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**Port-Related  
Emission and Control Programs  
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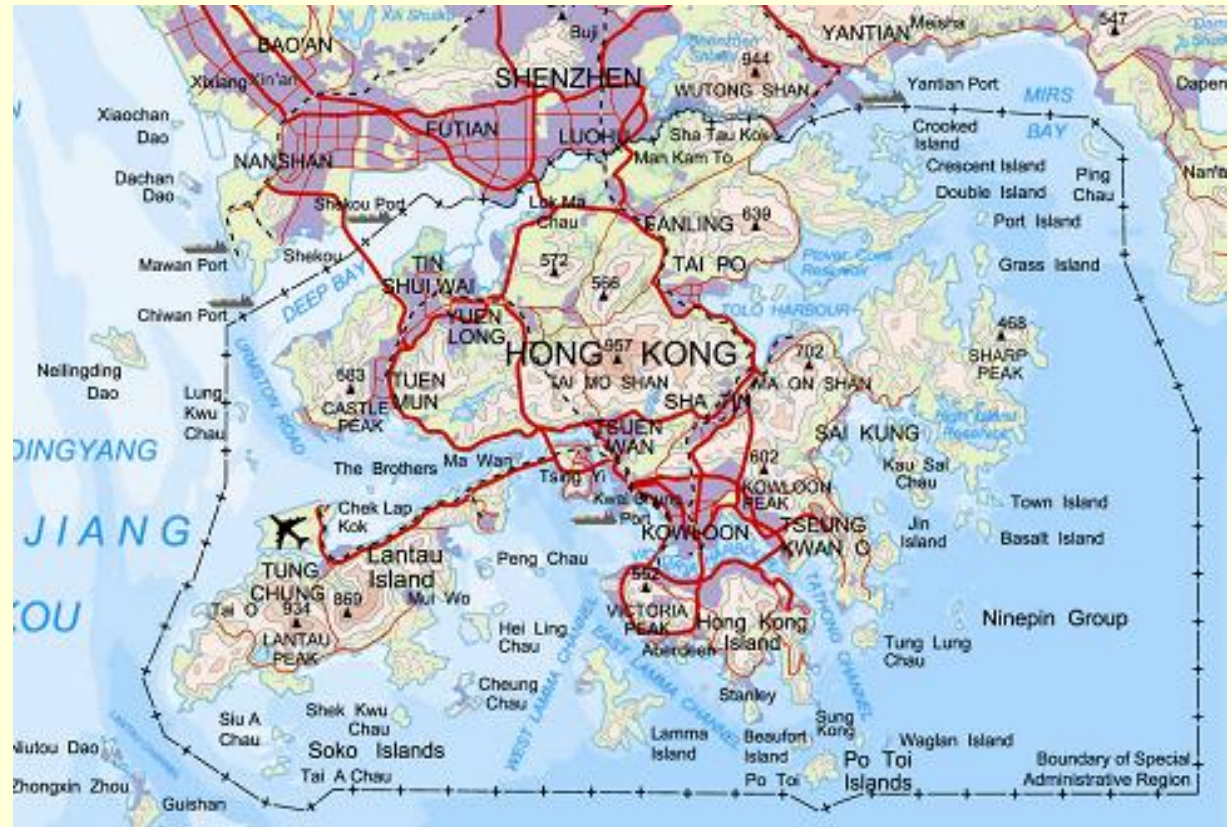
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# HK Water Boundaries

HK has very small stretch of waters

=> vulnerable  
to port-related  
emissions



# Container Terminals

**Very close to local community**

=> environmental, aesthetic and health problems



# Controlling Port-related Air Pollution



# General – MARPOL Annex VI

## Control air pollutant emission from ships

Pollutant	Control
<b>General</b>	Ban onboard incineration
<b>Ozone depleting substances (ODS)</b>	Ban new ODS installation
<b>Sulphur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>)</b>	Fuel Sulphur cap
<b>Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)</b>	NO <sub>x</sub> emission standard for new engines
<b>Volatile organic compounds (VOCs)</b>	Vapor recovery from tankers during loading

# Present Control Programs

## Multi-Prong Approach

<b>Vessels in Motion</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Fuel Standard</li><li>2. Smoke Emission</li><li>3. Vessel Speed</li></ol>
<b>Vessels at Berth</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>4. Fuel Switch</li></ol>
<b>Land-based port-machinery</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>5. Electrification</li><li>6. Fuel Standard</li><li>7. Operation – Air Pollution Control</li></ol>
<b>Additional Control</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>8. Govt fleet use ULSD</li></ol>

# (1) Fuel Standards

- Regulated under MARPOL Annex VI
- Sulphur cap 4.5% (3.5% in 2012)
- Applied to all vessels (ocean-going, regional and local) in HK waters
- Not stringent enough because
  - (a) Bunker oil: average sulphur content = 2.8%
  - (b) Local marine light diesel: sulphur content  $\leq$  0.5%

## (2) Smoke Emission Control

### Smoky Vessel Spotter Scheme

- Excess smoke emission causing nuisance is an offence
- Spotters use **Ringelmann chart** to assess smoke concentration, report non-compliance to Marine Dept

<b>Ocean-going vessels</b>	Shipping and Port Control Ordinance (Cap.313)
<b>Local vessels</b>	Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) Ordinance (Cap.548)

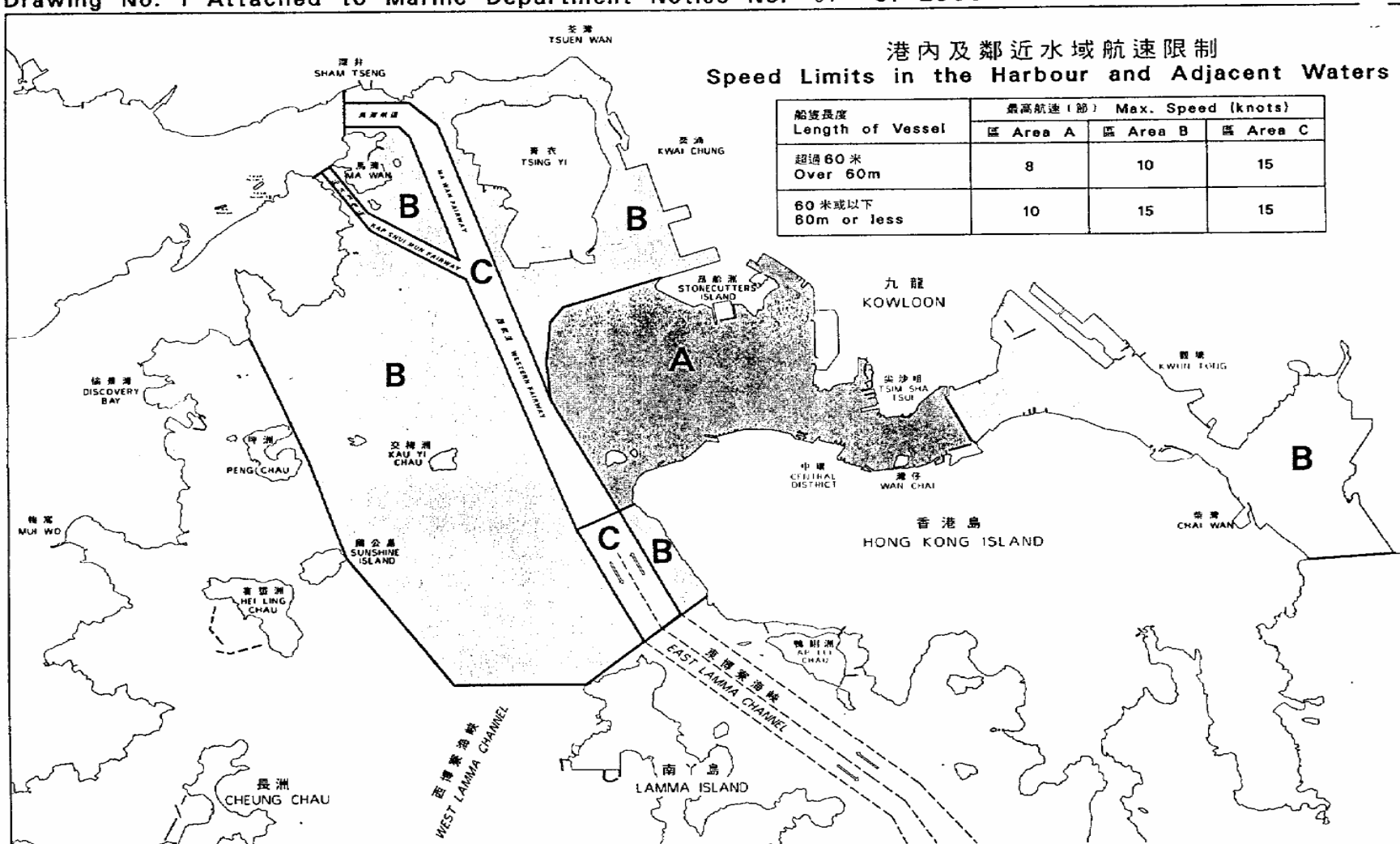


## (3) Vessel Speed Control

- Implemented in Victoria Harbor + some waters to harbor East and West
- When ships slow down, the load on main engines ↓ considerably compared with the engine load when fast transiting, more than the offset due to longer journey time  
=> overall energy consumption / emissions ↓

港內及鄰近水域航速限制  
Speed Limits in the Harbour and Adjacent Waters

船隻長度 Length of Vessel	最高航速 (節) Max. Speed (knots)		
	區 Area A	區 Area B	區 Area C
超過 60 米 Over 60m	8	10	15
60 米或以下 60m or less	10	15	15



	Vessel length $\leq$ 60m	vessel $>$ 60m
(A) Central Harbor	10kn	8kn
(B) Harbor East & West	15kn	10kn
(C) Major fairways to Harbor west	15kn	

## (4) Fuel Switch at Berth

- 17 shipping ship operators signed up to **Fair Winds Charter**. [Civic Exchange (local think-tank) facilitated Charter development]
- Committed to **switching voluntarily to 0.5% sulphur diesel** when berthing in HK in 2011-12
- Participating operators account for almost 50% of HK's container terminal tonnage



## (5) Electrifying Port Machinery

### Container terminals

- Quay cranes mostly electric
- Diesel rubber-tyred gantry cranes being converted to electric or hybrid ones



## **(6) Clean Fuels for Port Machinery**

- Non-road machinery and non-road vehicles (e.g. trucks) must use ultra-low sulphur diesel (max. 50ppm sulphur)
- Actually, mostly using 10ppm sulphur diesel

## **(7) Operation - Air Pollution Control**

Air Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap. 311) imposes control on nuisance and smoke emission from port machinery operation

<b>Nuisance</b>	Air Pollution Control Ordinance, Cap. 311
<b>Smoke</b>	Air Pollution Control (Smoke) Regulations, Cap. 311C

## (8) Additional Control

- Govt diesel vessels all using 50ppm diesel since 2001, 10 ppm since 2008

*SO<sub>2</sub> emission ↓ 99%*

*Particulate Matters ↓ 30%*



# Continued Efforts

- A. Non-road Mobile Machinery at Ports
- B. Fuel Switch at Berth
- C. Emission Control Area
- D. Clean Fuels for Local Vessels
- E. Emission reduction devices for Local vessels
- F. Onshore Power Supply



## (A) Port Machinery

- Consulting trades on proposal to control emissions from non-road mobile sources until 20 July 2011 (To apply emission standards to mobile machinery newly placed on market)
- Subject to consultation feedback, will initiate legal procedures in 2011



## (B) Fuel Switch at Berth

- Monitor progress of **voluntary fuel switch at berth scheme** and assess key factors:
  - environmental benefit
  - fuel cost implication
  - impact on vessel operation
  - impact on low-sulphur fuel supply chain
- Seek views of shipping industry and other stakeholders; then plan to promote fuel switch

## (C) Emission Control Area (ECA)

- Given HK's small stretch of waters, it is meaningless to pursue ECA alone.
- At this stage only information gathering and experience sharing -

Make reference to US and Canada experience in setting up joint ECA; review implementation timeframe, difficulties encountered, cost-benefit analysis, etc.

## (D) Clean Fuels for Local Vessels

- HK Marine light diesel, sulphur  $\leq 5000\text{ppm}$
- On 2010, HK EPD completed a trial of **local ferries** using ULSD (sulphur  $\leq 50\text{ppm}$ )
- Some operators are concerned about this "big leap"!
- Technical feasibility confirmed, but fuel cost for trial fleet  $\uparrow 21\%$  (because trial fleet size too)

**Next Step**: Exploring low sulphur fuels + other control options

## **(E) Emission Reduction Devices for Local Vessels**

- Low sulphur fuels reduce SO<sub>2</sub> and particulate emissions, not NO<sub>x</sub>
- Selective Catalytic Device (SCR) can cut NO<sub>x</sub> emission by up to 80%
- Will conduct trial on Govt vessels to assess implications for cost and operation
- Then decide way forward

# (F) Onshore Power Supply

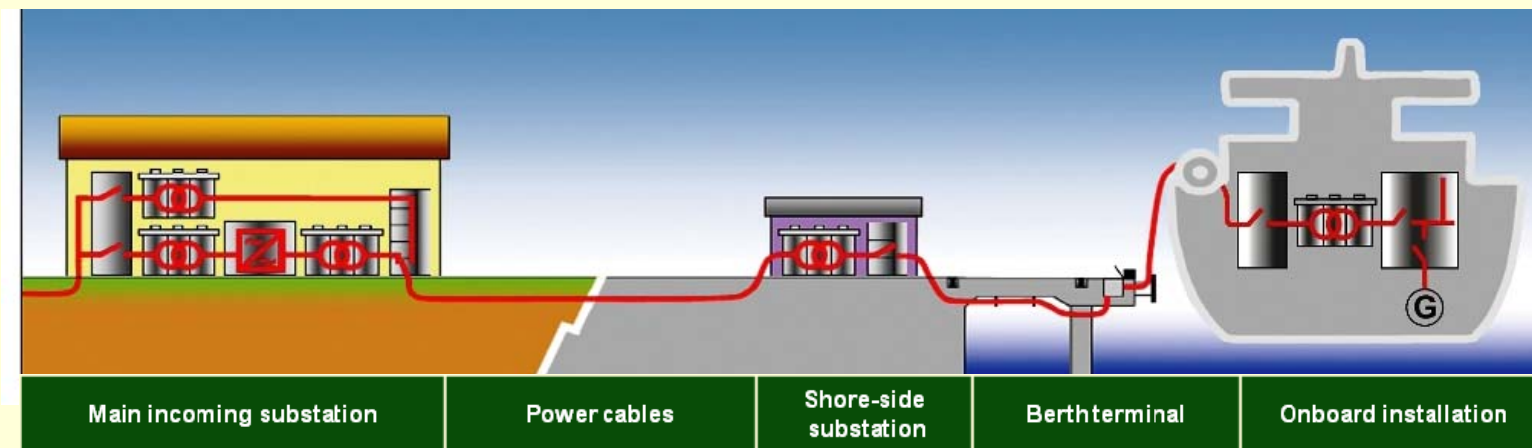
- Onshore power supply (OPS) is also known as “cold ironing” or “alternative maritime power”
- Reduce emission of each ship by 90%
- Examples of ports with OPS available or under construction:

Countries	Ports
US	Los Angeles, Houston, Seattle, Long Beach, San Francisco, San Diego, Oakland, Hueneme, Tacoma, Juneau, New York , Pittsburgh,
Canada	Vancouver, British Columbia
EU	Germany: Lübeck Finland: Inkoo Shipping Oy Ab, Oulu, Helsinki Belgium: Zeebrugge, Antwerp France: Le Havre, Marseille Sweden: Goteborg, Helsingborg, Stockholm, Pitea, Visby Netherlands: Rotterdam, Amsterdam
Japan	Nagoya
Norway	Oslo
Australia	Melbourne
China	Lianyungang, Qingdao, Shanghai, Tianjin, Shekhou

Ref: World Ports Climate Initiative (WPCI) and web search in various port authorities

# (E) Onshore Power Supply

- Plan to install OPS facilities in new Cruise Terminal



- OPS harmonized standard (managed by ISO) will be published in September 2011

# Enforcement & Control Mechanism

Non-HK ships in HK waters	By Marine Department's <b>Port State Control</b> inspection
Local vessels	Survey and certification to ensure compliance with requirements
Port machinery	Environmental Protection Department inspection



# Port State Control (PSC)

- HK is a member of *Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control in the Asia-Pacific Region* (Tokyo MOU).
- MD's PSC teams inspect non-HK registered ships calling HK
- Detain ships with serious deficiencies and require them to make rectification





**Thank you!**

*Any questions?*