

Town Council of Tanjong Pagar (Common Property and Open Spaces) By-laws 2002

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**TOWN COUNCILS ACT
(CHAPTER 329A)**

TOWN COUNCIL OF TANJONG PAGAR (COMMON PROPERTY AND OPEN SPACES) BY-LAWS 2002

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 24 of the Town Councils Act, the Town Council for the Town of Tanjong Pagar hereby makes the following By-laws:

Citation and commencement

1. These By-laws may be cited as the Town Council of Tanjong Pagar (Common Property and Open Spaces) By-laws 2002 and shall come into operation on 1st June 2002.

Definitions

2.—(1) In these By-laws, unless the context otherwise requires —

“common property” and “open space” mean any common property and any open space, respectively, within the Town of Tanjong Pagar;

“facility” means any article, object, equipment, appliance, device or thing provided or maintained by the Town Council or any person approved by the Town Council for the use by and convenience of members of the public;

“housing estate” means a housing estate of the Board within the Town of Tanjong Pagar;

“mobility aid” means any of the following carrying an individual who is unable to walk or has difficulty in walking:

(a) a wheelchair (motorised or otherwise);

(b) a mobility scooter as defined by the Active Mobility Act 2017 (Act 3 of 2017);

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“park” means to bring a vehicle to a stationary position and cause it to remain for any purpose;

“parking place” has the same meaning as in the Parking Places Act (Cap. 214);

“public path” means a path declared under section 6 of the Active Mobility Act 2017 as a public path;

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“sign” includes all signals, warning sign posts, direction posts, banners and advertisements;

“trade refuse” means any waste, refuse, box, article, container, object or thing produced or discarded in the course of or as a waste product of any trade or business;

“vehicle” means a vehicle, whether mechanically propelled or not, intended or adapted for use on the road, such as (but not limited to) a bicycle, power-assisted bicycle or personal mobility device as defined by the Active Mobility Act 2017, but excludes any mobility aid.

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(2) Nothing in these By-laws shall prohibit officers or employees of the Town Council or any person authorised by the Town Council from doing any act that is reasonably necessary or expedient in the enforcement of these By-laws.

(3) These By-laws do not affect the rights of the public to pass along a public path within the Town of Tanjong Pagar in accordance with the Active Mobility Act 2017.

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Dumping and renovation debris

3.—(1) No person shall —

- (a) place, deposit, keep or leave, or cause or permit to be placed, deposited, kept or left, any material, article, object or thing on any common property or in any open space except in such common property or open space designated by the Town Council for that purpose; or
- (b) transport any renovation debris or other building material in any lift in a building in any housing estate, or over any other common property, except with the prior written permission of the Town Council.

(2) No person shall place, deposit, keep or leave, or cause or permit to be placed, deposited, kept or left any trade refuse on any common property or in any open space except in a refuse or litter container or receptacle designated for that purpose.

Obstruction of common property

4.—(1) No person shall obstruct or cause or permit the obstruction of the lawful use of any common property with any object, fixture or thing.

(2) The Town Council may remove and detain any object, fixture or thing obstructing the lawful use of any common property.

(3) The Town Council shall immediately give written notice to the owner or person having lawful possession of the object, fixture or thing removed and detained by the Town Council that he may, on payment of the expenses incurred by the Town Council in such removal and detention, claim possession from the Town Council within 30 days of such removal and detention.

(4) If the object, fixture or thing removed and detained by the Town Council under paragraph (2) is not claimed by the owner or person having lawful possession thereof within 30 days of such removal and detention, the Town Council may —

- (a) dispose of it by public auction or otherwise; and
- (b) apply the proceeds of the sale to the expenses incurred by the Town Council in the removal and detention, and the surplus, if any, shall be paid to such owner, or person having lawful possession thereof.

Damage to common property

5.—(1) No person shall remove, destroy, damage or deface, or remove any earth or soil from any common property.

(2) No person shall remove, destroy, damage or vandalise any facility situated on any

common property or in any open space.

(3) The costs and expenses, including administrative costs, incurred by the Town Council in restoring any damaged common property or facility to its condition before such removal, damage, destruction, defacement or vandalism, or in replacing earth, soil or any other property that has been removed shall constitute a debt due to the Town Council and shall be recoverable as such.

Misuse of common property or open spaces

6. No person shall —

- (a) bathe, wash, wade, swim or fish in; or
- (b) cause or permit any animal belonging to him or under his charge to enter, or to remove any thing from,

any pond, lake or fountain maintained by the Town Council.

Damage to turf, plant, shrub or tree

7.—(1) No person shall remove, cut, damage or dispose of any turf, plant, shrub or tree or part thereof situated on any common property or in any open space.

(2) No person shall pick a shrub or plant or any part thereof situated on any common property or in any open space.

(3) No person shall plant, cultivate or grow, or cause or permit to be planted, cultivated or grown, any plant, shrub or tree on any common property or in any open space without the prior written permission of the Town Council.

(4) No person shall cause or permit any plant, shrub or tree belonging to him to damage or encroach onto any common property or into any open space.

Unlawful parking, etc.

8.—(1) No person shall, without prior written permission of the Town Council —

- (a) park any vehicle on any common property or in any open space except in a parking place; or
- (b) use, ride or drive on any common property or in any open space any vehicle other than a perambulator, a child's toy vehicle used solely by a child or a mobility aid.

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(2) Paragraph (1)(b) does not apply to any common property or open space that is a