

Dental Council

Typhoon and Rainstorm Warnings Arrangement

The following arrangements shall apply to a hearing of a disciplinary inquiry under section 18 and a hearing of a registration inquiry under section 9 of the Dentists Registration Ordinance, if Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 or above or Black Rainstorm Signal is issued or remains in force –

(a) Signal issued when a hearing is in progress

The Chairman presiding at the hearing shall give directions as to continuation or adjournment of the hearing, having regard to the progress of the inquiry and other relevant factors (including availability of witnesses if the hearing is adjourned). The overriding consideration is the safety of all persons concerned.

(b) Signal issued before the scheduled time of a hearing

- (i) If the signal is cancelled at or before 6:00 am, the hearing will be held at the scheduled time.
- (ii) If the signal is cancelled between 6:00 am and 10:00 am, the hearing will be held at 2:30 pm of the scheduled date, except a hearing scheduled for a time after 2:30 pm (in which case the hearing will be held at the scheduled time).
- (iii) If the signal is cancelled (or remains in force) at or after 10:00 am, the hearing shall be adjourned to another date to be fixed and announced, except a hearing scheduled for a time which is after 2:30 pm and more than 4 hours after the time of cancellation of the signal (in which case the hearing shall be held at the scheduled time).”