



Beijing 2008 Olympic Torch Relay Canberra Australia

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TRAFFIC DISRUPTIONS EXPECTED FOR TORCH RELAY

Major traffic disruptions will occur along the Beijing Olympic Torch Relay route on Thursday morning 24 April 2008.

Rolling road closures will commence from 8.30am, with delays of approximately 60 to 90 minutes expected as the Relay passes. However, Parkes Way from Commonwealth Avenue and Kings Avenue will be closed from approx. 7.00am to 10.45am.

The Canberra Times will publish information on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week that details the approximate times when the traffic disruptions will occur.

Residents and businesses along the route are advised that additional temporary fencing will also be put in place that will restrict vehicle access to their premises as the Relay passes.

People working in Civic and the Parliamentary Triangle are encouraged to arrive at work before 8.15am to avoid delays. Those travelling to the airport are also advised to plan their travel carefully.

ACTION bus services will continue to operate, however normal services will also be severely affected. Contact ACTION on 131710 or visit the ACTION website for more information.

Local broadcast media will provide regular updates in relation to changed traffic arrangements.

The ACT Government and the ACT Torch Relay Taskforce apologises for any inconvenience and urges motorists to be patient.

Further information contact Canberra Connect on 132281 or visit www.events.act.gov.au

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