

Annex

Number of Prosecutions against Passengers Demonstrating Inappropriate Behaviour¹ according to the Mass Transit Railway By-laws from 2009 to 2011

Passenger behaviour	2009	2010	2011
Depositing or throwing of rubbish	0	1	0
Non-compliance with notices and reasonable directions ²	459	348	356
Smoking	23	29	42
Constituting a fire hazard	0	0	1
Spitting and litter	14	18	14
Causing a nuisance to other passengers	9	8	4
Playing radios, cassettes, etc. and creating noise	1	0	0
Bringing prohibited items of luggage	6	26	26
Consumption of food or beverage	22	140	29
Bringing animals	0	1	0
Improper operation or interference of equipment	1	0	4
Using abusive language	259	218	235
Bringing dangerous goods	1	1	1
Total	795	790	712

¹ Do not include offences specified under the MTR By-laws that do not constitute nuisance to other passengers, e.g. not paying fares.

² The cases concerned mainly involve passengers creating obstructions to others by bringing large luggage items, handling goods or blocking passages in train compartments and on platforms along the East Rail Line.