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Dear Sir/Madam,

### **BUILDING CONTROL (LICENSING OF BUILDERS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2009**

This circular is to inform you of various amendments to the Building Control (Licensing of Builders) (Amendment) Regulations 2009 which have been published in the Government Gazette and have been effected on 16 Jun 09.

2 We would like to highlight that certain requirements regarding the implementation of CoreTrade have been added to the Regulations. A summary of the amendments and certain points you may wish to take note of regarding CoreTrade are as follows.

#### **Lodgment of manpower programme**

3 A Class 1 general builder, undertaking a project of value \$20 million or more, is required to lodge a manpower programme that satisfies the requirements in **Annex A**, no later than the 30th day after the permit to carry out structural works has been granted.

4 The manpower programme, to be lodged on the website at <http://www.bca.gov.sg/coretrade/submission>, must contain amongst other things the number of the registered construction personnel to be employed in connection with each class of work in the project and the period each registered construction personnel is to be employed.

#### **Updating of manpower programme**

5 After a manpower programme is lodged, the builder must, before deploying any registered construction personnel to work in connection with the project work, lodge an update containing the name, number and other particulars of the certificate of registration of each of the registered construction personnel.

6 If any changes occur to the details of the manpower programme, including changes in the value of the project work, expected date of completion, or particulars or number of registered construction personnel specified in the manpower programme after a manpower programme is lodged, the builder must lodge a notice describing the changes on the website at <http://www.bca.gov.sg/coretrade/submission>.

**Steps to ensure compliance with the manpower programme.**

7 The builder is required to keep and maintain a copy of the manpower programme lodged and updated at every project site. The daily attendance for all registered construction personnel employed in connection with the manpower programme is to be recorded in the Site Attendance book. The Site Attendance book can be collected at Building and Construction Authority Academy at 200, Braddell Road, Singapore 579700


8 Please read the gazetted copies of the amendments to the Regulations downloadable from our corporate web site at [http://www.bca.gov.sg/coretrade/coretrade\\_introduction.html](http://www.bca.gov.sg/coretrade/coretrade_introduction.html).

9 Should you need further clarifications, please contact Mr Kenneth Lua at Tel: 63255200 or by e-mail to: [bca\\_coretrade@bca.gov.sg](mailto:bca_coretrade@bca.gov.sg).

10 I would appreciate it if you could disseminate the contents of this circular and the amendment to your members.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,



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**(A) New Building Works**

The table below shows the deployment requirements for new building works:

Class of CoreTrade Personnel	Trades	Man-years Required		Remarks
		First \$100m	Excess of \$100m	
Foremen	Structural trades: - RC Works - Structural Steel Works	0.5MY per \$10m	0.5MY per \$20m	Combination of man-years between these 2 trades is allowed.
	AND			
Tradesmen	Non- structural trades: - Electrical Works - Plumbing and Piping Works - Tiling and Stone Laying Works - Waterproofing Works	0.5MY per \$10m	0.5MY per \$20m	Combination of man-years among these 4 trades is allowed.
	AND			
Tradesmen	Construction Plant Operation	0.5MY per \$10m	0.5MY per \$20m	
	AND			
Tradesmen	- Electrical Works - Plumbing and Piping Works - Tiling and Stone Laying Works	0.5MY per \$10m	0.5MY per \$20m	Combination of man-years among these 3 trades is allowed.
	AND			

**(B) Addition and Alteration Works**

The table below shows the deployment requirements for addition and alteration works.

Class of Coretrade Personnel	Trades	Man-years Required		Remarks
		First \$100m	Excess of \$100m	
Foremen	<u>Structural trades:</u> - RC Works - Structural Steel Works	0.5MY per \$10m	0.5MY per \$20m	Combination of man-years between these 2 trades is allowed.
	AND			
Tradesmen	<u>Non- structural trades:</u> - Electrical Works - Plumbing and Piping Works - Tiling and Stone Laying Works - Waterproofing Works	0.5MY per \$10m	0.5MY per \$20m	Combination of man-years among these 4 trades is allowed.
	AND			
Tradesmen	-Construction Plant Operation -Electrical Works -Plumbing and Piping Works -Tiling and Stone Laying Works	1MY per \$10m	1MY per \$20m	Combination of man-years among these 4 trades is allowed.
	AND			

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**(C) Civil engineering works**

The table below shows the deployment requirements for civil engineering works:

Class of Coretrade Personnel	Trades	Man-years Required		Remarks
		First \$100m	Excess of \$100m	
Foremen	Structural trades: -RC Works -Structural Steel Works	0.5MY per \$10m	0.5MY per \$20m	Combination of man-years between these 2 trades is allowed.
Tradesmen	Construction Plant Operation	0.5MY per \$10m	0.5MY per \$20m	
<b>OR</b>				
Foremen	Structural trades: -RC Works -Structural Steel Works	1MY per \$10m	1MY per \$20m	This combination is only allowed if Construction Plant Operation is not applicable in the project.

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