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ENTERPRISE SINGAPORE CALLS FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS – 3 MARCH 2023

Under the National Standardisation Programme, the public comment period is an important stage of standards development. Members of the public are invited to provide feedback on draft Singapore Standards for publication and work item proposals for development and review of Singapore Standards and Technical References. The establishment of Singapore Standards is done in accordance with the World Trade Organisation's requirements for the development of national standards.

Members of the public are invited to comment on the following Singapore Standards:

Notification of Draft Singapore Standards for Publication

(I) Building and Construction

Mature standard

1. Specification for preformed waterproofing membranes for concealed roofing system [SS 374:1994(2017)]

This standard specifies the performance requirements and the evaluation methods for the bituminous and non-bituminous preformed membranes for use as waterproofing material for concealed roofing system. The standard covers both fully bonded and loosely laid preformed membranes but does not cover the weathering effect in an exposed roofing system.

Users of the standard may include architects, engineers, consultants, developers and testing/accreditation bodies.

It is proposed to classify SS 374:1994(2017) as a mature standard as there are no foreseeable changes to the standard. Hence, it will not be reviewed until a request is put forth to do so.

Closing date for comments: **4 May 2023**

(II) Electrical and Electronic

Revision

2. Code of practice for temporary electrical installations – Part 3 : Shipbuilding and ship-repairing yards (Revision of CP 88-3:2004)

This standard deals principally with the provision of temporary electricity supply from shore fixed installations or from mobile generating sets to vessel(s) under construction and during repair and conversion work.

It covers all temporary electrical installations in the building and repairing of vessels in the yards. It applies to electrical installations set up for the provision of electricity supply during the execution of the works in:

- (a) shipbuilding and repairing yards;
- (b) vessels moored alongside the yards; and
- (c) confined spaces or confined locations or other similar situations on board vessels.

This standard was released for public comment from 4 November 2022 to 5 January 2023. The Working Group had since then deliberated and addressed the comments received. The main changes are as follows:

- Amended the vertical clearance above the main deck of the vessel to a range of 1.0 m to 1.5 m;
- Included the definitions for “competent person” and “temporary electrical installation”.

NOTE – The revised edition of CP 88-3 will be renumbered as SS 650-3.

Potential users of the standard include industry associations, testing laboratories, service providers, shipping companies and relevant government agencies.

Closing date for comments: **4 April 2023**

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Frequently asked questions about public comment on Singapore Standards:

1. What is the public comment on Singapore Standards?

Singapore Standards are established based on an open system which is also in accordance with the requirements of the World Trade Organisation. These documents are issued as part of a consultation process before any standards are introduced or reviewed. The public comment period is an important stage in the development of Singapore Standards. This mechanism helps industry, companies and other stakeholders to be aware of forthcoming changes to Singapore Standards and provides them with an opportunity to influence, before their publication, the standards that have been developed by their industry and for their industry.

2. How does public comment on Singapore Standards benefit me?

This mechanism:

- ensures that your views are considered and gives you the opportunity to influence the content of the standards in your area of expertise and in your industry;
- enables you to be familiar with the content of the standards before they are published, and you stand to gain a competitive advantage with this prior knowledge of the standards.

3. Why do I have to pay for the standards which are proposed for review or withdrawal?

These standards are available for **free viewing** at Toppan Leefung Pte Ltd and all Public Libraries. However, the normal price of the standard will be charged for those who wish to purchase a copy. At the stage where we propose to review or withdraw the standards, the standards are still current and in use. We seek comments for these standards so as to:

- provide an opportunity for the industry to provide inputs for the review of the standard that would make the standard suitable for the industry's use,
- provide feedback on the continued need for the standard so that it will not be withdrawn.

4. Why are comments only accepted through the new public comment form provided by Enterprise Singapore?

We have developed a new public comment form which will enable users to submit their comments in a standardised and structured manner. The Working Group (WG) that will be reviewing the comments will have a better understanding of what the commenter has proposed, the rationale for the changes and where these changes will be made in the standard. This will assist the WG in addressing the comments more effectively.

5. What happens after I have submitted my comments?

The comments will be channelled to the relevant WGs for consideration, and you will be informed of the outcome of the committee's decision. You may be invited to meet the WG if clarification is required on your feedback.

6. Can I view drafts after the public comment period?

Drafts will not be available after the public comment period.

7. How do I request for the development of a new standard?

You can propose the development of a new standard [here](#).