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## FIRE SAFETY ACT (CHAPTER 109A)

## FIRE SAFETY (FIRE SAFETY MANAGERS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2015

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 61 of the Fire Safety Act, the Minister for Home Affairs makes the following Regulations:

#### Citation and commencement

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Fire Safety (Fire Safety Managers) (Amendment) Regulations 2015 and come into operation on 1 July 2015.

#### Amendment of regulation 2

**2.** Regulation 2 of the Fire Safety (Fire Safety Managers) Regulations (Rg 3) (referred to in these Regulations as the principal Regulations) is amended —

- (*a*) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "Fire Command Centre", the following definition:
  - ""fire risk assessment" means an assessment carried out to identify the fire hazards in a building and to determine the appropriate measures to minimise or eliminate such fire hazards;";
- (b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "occupant load", the following definition:
  - " "operations and maintenance manual", in relation to any specified complex premises, has the same meaning as in the Fire Safety (Building and Pipeline Fire Safety) Regulations (Rg 1);"; and

- ""specified complex premises" means any premises or class of premises specified in paragraph 3A(2)(*a*) or (*b*) of the Fire Safety (Premises Requiring Fire Safety Manager and Company Emergency Response Team) Notification 2013 (G.N. No. S 537/2013);
  - "specified non-complex premises" means any premises or class of premises specified in paragraph 3(*a*) or (*b*) of the Fire Safety (Premises Requiring Fire Safety Manager and Company Emergency Response Team) Notification 2013, not being specified complex premises;
  - "specified premises" means any specified complex premises or specified non-complex premises;".

# Amendment of regulation 3

**3.** Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (*a*) and substituting the following paragraph:

- "(*a*) within 90 days from the time the premises are specified or fall within the class of premises specified as —
  - (i) specified non-complex premises, appoint a fire safety manager certified under regulation 10(5) or (5A) for the premises; or
  - (ii) specified complex premises, appoint a fire safety manager certified under regulation 10(5A) for the premises;".

# Amendment of regulation 7

- 4. Regulation 7 of the principal Regulations is amended
  - (*a*) by deleting the words "to assist the owner or occupier of any specified premises" and substituting the words "appointed for

any specified premises to assist the owner or occupier of the premises";

- (b) by deleting the words "and emergency exercises for the occupants of the premises annually" in paragraph (*ea*) and substituting the words "for the occupants of the premises at least twice in every calendar year"; and
- (c) by renumbering the regulation as paragraph (1) of that regulation, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:

"(2) In addition to the duties under paragraph (1), it is the duty of a fire safety manager appointed for any specified complex premises to assist the owner or occupier of the premises —

- (a) to carry out a fire risk assessment of the premises
  - (i) at least once in every 3 years;
  - (ii) whenever the fire safety manager becomes aware of any change in work processes or work activities at the premises which is likely to increase the fire risk at the premises; and
  - (iii) whenever the Commissioner directs a fire risk assessment to be carried out; and
- (b) to perform checks to ensure that any fire safety works using alternative solutions meet the requirements set out in the operations and maintenance manual, if any.".

#### Amendment of regulation 8

5. Regulation 8(2) of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the word "and" at the end of sub-paragraph (*h*), and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraph:

"(*ha*) in the case of specified complex premises, when the fire risk assessment and checks of the premises were last carried out for the purposes of regulation 7(2);".

#### **Deletion and substitution of regulation 9**

**6.** Regulation 9 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

## "Appointment of fire safety managers

**9.** The owner or occupier of specified premises must not appoint any person as a fire safety manager for his premises without first obtaining proof that the person is certified by the Commissioner —

- (*a*) under regulation 10(5) or (5A), if the premises are specified non-complex premises; or
- (b) under regulation 10(5A), if the premises are specified complex premises.".

## Amendment of regulation 10

- 7. Regulation 10 of the principal Regulations is amended
  - (*a*) by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph:

"(1) No person may carry out any duty of a fire safety manager —

- (*a*) for specified non-complex premises, unless that person is certified by the Commissioner under paragraph (5) or (5A); or
- (b) for specified complex premises, unless that person is certified by the Commissioner under paragraph (5A).";
- (b) by deleting paragraphs (3) and (4) and substituting the following paragraph:

"(3) An application to be certified as a fire safety manager must be —