

False Claims about FSD-Approved/Authorized Fire Safety Talks & Revocation of Fire Safety Ambassador Membership

The Fire Services Department (FSD) has recently received a number of public enquiries or complaints regarding the false claims made by “XX Fire Prevention Organizations” or “XX Fire Danger Concern Groups” and “XX Fire Prevention Mutual-aid Organizations”. These Organizations/ Groups falsely claimed that they had obtained approval/authorization from the FSD to hold fire safety talks, but they would eventually proceed to promote the sale of fire-fighting equipment and products. As these acts might convey incorrect fire safety knowledge, you are therefore reminded to be alert so as not to be misled.

In the course of our investigation, we found that a Fire Safety Ambassador Trainer engaged in commercial activity by making use of his title. As his act has seriously contravened the appointment requirements of a Fire Safety Ambassador/ Fire Safety Ambassador Trainer, we have revoked his appointment and taken back his FSA Identity Card and Appointment Certificate.

In fact, FSD places great emphasis on fire safety education and is ready to provide free fire safety talks to community groups, organizations and schools, etc. Interested parties may submit their applications to the Community Relations Section (CRS) of the FSD. The application forms (FS/CR/3) are obtainable by fax, from CRS, or from the fire station nearest to their place of residence, or from our homepage (<http://www.hkfsd.gov.hk/home/eng/source/notices/efstalk.htm>) You may return the completed application forms by mail, fax or email. The address and contact numbers of the CRS office are as follows:

Address : North Wing, 7/F, Fire Services Headquarters Building
1 Hong Chong Road,
Tsim Sha Tsui East,
Kowloon
Tel. No. : 2170 9630
Fax. No. : 2391 3619

Lastly, we reiterate that FSD has never outsourced any fire safety talk to the private sector. In this connection, please inform us should you encounter the aforesaid situation. In case criminal offence is involved, it would be reported to the Police for follow-up action.

Community Relations Section, Fire Services Department
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