the period from about 3.30 p.m. to about 5.30 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions.

(C) **TRAM SERVICE**

The tram service between Central and Wan Chai; and from Tin Lok Lane to Central will be intermittently held during the Olympic Torch Relay.

(D) **CROSS BOUNDARY COACH SERVICE**

The cross boundary coach service plying between Wan Chai Ferry Pier and Huanggang on its journey to Wan Chai will be diverted via Harcourt Road and Gloucester Road from about 3.30 p.m. to about 5.30 p.m. depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions.

(E) FERRY SERVICE

The outlying island ferry services at Victoria Harbour and cross-harbour ferry services at Central, Wan Chai, Tsim Sha Tsui and Hung Hom may be affected by the Olympic Torch Relay from about 3.30 p.m. to about 4.30 p.m.

III. SUSPENSION OF BUS TERMINUS

The bus terminus at Expo Drive East will be suspended from 12.01 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. CTB 25A, 25C and XHT 961 will be terminated at Wan Chai Ferry Pier Bus Terminus. Bus passengers should pay attention that from about 3.30 p.m. to about 5.30 p.m., the service of these bus routes will be temporarily diverted/truncated depending on actual traffic and crowd conditions as stated above.

IV. SUSPENSION OF TAXI STANDS

Kowloon

The taxi stands at Star Ferry Pier and Austin Road outside Hong Kong Scout Centre will be suspended from 8.00 a.m. and 10.00 a.m. respectively until traffic control measures are lifted.

Hong Kong Island

The cross harbour and local taxi stands at the following locations will be suspended during the time specified below:

<u>Time</u>	<u>Location of taxi stands</u>
From 12.01 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.	(i) Expo Drive East.
From 3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.	(i) Man Kwong Street outside Central Ferry Piers No. 3, 6, 7 and 9; (ii) Lockhart Road eastbound near O'Brien Road; and (iii) Lockhart Road eastbound near Marsh Road.

V. SUSPENSION OF GMB STANDS

Kowloon

The GMB stands at Ashley Road and Hankow Road will be suspended from about 10.00 a.m. until the resumption of normal services of the concerned GMB routes.



New Territories

The GMB stand of GMB Route No. 308M at Lantau Link Visitors' Centre will be suspended from about 10.30 a.m. to about 12.30 p.m. until the resumption of normal services of the GMB route.

The GMB stand of GMB Route No. 808 at Chap Wai Kon Street will be suspended from about 12.00 noon to about 2.00 p.m. until the resumption of normal services of the GMB route.

Hong Kong Island

The GMB stands at Man Kwong Street outside Central Ferry Piers No. 6 will be suspended from 3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. until the resumption of normal services of the concerned GMB routes.

VI. SUSPENSION OF PARKING SPACES

New Territories

The metered parking spaces at the northern end of On King Street adjacent to Pictorial Garden and at Yuen Wo Road near Shatin Fire Station will be suspended from 7.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.

Hong Kong Island

The on-street metered parking spaces and parking spaces at the following locations will be suspended during the time specified below:

<u>Time</u>	<u>Location of parking spaces</u>
From 8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.	Coach metered parking spaces at Expo Drive East.
From 3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.	Metered parking spaces and parking spaces at Lockhart Road eastbound between Arsenal Street and Marsh Road.

VII. TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF LANTAU LINK VIEW POINT CAR PARK IN TSING YI

The Lantau Link View Point Car Park in Tsing Yi operates daily from 7.30 a.m. to 12.15 a.m. the next day (except special occasions). Except authorised, members of the public are not allowed to enter the closed car park and vehicles are not allowed to stay in the car park as from 12.15 a.m. on 2 May 2008. On 2 May 2008, the car park will be temporarily closed for use by members of the public from 7.30 a.m. to about 1.30 p.m. The exact re-opening time will be subject to site situation.

As from 12.15 a.m. on 2 May 2008, unauthorised vehicles found parking in this car park will be towed away without prior notice.

VIII. TEMPORARY RESTRICTION ON ACCESS TO/EXIT FROM CAR PARKS

During the implementation of traffic control arrangements, vehicles will not be permitted to enter or leave the car parks along affected roads at Austin Road and Salisbury Road in Tsim Sha Tsui, Yuen Wo Road, Tai Chung Kui Road and On King Street in Sha Tin, Central Ferry Piers, Murray Road, Queensway and Hennessy Road on Hong Kong Island until the roads are re-opened to vehicular traffic.

IX. TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF FOOTBRIDGES

The footbridges along the torch relay route in Central and Wan Chai may be temporarily closed by the Police during the Olympic Torch Relay. Members of the public using the footbridges, including those to and from the Central Ferry Piers and Wan Chai Ferry Pier, may not be permitted access to these footbridges until they are re-opened.

X. REMOVAL OF ILLEGALLY PARKED VEHICLES

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

XI. ATTENTION AND APPEAL

Motorists should pay particular attention to the traffic control and road closure arrangements along the Olympic Torch Relay route. They are advised not to drive to the affected/congested areas, especially Tsim Sha Tsui, Sha Tin Town Centre, Central, Admiralty and Wan Chai unless really necessary and use non-road based public transport services as far as possible. They are advised to plan their routes early, use alternative routes and allow more travelling time to cater for unexpected delay. Motorists should exercise tolerance and patience in case of traffic congestion, follow instructions of the Police and watch out for the latest traffic news through the media.

Bus and other public transport commuters are advised to watch out the arrangements of route diversions, suspension, truncation, frequency reduction and relocation of stops. Notices will be displayed by public transport operators to advise passengers of the temporary public transport services arrangements.

Taxi and public light bus drivers travelling to Wan Chai North for LPG refilling are advised to take note of the traffic control and road closure arrangements to be implemented in the area.

Members of the public, including those candidates attending public examinations, primary and secondary students, parents, school principals, drivers and escorts of school bus services are advised to watch out for announcements by the Transport Department and the Police and the latest traffic and transport news through radio and television broadcast. They can also browse through Transport Department website www.td.gov.hk or call the Department's 24-hour Hotline 1834567 for more details.

Depending on the prevailing circumstances, other ad-hoc traffic and public transport measures including further closures of roads and footbridges, traffic diversions, alterations and suspension of public transport services, may be adopted by the Police at short notice. The Transport Department would like to appeal to the public for their cooperation with the frontline police officers on site as well as understanding and support for all the arrangements made.

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