

MARINE DEPARTMENT NOTICE NO. 19/2021

(Statutory Requirements and Related Information)

Relaxation of Height Restriction at Tsing Ma Bridge Area

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Shipping and Port Control (Amendment) (No.2) Regulation 2020 and the Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (General) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulation 2020 will come into force on 28 January 2021. The regulations relax the height restriction at the Tsing Ma Bridge (TMB) Area from 53 metres (above sea level) to 54.6 metres (above sea level) at any time, and to 57 metres (above sea level) during the period of Specified Hours.

2. Vessels with height exceeding 57.0 meters above sea level which wish to enter or pass through the TMB Area during low tide period within the Specified Hours should seek prior permission from the Vessel Traffic Centre. Please visit the Marine Department website for application details.

3. The Specified Hours of each day will be specified and published by notice by the Director of Highways on the following website of the Highways Department with effect from 28 January 2021:-

https://www.hyd.gov.hk/en/district_and_maintenance/structures/tsing_ma/index.html

4. Details of the Amendment Regulations are available at the following websites:-

- i) <https://www.elegislation.gov.hk/hk/2020/ln236!en>
- ii) <https://www.elegislation.gov.hk/hk/2020/ln237!en>

5. The TMB Area is specified in the Fifth Schedule to the Shipping and Port Control Regulations. It is the area of the waters of Hong Kong bounded by the shore and straight lines joining the following co-ordinates (WGS 84 Datum) from (A) to (B), and (C) to (D):-

(A)	22° 21 18 N	114° 03 54 E
(B)	22° 21 29 N	114° 04 45 E

(C)	22°	21	04	N	114°	04	54	E
(D)	22°	20	48	N	114°	03	57	E

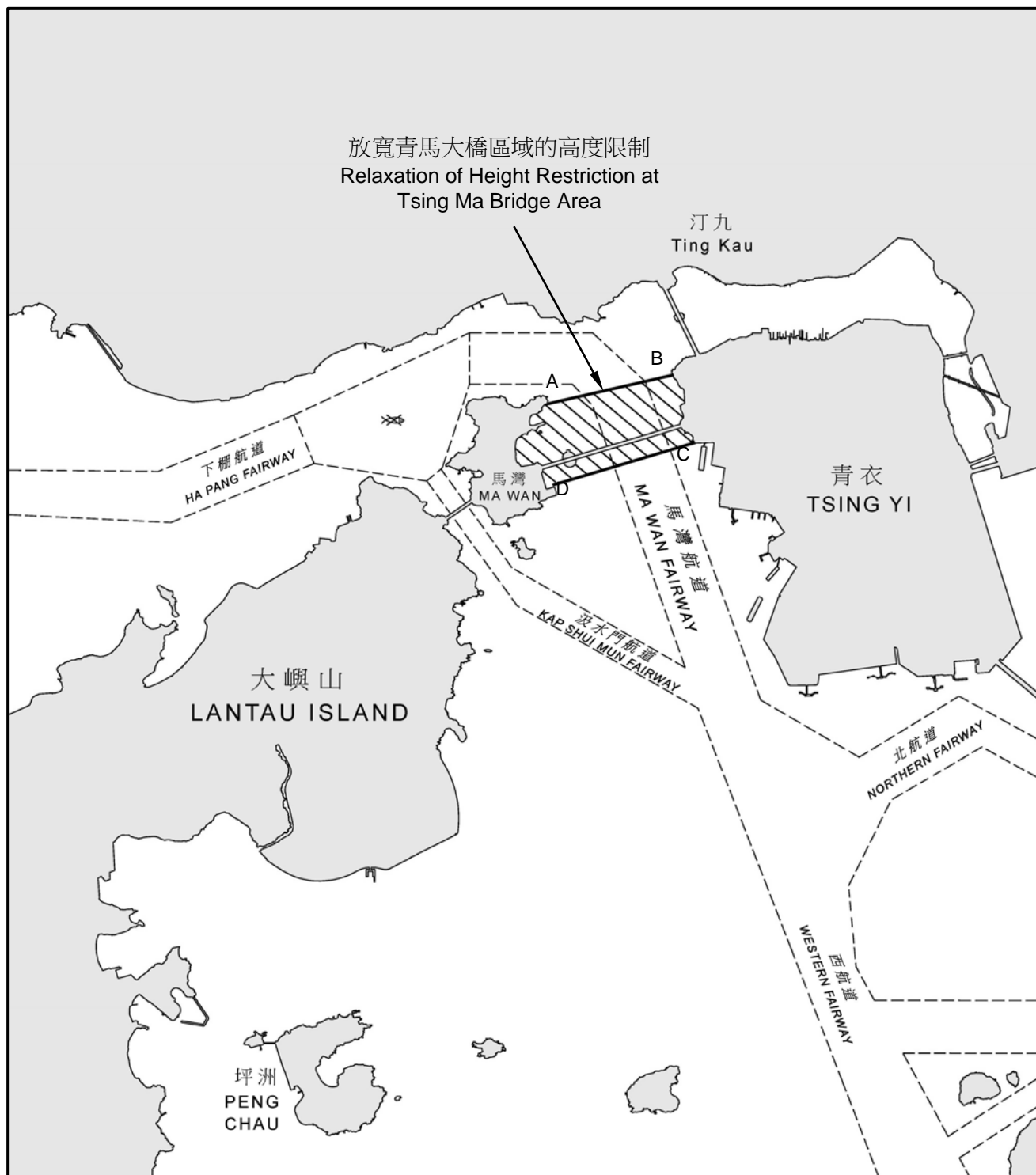
6. A drawing showing the TMB Area is attached to this Notice.
7. Masters, coxswains and persons in charge of vessels are advised to closely monitor the height of their vessels and ensure that the highest point of their vessels does not exceed the specified limit before their vessel enters into the TMB Area.
8. Attention of masters, coxswains and persons in charge of vessels is drawn to the fact that the Marine Department may, pursuant to section 16(b) of the Shipping and Port Control Ordinance (Cap. 313), on safety ground give direction to an owner or his agent or to a master of any vessel with a height exceeding 54.6 meter above sea level not to enter or pass through the TMB Area under the circumstances where unscheduled or urgent inspections and maintenance of the TMB is required to be carried out by the Highways Department and its contractor.

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Drawing Attached to Marine Department Notice No. 19/2021



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