

Extended Station Platforms on MTR Ma On Shan Line Open Tomorrow

The extended platforms for stations along the Ma On Shan Line (MOL) will be opened from tomorrow (20 November 2016). This is the first major milestone in the enhancement of train service on the MOL with new 8-car trains to replace the current 4-car trains gradually from next year.

Starting from Sunday, 20 November 2016, all trains on the MOL will stop at the new position on the platforms. Whilst there will be a period of mixed fleet operations by 4-car trains and 8-car trains in year 2017, directional signage has been installed on the platforms and platform assistants are deployed to offer guidance and assistance to passengers. In addition, station broadcasts and notices will be stepped up to inform passengers of the arrangements.

The extended MOL platforms were built during non-service hours over the last four years without disruption to passenger service. The works were carried out at the nine stations of MOL as part of the Shatin to Central Link (SCL) project. In the next three months, the first two 8-car trains will start dynamic tests on the railway line together with the upgraded signaling system during overnight non-service hours. Upon the completion of the three-month dynamic testing, the first two 8-car trains will be put into service. Over the next year, all of the 15 existing 4-car trains on the MOL are expected to be replaced with 8-car trains gradually under the SCL project. With the completion of the train conversion programme, the overall carrying capacity on the MOL will be doubled to make passengers journeys more convenient and comfortable.

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Photo Caption:

1. After the adjustment of train stopping positions, platform assistants will be deployed with directional signs to guide passengers to the designated waiting area for boarding.



2. Extension works of platforms and roofs at nine stations along the MOL have been completed.

