

**Preventive measures for COVID-19
implemented by the Legislative Council Secretariat
(Updated on 20 January 2021)**

In view of the latest situation of the COVID-19 epidemic, the Legislative Council ("LegCo") Secretariat ("Secretariat") will continue to arrange staff to work from home **until 27 January 2021**, except those who are responsible for servicing Council meetings or committee meetings and maintaining basic operation of the Secretariat, and those performing on-site duties. In addition, the Secretariat will continue to implement the following special arrangements and epidemic prevention measures:

- (a) all persons who have undergone the COVID-19 testing (especially compulsory testing) and whose test results have not yet been confirmed negative will be denied entry into the LegCo Complex ("the Complex");
- (b) Public Entrance 2 and entrance to the four-lift lobby at LG1 will be open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm from Monday to Sunday, or 30 minutes after the end of the last meeting of the day (whichever is the later);
- (c) on the days when the Council or its committees are sitting, Members' Entrance 2, Footbridge Entrance and entrance to the three-lift lobby at LG1 will be open from 7:00 am to 30 minutes after the end of the last meeting of the day. **These entrances will be closed on a day when no physical meeting is held;**
- (d) on-site services of the LegCo Library and the Archives will be suspended, but enquiry services will be provided;
- (e) counter services of the Public Complaints Office will be suspended; and
- (f) a maximum of 10 members of the public will be admitted to observe meetings of the Council and its committees, with a view to reducing the number of observers at the Public Galleries of the Chamber/conference rooms.

2. The following arrangements and epidemic prevention measures will continue to apply:

- (a) all persons who are subject to compulsory quarantine will be denied entry into the Complex. All Secretariat staff, others who work at the Complex and visitors who have had close contact with initially confirmed cases and confirmed cases of COVID-19 or persons who are subject to compulsory quarantine, will also be denied entry into the Complex;
- (b) all persons entering the Complex are subject to body temperature screening. Any persons who refuse to undergo body temperature screening or whose body temperature is higher than 37.5°C may be denied entry into the Complex;

- (c) the Complex is closed from 8:00 pm each day (or 30 minutes after the end of the last meeting of the day, whichever is the later) to 7:00 am the following day. All Complex users must leave before the closing time of the Complex;
- (d) the facilities of the Complex will be cleaned and disinfected more frequently;
- (e) all persons entering the Complex are required to walk on the disinfectant floor mat at the entrance before entry;
- (f) hand sanitizers are provided at the reception counters, pantries and toilets; and
- (g) the LegCo Cafeteria remains open but will implement the requirements applicable to catering premises.

3. Complex users are strongly advised to maintain good personal hygiene (including wearing surgical masks and performing hand hygiene at all times), minimize the number of people gathering when conducting any activities inside the Complex, and keep abreast of the latest health information disseminated by the Centre for Health Protection:

<https://www.chp.gov.hk/en/index.html>



Website of the Centre for Health Protection

- 4. The Secretariat will review the relevant epidemic prevention measures and announce the latest arrangements in due course in the light of the development of the epidemic.
- 5. For enquiries, please contact the Estate and Security Office at 3919 3044.

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