

Telecommunication (Internal Wiring) Regulations

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PART I

PRELIMINARY

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Telecommunication (Internal Wiring) Regulations.

Definitions

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

“authorised officer” means any person authorised by the Authority to act on its behalf;

“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 licence granted under these Regulations;

“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 modify from time to time.

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

Classes of licence

5.—(1) The Authority may grant the following classes of licences:

- (a) telecommunication wiring installer's licence; and
- (b) telecommunication wiring contractor's licence.

(2) No person other than the holder of a telecommunication wiring installer's licence shall —

- (a) perform or carry out personally any telecommunication wiring work or offer or undertake to perform or carry out any such work; or
- (b) advertise or otherwise hold himself out as a telecommunication wiring installer or as a person competent or qualified or legally permitted personally to perform or carry out telecommunication wiring work.

(3) No person other than the holder of a telecommunication wiring contractor's licence shall —

- (a) carry on any trade or business as a telecommunication wiring contractor or cause or arrange for any telecommunication wiring work to be performed or carried out or offer or undertake to perform or carry out such work; or
- (b) advertise or otherwise hold himself out as a telecommunication wiring contractor.

(4) Paragraphs (2) and (3) shall not apply to any person who performs or carries out any telecommunication wiring work in his own premises which is done in accordance with the Code of Practice.

Application for licence