Fire Safety (Registered Inspectors) (Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics) Regulations 2002

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# FIRE SAFETY ACT (CHAPTER 109A)

## FIRE SAFETY (REGISTERED INSPECTORS) (CODE OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS) REGULATIONS 2002

In exercise of the powers conferred under section 61(1)(zab) of the Fire Safety Act, the Minister for Home Affairs hereby makes the following Regulations:

### Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Fire Safety (Registered Inspectors) (Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics) Regulations 2002 and shall come into operation on 1st December 2002.

## Registered inspectors to observe Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics

**2.** Every registered inspector shall observe and be guided by the Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics set out in the Schedule.

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#### CODE OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND ETHICS

- 1. In this Schedule, unless the context states otherwise, "publicity" means any form of advertisement and includes any advertisement
  - (a) printed in any medium for the communication of information; or
  - (b) appearing in, communicated through or retrievable from, any mass medium, electronic or otherwise,

and its derivatives, and "publicise", "publicised" and "publicising" shall be construed accordingly.

- 2. A registered inspector shall, in respect of any project for which he is appointed as the registered inspector
  - (a) exercise due diligence to ensure that there is no contravention of any provision of the Act or any regulations made thereunder relating to fire safety requirements by any person carrying out fire safety works in such project; and
  - (b) report to the Commissioner any contravention referred to in sub-paragraph (a) which comes to his knowledge.
- 3. A registered inspector shall not, for the purpose of obtaining any temporary fire permit or fire safety certificate for any project, sign any document unless he is the registered inspector appointed for that project and has personally checked the buildings, plans and documents relating to the project.
  - 4.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph, a registered inspector may publicise his practice.
  - (2) A registered inspector shall not publicise his practice in a manner which
    - (a) is likely to diminish public confidence in the profession or to otherwise bring the profession into disrepute;
    - (b) may reasonably be regarded as being misleading, deceptive, inaccurate, false or unbefitting of the dignity of the profession; or
    - (c) is determined by the Commissioner to be an undesirable manner of publicising the practice of a registered inspector.
- (3) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (2), publicity shall be considered to be misleading, deceptive, inaccurate or false if it
  - (a) contains a material misrepresentation;
  - (b) omits to state a material fact;
  - (c) contains any information which cannot be verified; or
  - (d) is likely to create an unjustified expectation about the results that can be achieved by the registered inspector.

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