

# **Telecommunications (Internal Wiring) Regulations 2005**

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**No. S 479**

## **TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT (CHAPTER 323)**

### **TELECOMMUNICATIONS (INTERNAL WIRING) REGULATIONS 2005**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 74 of the Telecommunications Act, the Info-communications Development Authority of Singapore, with the approval of the Minister for Information, Communications and the Arts, hereby makes the following Regulations:

## **PART I**

### **PRELIMINARY**

#### **Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Telecommunications (Internal Wiring) Regulations 2005 and shall come into operation on 21st July 2005.

#### **Definitions**

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

- “Code of Practice” means the Code of Practice published by the Authority under regulation 4(1);
- “interface point” means any point of interconnection between a user’s telecommunication equipment and any telecommunication system of a public telecommunication licensee;
- “internal telecommunication wiring” means any telecommunication line, optical fibre, conduit or other physical medium connecting a user’s telecommunication equipment and any interface point but does not include the use of extension cords with built-in connectors and sockets;
- “licence” means a telecommunication wiring contractor’s class licence granted under regulation 5 or a telecommunication wiring installer’s licence granted under regulation 6;
- “licensee” means any person to whom a licence has been granted under these Regulations;
- “telecommunication equipment” means any appliance, apparatus or accessory used or intended to be used for telecommunication;
- “telecommunication wiring contractor” means any person who —
- (a) in the course of or in connection with or for the purposes of any trade or business carried on by him, performs or carries out any telecommunication wiring work or who offers to perform or carry out such work or who causes or arranges for such work to be performed or carried out; or
  - (b) for profit or reward, offers his services as a telecommunication wiring contractor;
- “telecommunication wiring installer” means any person whose trade or occupation requires or includes the personal performance by him of any telecommunication wiring work;
- “telecommunication wiring work” includes the installation, maintenance or repair of a user’s internal telecommunication wiring;
- “user” means a person who has subscribed to any telecommunication service of a public telecommunication licensee.

## PART II

### GENERAL LICENSING CONDITIONS

## **Licensing authority**

3. The licensing authority in respect of every licence granted under these Regulations shall be the Authority with the consent of, or under the terms of a general authority given by, the Minister.

## **Code of Practice**

4.—(1) The Authority shall publish a Code of Practice setting out the technical standards and specifications for the performance or carrying out of telecommunication wiring work, which the Authority may, from time to time, modify.

(2) The Code of Practice may be made available to any person upon request and upon payment of the fee specified in the First Schedule.

## **Telecommunication wiring contractor's class licence**

5.—(1) Subject to regulation 8, no person other than a holder of a telecommunication wiring contractor's class licence shall —

- (a) act as a telecommunication wiring contractor;
- (b) advertise, notify or state that he carries on or is willing to carry on the business of a telecommunication wiring contractor; or
- (c) in any way hold himself out as ready to undertake for payment or other remuneration (whether monetary or otherwise) any of the functions of a telecommunication wiring contractor.

(2) A person shall be deemed to have been granted a telecommunication wiring contractor's class licence if he has —

- (a) registered with the Authority in such form and manner as may be specified by the Authority;
- (b) submitted to the Authority upon registration such information in writing as the Authority may require; and
- (c) paid to the Authority the fee specified in the First Schedule.

(3) A telecommunication wiring contractor's class licensee shall —

- (a) comply with the conditions of class licence set out in the Second Schedule; and
- (b) notify the Authority in writing of any change in any information furnished to the Authority under this regulation within 14 days of such change.

(4) The Authority may issue a written acknowledgment in such form as the Authority may determine to indicate that a telecommunication wiring contractor has been granted a telecommunication wiring contractor's class licence in accordance with these Regulations.

### **Telecommunication wiring installer's licence**

**6.—**(1) Subject to regulation 8, no person other than a holder of a telecommunication wiring installer's licence shall —

- (a) act as a telecommunication wiring installer;
- (b) advertise, notify or state that he carries on or is willing to carry on the business of a telecommunication wiring installer; or
- (c) in any way hold himself out as ready to undertake for payment or other remuneration (whether monetary or otherwise) any of the functions of a telecommunication wiring installer.

(2) An application for a telecommunication wiring installer's licence shall be made to the Authority in such form and manner as the Authority may require and shall be accompanied by —

- (a) the appropriate fee specified in the First Schedule; and
- (b) such particulars, information and documents as the Authority may require.

(3) The Authority may refuse to grant an application for a telecommunication wiring installer's licence if the Authority is not satisfied as to the educational qualification or experience of the applicant, having regard to the nature of the duties of a telecommunication wiring installer.

(4) A telecommunication wiring installer's licence shall be in such form as may be provided by the Authority and shall be subject to such conditions as the Authority may, from time to time, determine.

(5) The Authority may at any time, by notice in writing, vary all or any of the conditions upon which a telecommunication wiring installer's licence is granted or impose additional conditions and the licensee shall, at his own expense, comply with the varied or additional conditions.

(6) A telecommunication wiring installer's licensee shall notify the Authority in writing of any change in any information furnished to the Authority under this regulation or as specified in his licence within 14 days of such change.

### **Duration**