

Building Control (Licensing of Builders) Regulations 2008

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BUILDING CONTROL ACT
(CHAPTER 29)

BUILDING CONTROL (LICENSING OF BUILDERS) REGULATIONS 2008

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 29L of the Building Control Act, the Minister for National Development hereby makes the following Regulations:

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Building Control (Licensing of Builders) Regulations 2008 and shall, with the exception of Part V, come into operation on 18th December 2008.

(2) Part V of these Regulations shall come into operation on 16th June 2009.

Definitions

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

“applicant”, in relation to an application for a licence, means the person who will be the holder of the licence if the application is granted;

“approved person”, in relation to an applicant for or a holder of a licence, means any natural person under whose charge and direction the management of the business of the applicant or holder, as the case may be, in so far it relates to general building works or specialist building works in Singapore is to be at all times;

“Authority” means the Building and Construction Authority established under the Building and Construction Authority Act (Cap. 30A);

“holder”, in relation to a licence, means the person in whose name the licence is granted;

“licence” means any of the following licences granted under Part VA of the Act:

- (a) a Class 1 general builder’s licence authorising the holder thereof to carry on the business of a general builder generally;
- (b) a Class 2 general builder’s licence authorising the holder thereof to

carry on the business of a general builder in a restricted manner in accordance with section 29C(1)(b) of the Act;

- (c) a specialist builder's licence authorising the holder thereof to carry on the business of a specialist builder for the class of specialist building works specified in the licence;

“register” means the register of licensed builders required to be kept under section 29D of the Act;

“technical controller”, in relation to an applicant for or a holder of a licence, means any natural person under whose personal supervision the execution and performance of any general building works or specialist building works in Singapore that the applicant or holder, as the case may be, undertakes is to be carried out.

PART II

FORMS AND REGISTER OF LICENSED BUILDERS

Forms

3.—(1) In these Regulations, “appropriate form”, in relation to any purpose for which a specific form is required to be used, means the relevant form that —

- (a) is provided by the Commissioner and obtainable from his office at the Building and Construction Authority at 5, Maxwell Road #02-00, MND Tower Block, Singapore 069110 during such hours as his office is open for business; or

- (b) is set out on the Authority's Internet website <http://www.bca.gov.sg>.

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(2) All forms used for the purposes of these Regulations shall be completed in the English language and in accordance with such directions as may be specified in the form or by the Authority.

(3) The Authority may refuse to accept any form if —

- (a) it is not completed or lodged in accordance with this regulation; or
- (b) it is not accompanied by the relevant fee referred to in regulation 9.

(4) Where strict compliance with any form is not possible, the Authority may allow for the necessary modifications to be made to that form, or for the requirements of that form to be complied with in such other manner as the Authority thinks fit.

Register of licensed builders

4.—(1) The register of licensed builders shall be divided into 3 sub-registers, each containing the particulars referred to in paragraph (2) in respect of the holders of the following licences:

- (a) the Class 1 general builder's sub-register for holders of a Class 1 general builder's licence;
- (b) the Class 2 general builder's sub-register for holders of a Class 2 general builder's licence; and
- (c) the specialist builder's sub-register for holders of a specialist builder's licence according to one or more of the following classes of specialist building works as is specified in the licence:
 - (i) piling works comprising installation and testing of pre-cast reinforced concrete or pre-stressed concrete piles, steel piles, bored cast-in-place reinforced concrete piles, caissons and special pile types like micro-piles, barrettes piles and composite piles, embedded retaining wall piles like diaphragm walls, contiguous bored piles or secant piles;
 - (ii) ground support and stabilisation works, including installation and testing of ground anchors, soil nails, rock bolts, ground treatment like chemical grouting and jet-grouting, reinforced-earth, shotcreting and tunnel supports;
 - (iii) site investigation work comprising field investigations, exploratory drilling or boring, logging, sampling, coring, in-situ plate-loading tests, pressure meter tests, penetration tests, vane shear tests, probing tests, permeability tests, geological mapping and geophysical surveys, and installation and monitoring of instruments measuring forces, deformation, displacements, pore and earth pressures, and ground-water levels;
 - (iv) structural steelwork comprising fabrication of structural elements, erection work like site cutting, site welding and site bolting, and installation of steel supports for underground building works;
 - (v) pre-cast concrete work comprising fabrication of pre-cast structural elements;