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Dear Sir/Madam

### **LAUNCH OF THE BCA UNIVERSAL DESIGN (UD) MARK VERSION 2.0 (2015)**

#### **Objective**

This circular is to inform the industry on the launch of Universal Design (UD) Mark Version 2.0 (2015).

#### **Background**

2 The UD Mark certification scheme was introduced in October 2012 to accord recognition to developments and stakeholders that adopt a user-centric philosophy in their design, operations and maintenance. To raise the bar on UD adoption in the built environment, Universal Design Mark Version 2.0 (2015) was launched on 27 July 2015.

#### **Details of the Revision**

- 3 Universal Design Mark Version 2.0 (2015) incorporated the following:
- (a) Revised points system for performance ratings;
  - (b) Revised criteria to align with Code on Accessibility in the Built Environment 2013; and
  - (c) Additional UD features which would enhance the user-friendliness of the built environment.



#### 4 Revised Points System for Performance Ratings

The performance rating weightage points has been revised with descriptions of objectives stated so as to improve applicants' understanding on the qualitative standards and scoring requirements expected in the UD Mark certification. The revised points system is shown below:

Performance Rating Points System

Current	New (Version 2.0)
Certified (50 to 64 points)	No change
Gold (65 to 74 points)	Gold (65 to 79 points)
Gold <sup>PLUS</sup> (75 points and above)	Gold <sup>PLUS</sup> (80 points and above)
Platinum (75 points and above; panel assessment required)	Platinum (85 points and above; panel assessment required)

#### Implementation Timeline

5 The UD Mark Version 2.0 (2015) will apply to projects with building plan submission submitted for regulatory approval complying with Code on Accessibility in the Built Environment 2013. The current version of UD Mark certification scheme will continue to apply to projects where building plan submission complies with Code on Accessibility in the Built Environment 2007.

#### Assessment and application

6 Details on the assessment and application process can be found in our website at <http://www.bca.gov.sg/friendlybuilding>. For clarifications, please contact Ms Cheong Yin Oi or Ms Joyce Tung at 6804 4762, or email: [bca\\_ud@bca.gov.sg](mailto:bca_ud@bca.gov.sg).

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