

Workplace Safety and Health (General Provisions) Regulations

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PART I

PRELIMINARY

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1. These Regulations may be cited as the Workplace Safety and Health (General Provisions) Regulations.

Definitions

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

“competent person” means a person who has sufficient experience and training to perform the work required to be carried out, and has passed such courses as the Commissioner may require for that work;

“electrical equipment” —

(a) means any machine, appliance, apparatus or lighting fitting which consumes or utilises electricity in its operation or use; and

(b) includes any cable, wire and other device necessary to enable it to be connected to a source of electricity supply;

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“hazardous substance” means any hazardous substance specified in Part II of the Fifth Schedule to the Act;

“PEL (Long Term)” means the permissible exposure level over an 8-hour working day and a 40-hour work week;

“PEL (Short Term)” means the permissible exposure level over a 15-minute period during any working day;

“permissible exposure level” means the maximum time weighted average concentration of a toxic substance to which any person may be exposed;

“plant” means any machinery, vessel, pipe or other apparatus or combination thereof which is connected or used for the purpose of making a product;

“safe working load” means —

- (a) the safe working load specified in the certificate of test and examination obtained for the purposes of regulation 19, 20 or 21; or
- (b) where there is no such certificate, the safe working load as ascertained by an authorised examiner;

“safe working pressure” means the pressure specified in the report of examination referred to in regulation 28, 29 or 31;

“tank” includes any pipe and valve thereof and all its fittings and attachments;

“time weighted average concentration” means the concentration determined by adding together the products of each concentration and the corresponding time over which that concentration was measured, and dividing the sum by the total time over which the measurements were taken;

“toxic substance” means any substance which may cause irritation, bodily injury or any harmful effect to a person through ingestion, inhalation or contact with any body surface, and includes any substance specified in the First Schedule;

“transmission machinery” means every shaft, wheel, drum, pulley, system of fast and loose pulleys, coupling, clutch, driving-belt or other device by which the motion of a prime mover is transmitted to or received by any machine or appliance.

PART II

GENERAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO HEALTH

Infectious agents and biohazardous material

3.—(1) Where any person at work in any workplace carries out any process, operation or work involving exposure to any infectious agents or biohazardous material which may constitute a risk to his health, it shall be the duty of the employer of that person to take effective measures to protect that person from their harmful effects.