

Summary of Notes of 59th Ventilation Installations Liaison Group Meeting

(held on 21.03.2019)

1.	<p><u>Electrical Interlock and VAC Control System for Licensed Food Premises</u></p> <p>The Chairman reported after confirmation on no comment from the FSSAG on the revised cases 12/1 to 12/5 of current FSD Circular Letter 2/2005, FSD Circular Letter No. 1/2019 was issued on 15 January 2019 with immediate effect. This item would be deleted in next meeting.</p>
2.	<p><u>Use of Pre-insulated Panels for the Construction of Air Ducts in Mechanical Ventilating System</u></p> <p>The Chairman advised that one submission on the captioned material was approved. The application of the products would be continued to review in the trial period according to FSD Circular Letter No. 1/2014 which would be extended to 29 October 2020. This item would be brought up in June 2020.</p>
3.	<p><u>Registered Fire Engineer (RFE) Scheme</u></p> <p>FSD was seeking views from stakeholders in the industry as well as various government departments in the implementation of scheme. In parallel, the code of practice, relevant procedures and workflows were also under reviewed. Members expressed their concern on eligibility criteria to RFE(Vent) for existing registered specialist contractor (ventilation works category) with years of working experience in the industry. They enquired if there would be any top up course facilitating their advancement to registered fire engineer. Advice would be sought from the relevant officer and enquiries would be responded accordingly.</p>
4.	<p><u>Annual Inspection of Ventilating System in Residential Flats with Open Kitchen Design</u></p> <p>After briefing was conducted in the AP Liaison meeting, the Chairman reported that a new form was designed for collecting data of installation of fire dampers in open kitchen unit and window-less kitchen/ toilet in new developments which had been uploaded in FSD web site. FSD was updating the database and the information would be used for identification of cases for audit of annual inspection certificates.</p>

5.	<p><u>Minor Refinements for Annual Inspection Certificates</u></p> <p>The secretary advised that the latest version of AIC was adopted in January 2019 and submissions from RSCV with updated versions were received. Explanation on the minor amendments on the completion of section of “Partial Submission” from some RSCVs as well as remarks on foot notes of the forms incorporated was given in the meeting for the information of members.</p>
6.	<p><u>Ventilating Systems for Modular Integrated Construction System with “Domestic”/”Hostel” as the Intended Uses</u></p> <p>With a view to facilitating AP, RFSIC and the industry to meet the prescribed FS requirements for projects adopting MiC construction method, a Guidance Notes (GN) was being prepared by FSD for information of the industry. It was noted that there would be no major change in statutory and fire safety requirement for ventilating system in building and licensed premises.</p>
7	<p><u>Annual Inspection Certificate for licence of Marine Restaurant</u></p> <p>As discussed in the 16th inter-departmental Liaison Meeting between BD/FEHD/FSD, FSD would forward the annual inspection certificate for Marine Restaurant to FEHD for their liaison with relevant departments for the above type of licenced premises which were located inside vessels.</p>