Fire Safety Standards Advisory Group (FSSAG) Matter Discussed in the 77th FSSAG Meeting held on 11 September 2024

1. Streamlining Application Procedures for Exemption of Sprinkler Installation underneath Canopy or in Inaccessible Voids

FSD informed the meeting that as at 26 August 2024, comments and feedback on the proposed forms for Application for Exemption of Sprinkler Installation (i) at the underside of canopy/flat roof/balcony/projected floor slab/AC platform and (ii) inside raised floor void/ceiling void/inaccessible void/other areas had been received from stakeholders, including FSICA, SFPE-HK Chapter, ArchSD, AAP, HKIE (Building Services Division) and HKIE (Fire Division). These comments would be considered and taken into account accordingly. The R-to-C table would be circulated to stakeholders concerned in due course.

It was expected that the captioned forms should be finalized shortly so as to streamline the application procedures.

2. Establishment of Focus Group in Reviewing and Exploring Measures to Streamline FSI Acceptance Mechanism (FSD)

FSD briefed that subsequent to the expansion of the Fire Protection Engineering Compliance Division with effect from 5 August 2024, liaison meetings with relevant stakeholders were conducted/being arranged to seek views from their perspectives. Besides, statistical analysis on the work process and time required for FSI acceptance inspections was being conducted for reviewing the workflows of internal and external administrative procedures, as well as setting up relevant KPIs. Members would be kept updated on the latest progress.

3. Clarification for Technical Guidance for LPC Rules incorporating BS EN 12845:2015

FSD informed the meeting that there was no further update on the issue. As no further discussion on the issue was required so far, it was proposed and members agreed to delete the item in the next meeting.

4. Symbol for Clean Fire Extinguishing Agents

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