

Brief Notes of Liaison Meeting between FSD and Authorized Persons

Date : 17 September 2009 (Thursday)
Time : 1600 hours
Venue : Conference Room, Fire Safety Command, FSD

Matters Discussed in the Meeting :

1. Registered Fire Engineer (RFE) Scheme

The revised proposal of the Scheme was being fine-tuned. Another round of consultation would be launched after incorporating the comments/suggestions from the parties concerned.

2. Sounder Base for Fire Detection System in Hotels/Guesthouses and Student Hostels

FSD Circular Letter No. 2/2009 "*Sounder Bases of Smoke Detectors in Hotels/guesthouses and Student Hostels*" in both English and Chinese versions had been promulgated on 31.7.2009 and uploaded into FSD Website. The new requirement had been taken effect from 1 September 2009 for all initial building plan submissions received by FSD.

3. Remote Indicating Lamp Plate

FSD Circular Letter No. 1/2009 "*Rules for Fire Detection and Fire Alarm Systems for Buildings*" in both English and Chinese versions, incorporated the design and specifications of the remote indicating lamp plate, had been promulgated on 16.7.2009 and uploaded into FSD Website. The new requirement had been taken effect from 1 September 2009 for all initial building plan submissions received by FSD.

4. Glass Fronted Metal Casing at Emergency Exit Door

In July 2009 FSD had received complaints against the emergency exit devices installed at the exit doors being covered by glass fronted metal casings in buildings. From operational point of view, the glass fronted metal casing was not acceptable as it would hamper the latch operation and render the exit door could not readily and conveniently be opened from within the premises.

It had been agreed between BD and FSD that FSD would take appropriate enforcement action including the issuance of Fire Hazard Abatement Notice to the responsible person(s) in order to rectify such irregularities.

An ad hoc meeting with the Hong Kong Association Property Management Co. Ltd. was held on 17 August 2009 to exchange the views on this issue.

ArchSD had informed all government bureaux and departments on the arrangement of removing the glass fronted metal casing at emergency exit doors in government premises.

HD had also confirmed that removal of glass fronted metal casing at emergency exit doors was completed in all public housing estates. It was being notified for information of members only with no further discussion, the meeting agreed to delete this item in the next meeting.

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