

# **Environmental Public Health (Public Cleansing) Regulations**

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## **FIRST SCHEDULE**

## **SECOND SCHEDULE Fees for the Collection and Removal of Refuse**

**THIRD SCHEDULE Area in Which the Collection and Removal of Refuse from Premises Designated under Section 8 (2) (b) of the Act Shall be Carried by Altvater Jakob Pte. Ltd**

**FOURTH SCHEDULE Area in Which the Collection and Removal of Refuse  
from Premises Designated under Section 8 (2) (b) of the Act Shall be Carried by  
Colex Holdings Ltd**

**Legislative History**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH ACT  
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**ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH (PUBLIC CLEANSING) REGULATIONS**

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**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Environmental Public Health (Public Cleansing) Regulations.

**Definitions**

**2.** For the purposes of these Regulations —

“direct refuse collection” means the collection of refuse directly from the individual premises, and not through an approved refuse bin centre or refuse bin compartment;

“domestic premises” means premises used exclusively for residential purposes and shall not include premises which are used, wholly or partly, for the purposes of or in connection with any trade, business or profession or as a hotel, boarding house, school, place of worship or mess;

“indirect refuse collection” means all methods of collection of refuse other than direct refuse collection;

“non-domestic premises” means premises other than domestic premises;  
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“public officer” includes any officer of any statutory board or body who has been authorised in writing by the Commissioner to carry out all or any of the powers conferred on a public officer by these Regulations.

### **Delegation of Commissioner’s powers**

**2A.** The Commissioner may delegate to any public officer, subject to such limitations as he may think fit to impose, all or any of the powers conferred on him by these Regulations.

### **Refuse bins**

**3.—**(1) The occupier of any domestic premises shall provide one or more refuse bins, as may be necessary, to contain the refuse therefrom.

(2) Every such refuse bin shall be —

- (a) provided with a tight and securely fitting cover or lid;
- (b) made of such material as may be approved by the Commissioner from time to time;  
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- (c) of a capacity exceeding 40 litres but not exceeding 85 litres;
- (d) of such shape, size and design as may be approved by the Commissioner from time to time;  
*[S 589/2005 wef 15/09/2005]*
- (e) kept in good repair and replaced when necessary by such occupier or if so directed by the Commissioner or by a public health officer; and  
*[S 589/2005 wef 15/09/2005]*
- (f) placed not later than 7 a.m. each day or at such other time or times as may be specified by the Commissioner or a public health officer —
  - (i) on the edge of the footway;
  - (ii) outside the gate of the house;
  - (iii) at a refuse bin centre or refuse bin compartment;
  - (iv) in some suitable and accessible position; or
  - (v) in such other place as may be directed by the Commissioner or a public health officer,

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to enable the refuse bin to be readily emptied and the contents removed.

(3) The occupier of any domestic premises or any other person shall not deposit or cause or permit to be deposited any dust, dirt, ashes, refuse, offal, rubbish or other matter or thing which is discarded from the domestic premises anywhere other than in the refuse bins.

(4) The occupier of any domestic premises or any other person who places a refuse bin at or in any of the places specified in paragraph (2)(f) shall ensure that the contents are not dropped or spilt out of or scattered from the refuse bin.

### **Receptacles for trade refuse**

4.—(1) The occupier of any building or land which, by the nature of the trade, manufacture or business at any time being carried on therein, produces trade refuse shall provide one or more sound and sufficient covered receptacles for the trade refuse as may be necessary, made of such material as may be approved by the Commissioner from time to time and of such shape, size and design as may be so approved.

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(2) Every such receptacle shall be kept in good repair and replaced when necessary by such occupier or if so directed by the Commissioner or a public health officer.

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(3) The occupier of any such building or land or any other person —

(a) shall not deposit or cause or permit to be deposited any trade refuse, rubbish or other matter or thing discarded from such building or land anywhere other than in the receptacles; and

(b) shall ensure that the contents of such receptacles are not dropped or spilt out of or scattered from such receptacles.

(4) Every receptacle containing trade refuse shall be placed in such position and between such hours as the Commissioner or a public health officer or any public officer authorised in writing in that behalf by the Commissioner may require to enable the receptacle to be readily emptied and the contents removed.

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### **Presumption in cases where trade refuse, etc., deposited**

5.—(1) If, in any proceedings for any contravention of regulation 3(3) or 4(3)(a), it is shown that any dust, dirt, ashes, offal, rubbish, trade refuse or other matter or thing was not deposited in a refuse bin or receptacle but in or on any street, drain or place, such street, drain or place being immediately in front of, behind or by the side of any building