

## **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BRIEF**

Road Traffic Ordinance (Cap. 374)

### **Road Traffic (Traffic Control) (Designation of Prohibited and Restricted Zones) (Amendment) Notice 2018**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The Airport Authority, with the approval of the Commissioner for Transport, has made a notice to update the prohibited and restricted zones in the Road Traffic (Traffic Control) (Designation of Prohibited and Restricted Zones) Notice (Cap. 374 sub. leg. U) under the Road Traffic Ordinance (Cap. 374).

#### **BACKGROUND**

2. Regulation 14(1) of the Road Traffic (Traffic Control) Regulations (Cap. 374 sub. leg. G), as modified by section 1 of Part V of Schedule 2 to the Airport Authority Bylaw (Cap. 483 sub. leg. A), provides that the Airport Authority with the approval of the Commissioner for Transport may, by notice in the Gazette, designate any area as a prohibited zone or a restricted zone.

3. The Road Traffic (Traffic Control) (Designation of Prohibited and Restricted Zones) Notice (Cap. 374 sub. leg. U) was last amended by the Airport Authority with the approval of the Commissioner for Transport by way of the Road Traffic (Traffic Control) (Designation of Prohibited and Restricted Zones)(Amendment) Notice 2013 (L.N. 40 of 2013). In the light of the development of new roads and operational needs at the Hong Kong International Airport, it is necessary to update the prohibited and restricted zones at the airport.

## **PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

### ***Prohibited Zones***

4. The following amendments are made to the prohibited zones as stipulated in Schedule 1 to Cap. 374 sub. leg. U –

- (a) item 2(h) is repealed because the access on the eastern side of the multi-storey car park linking northern and southern parts of Cheong Tat Road is open to all motor vehicles to ensure smooth bus and car park operation;
- (b) the Coach and Limousine Staging Area mentioned in item 2(o) is relocated to maintain smooth coach operation as the existing location is reserved for the expansion of Terminal 2;
- (c) the plan showing Light Goods Vehicles Access Area, Light Good Vehicles Loading Area and Light Goods Vehicles Unloading Area to the east of Cheong Shun Road mentioned in item 5 is updated to maintain smooth light goods vehicle operation in view of the expansion of Terminal 2;
- (d) the plan showing Car Park No. 1 and Government Car Park as to the east of Cheong Shun Road mentioned in item 7(a) is updated to maintain smooth car park operation in view of the expansion of Terminal 2; and
- (e) items 7(b) and 7(d) are repealed because the existing locations are reserved for the expansion of Terminal 2.

### ***Restricted Zones***

5. The following amendments are made to the restricted zones stipulated in Part 1 of Schedule 2 to Cap. 374 sub. leg. U –

- (a) item 1(r) is repealed because the former Northern (Landside) Petrol Filling Station has been relocated;
- (b) item 1(z0) is repealed because the existing location is reserved for the expansion of Terminal 2;
- (c) “the access road to and from Northern (Landside) Petrol Filling Station” is added in column 1 after item 1(zp) to avoid traffic blockage; and

- (d) item 4(e) is repealed because the existing location is surrendered for the expansion of Terminal 2.

## **TIMETABLE**

6. The notice will be gazetted on 2 February 2018 and tabled at the Legislative Council on 7 February 2018.

## **IMPLICATIONS OF THE PROPOSAL**

7. The proposed amendments are in conformity with the Basic Law, including the provisions concerning human rights, and have no economic, financial, civil service, productivity, environmental, sustainability, family and gender implications. The proposed amendments will not affect the current binding effect of the Road Traffic (Traffic Control) (Designation of Prohibited and Restricted Zones) Notice (Cap. 374 sub. leg. U).

## **CONSULTATION**

8. The Airport Authority has consulted stakeholders of the relevant industry on the proposal and will continue to update stakeholders and collect feedback. Given the operational and technical nature of the proposed amendments, public consultation would not be necessary for this exercise.

## **PUBLICITY**

9. The Airport Authority will issue a press release when the notice comes into effect on 30 March 2018. The Airport Authority will announce details of the amendment to the public through its website, “HKG My Flight” mobile app and circulation of handbills at appropriate time.

## **ENQUIRIES**

10. For enquiries on the brief, please contact Miss Winsome Au, Principal Assistant Secretary for Transport and Housing (Transport) at 3509 8194.

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