

IMPORTANT ADVICE

DOs & DON'Ts for Applicants – Cinema / Theatre

DOs

- DO choose premises purposely built for cinema / theatre use or premises permitted under Part VIA of Building (Planning) Regulations and complied with the Code of Practice for the Provision of Means of Escape in Case of Fire 1996 published by the Buildings Department.
- DO prepare three copies of layout plans and air-conditioning / ventilation layout plans of the proposed premises drawn to scale (of a ratio not less than 1:100) and in metric units for submission together with the application to the respective licensing section of FEHD.
- DO appoint a registered fire service installation contractor for carrying out the works of installation / alteration / addition of fire service installations and equipment
- DO appoint a registered specialist contractor (ventilation works category) to certify that the works of installation / alteration / addition of mechanical ventilating system and the associated ventilating drawing comply with the Ventilation of Scheduled Premises Regulation, Cap.132CE and the fire safety requirements as specified in the Fire Services Department Circular Letters.

DON'Ts

- DON'T choose premises with co-existence of the following operations :
 - (a) a motor vehicle repair workshop;
 - (b) a petrol filling station;
 - (c) a godown or warehouse;
 - (d) a factory or an industrial undertaking;
 - (e) a school;
 - (f) a child care centre; or
 - (g) a residential care home for elderly persons.

(For enquiries, please contact the respective Licensing Division Office of the Fire Services Department.)

- DON'T choose premises at level two of a basement or below.
- DON'T choose premises in areas designed for other use, such as a carpark or a refuge floor.

Note: The above advice is only provided for facilitating the compliance of fire safety requirements, applicants are strongly advised to observe the conditions as stipulated by the Licensing Authority and other Government departments.