

**MTR Enhances Train Services for Christmas and New Year Holiday Season**

The festive season is right around the corner! To make passengers' journeys more convenient during the upcoming holidays, MTR will be providing an extra 803 train trips over Christmas and the New Year holidays.

Passengers who wish to stay out late celebrating on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve can enjoy overnight train services on all local MTR lines (except the Airport Express, Disneyland Resort Line and journeys to or from Lo Wu and Lok Ma Chau stations). Additional train trips will be provided starting from the afternoon of 24 and 31 December to serve passengers' needs. (See details in Annex)

"We are committed to providing convenient railway services for our passengers. We anticipate that there will be a higher demand for public transport during the holidays, therefore we will enhance our services for passengers to travel with ease to fully enjoy the festivities," said Mr Adi Lau, Operations Director of MTR Corporation.

The MTR Corporation would like to wish passengers a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and a joyful holiday with their family and friends. Passengers and members of the public are reminded not to bring any metallic balloons or floating LED balloons into MTR premises while celebrating the festive season, as these objects could affect railway operations and pose a risk to passengers' safety.

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**About MTR Corporation**

MTR Corporation is regarded as one of the world's leading railway operators for safety, reliability, customer service and cost efficiency. In its home base of Hong Kong, the Corporation operates ten commuter railway lines, a Light Rail network, an Airport Express link as well as a new High Speed Rail service connecting Hong Kong to the Mainland of China that was launched in September 2018. These services carry about 5.8 million passenger trips on a normal week day. Another 6.5 million passenger trips are made on the rail services MTR operates outside Hong Kong in the Mainland of China, the United Kingdom, Sweden and Australia. In addition, the Corporation is involved in a range of railway construction projects as well as railway consultancy and contracting services around the world. Leveraging on its railway expertise, the Corporation is involved in the development of transit-related residential and commercial property projects, property management, shopping malls leasing and management, advertising media and telecommunication services.

For more information about MTR Corporation, please visit [www.mtr.com.hk](http://www.mtr.com.hk).

**Annex:**

**Details of Train Service Enhancements during Christmas and New Year Holidays**

**i) Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve**

**Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve (Mondays, 24 & 31 December 2018)**

	<b>3:00 pm to 5:00 pm</b>	<b>Additional Trips (Daily)</b>
Island Line	2.1 minutes	40
Tsuen Wan Line	2 minutes	34
Kwun Tong Line (Tiu Keng Leng – Ho Man Tin) (Ho Man Tin – Whampoa)	2.3 minutes 4.6 minutes	22
Tseung Kwan O Line (North Point – Tseung Kwan O) (North Point – Po Lam) (North Point – LOHAS Park)	2.2 minutes 2.5 / 4 minutes 6.7minutes	35
East Rail Line (Hung Hom – Sheung Shui) (Hung Hom – Lo Wu) (Hung Hom – Lok Ma Chau)	4 – 8 minutes 6 – 8 minutes 10 – 12 minutes	6
	<b>4:00 pm to 5:00 pm</b>	<b>Additional Trips (Daily)</b>
South Island Line	3.3 minutes	10
Tung Chung Line (Hong Kong – Tsing Yi) (Hong Kong – Tung Chung)	3 – 5 minutes 4 – 8 minutes	7
West Rail Line	3.5 minutes	12

	8:00 pm to 11:30 pm	11:30 pm to 12:30 am	Additional Trips (Daily)
Island Line	3.6 minutes		34
Tsuen Wan Line	3.1 minutes	3.6 minutes (24 Dec) 2.7 minutes (31 Dec)	42 (24 Dec) 53 (31 Dec)
Kwun Tong Line	3.6 minutes		26
Tseung Kwan O Line (North Point – Po Lam) (Tiu Keng Leng – LOHAS Park)	4.1 minutes 12 minutes		30
South Island Line	--	6 minutes	3
Tung Chung Line	6 minutes		23
West Rail Line	--	5 minutes (24 Dec) 4 minutes (31 Dec)	10 (24 Dec) 14 (31 Dec)

### MTR Overnight Service

(Monday to Tuesday, 24 to 25 December 2018)

(Monday to Tuesday, 31 December 2018 to 1 January 2019)

	12:30 am to 1:30 am	1:30 am to 2:30 am	2:30 am to 3:30 am	3:30 am to 6:00 am
Island Line	5 minutes (24 Dec) 3.4 minutes (31 Dec)		8 minutes	10 minutes
Tsuen Wan Line	3.6 minutes (24 Dec) 2.7 minutes (31 Dec)	5 minutes (24 Dec) 3.6 minutes (31 Dec)		
Kwun Tong Line	5 minutes (24 Dec) 3.6 minutes (31 Dec)			
Tseung Kwan O Line (North Point – Po Lam) (Tiu Keng Leng – LOHAS Park)	5 minutes 12 minutes		8 minutes 12 minutes	10 minutes 15 minutes
South Island Line	6 minutes		8 minutes	10 minutes

	12:30 am to 2:00 am	2:00 am to 6:00 am
Tung Chung Line	8 minutes (24 Dec) 6 minutes (31 Dec)	12 minutes

	12:00 am to 2:30 am	2:30 am to 3:30 am	3:30 am to 5:30 am
Ma On Shan Line	6.5 minutes	10 minutes	15 minutes

	12:30 am to 1:30 am	1:30 am to 3:00 am	3:00 am to 5:30 am
East Rail Line* (Hung Hom – Sheung Shui)	5 minutes (24 Dec)	10 minutes (24 Dec)	15 minutes (24 Dec)
West Rail Line			

	12:30 am to 2:00 am	2:00 am to 3:30 am	3:30 am to 5:30 am
East Rail Line* (Hung Hom – Sheung Shui)	5 minutes (31 Dec)	8 minutes (31 Dec)	15 minutes (31 Dec)
West Rail Line	4 minutes (31 Dec)		

\* Lo Wu and Lok Ma Chau stations will be closed at normal time

### **Disneyland Resort Line**

The Disneyland Resort Line service will close as usual at 12:45am on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

### **Light Rail**

To provide greater convenience to West Rail Line passengers and residents of the Northwest New Territories, Light Rail routes 505, 507, 610, 614P, 615P, 706 and 751 will run throughout the night on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve at 15 to 18-minute intervals.

### **MTR Bus**

MTR bus routes 506 and K51 feeding the West Rail Line will extend service to 2am on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve with buses running at 10 to 15-minute intervals.

## **ii) Christmas Holidays**

**(Tuesday to Wednesday, 25 to 26 December 2018)**

	12:00 noon to 1:00 pm 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm	Additional Trips (Daily)
Disneyland Resort Line	5 minutes	46
	8:30 pm to 11:00 pm	Additional Trips (Daily)
Tsuen Wan Line	3.6 minutes	14

### iii) **Airport Express**

For the convenience of those travelling overseas, Airport Express service will be enhanced as follows:

	<b>Service Details</b>
22-24 December 2018	The first train departs from Hong Kong Station at 5:00am (50 minutes earlier than normal service) and at 5:26am from AsiaWorld-Expo Station.
26 December 2018 & 1 January 2019	The last train departs from AsiaWorld-Expo Station (via Airport Station) at 1:25am (40 minutes later than normal service)

### **General Reminders**

Passengers taking the MTR during holidays are recommended to use their Octopus cards. Single journey ticket users are encouraged to purchase two tickets at their starting station, keeping one ticket for their return journey.

To cope with the anticipated increase in passenger flow, special crowd control arrangements will be in place at busy stations such as Jordan, Tsim Sha Tsui, East Tsim Sha Tsui, Admiralty, Wan Chai, Causeway Bay and Tin Hau. Passengers are reminded to follow the advice from station staff and the police.