

Environmental Public Health (General Cleaning Industry) Regulations 2014

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ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH ACT (CHAPTER 95)

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH (GENERAL CLEANING INDUSTRY) REGULATIONS 2014

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 111 of the Environmental Public Health Act, the National Environment Agency, with the approval of the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Environmental Public Health (General Cleaning Industry) Regulations 2014 and shall come into operation on 1st April 2014.

Definitions

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

“licensee” means the holder of a cleaning business licence;

“salary period” has the same meaning as in section 20 of the Employment Act (Cap. 91).

Fees

3.—(1) The fees specified in the second column of the Schedule shall be payable to the Agency in respect of the matters specified opposite in the first column.

(2) The fees specified in the Schedule are not inclusive of any goods and services tax chargeable under the Goods and Services Tax Act (Cap. 117A).

Applicant to perform at least one cleaning contract prior to application

4. For the purposes of section 80G(4)(b)(i) of the Act, an applicant for a cleaning business licence must satisfy the Director-General that the applicant has, during the period of 12 months immediately preceding the date of its application for a cleaning business licence, performed or started performing at least one cleaning contract.

Applicant to have at least one experienced or qualified officer or employee

5. For the purposes of section 80G(4)(b)(ii) of the Act, an applicant for a cleaning business licence must satisfy the Director-General that the applicant has at least one officer or employee who —

(a) has not less than 2 years of practical experience in supervising cleaning work; or

(b) has been conferred by the Singapore Workforce Development Agency, for

attending all of the following training modules under the Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) System for Environmental Cleaning, a certificate for each of the training modules:

- (i) WSQ Advanced Certificate in Environmental Cleaning core module — “Supervise service operations”;
- (ii) WSQ Advanced Certificate in Environmental Cleaning core module — “Demonstrate and apply understanding of cleaning methods and processes”.

Applicant to have trained cleaners

6.—(1) For the purposes of section 80G(4)(d) of the Act, an applicant for a cleaning business licence who has more than one cleaner in the applicant’s employ as at the date of its application for a cleaning business licence must satisfy the Director-General as follows:

- (a) in the case of an application for the grant of a cleaning business licence, at least half of the cleaners in the applicant’s employ (but not including the cleaners who, as at the date of the application, are in the applicant’s employ for less than 3 months) have attended —
 - (i) any of the training modules under the Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) System for Environmental Cleaning; or
 - (ii) the Institute of Technical Education (ITE) Skills Certificate course in Housekeeping Operations (Healthcare);
- (b) in the case of an application for the renewal of a cleaning business licence, all the cleaners in the applicant’s employ (but not including the cleaners who, as at the date of the application, are in the applicant’s employ for less than 3 months) have attended —
 - (i) any of the training modules under the Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) System for Environmental Cleaning; or
 - (ii) the Institute of Technical Education (ITE) Skills Certificate course in Housekeeping Operations (Healthcare).

(2) For the purposes of section 80G(4)(d) of the Act, an applicant for a cleaning business licence who has only one cleaner in the applicant’s employ as at the date of its application for the grant or renewal of a cleaning business licence must satisfy the