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Dear Sir/Mdm

## AMENDMENT TO FIRE CODE – RELEASE OF THE FIRE CODE 2013 EDITION

SCDF is pleased to announce the release of the 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the Code of Practice for Fire Precautions in Building 2013 (also commonly referred to as Fire Code). The code serves as an authoritative source on fire safety standards for local buildings and is used by the industry in designing fire safety works in buildings.

2. The review of the code was conducted by the Fire Code Review Committee, which is chaired by SCDF and comprises representatives from the building industry, government agencies and academic institutions. Its primary objective is to ensure fire safety standards keep pace with the changing building development trends and reflect the needs of the building industry. The code was thus largely shaped by the industry's practices and experiences through feedback gathered at SCDF's many consultation sessions, seminars and workshops with the industry.

3. The Fire Code 2013 edition has incorporated changes that were previously disseminated via circulars and their implementation dates shall remain as that reflected in these circulars. There are also other changes made to the code and these are reflected in Annex A. These changes shall take effect on 15 July 2013. The grace period is to give the building industry sufficient lead time to plan ahead for any new building projects. Any building projects that are submitted to SCDF for approval on or after the effective date will be subjected to the new code.



4. Unlike previous editions of the Fire Code, this latest edition comes in a single volume as preferred by majority of the Fire Code Review members. The code is priced at \$96.50 (inclusive of GST) and can be purchased at SCDF Headquarters, Customers Service Counter at 1<sup>st</sup> storey from 15 January 2013. Its electronic version is also made available at no charge at SCDF's website at [www.scdf.gov.sg](http://www.scdf.gov.sg).

5. Please convey the contents of this circular to members of your Institution/Association/ Board. The circular is also available in CORENET-e-Info: <http://www.corenet.gov.sg/einfo>.

6. Should you have enquiries pertaining to code clarification, please contact: Mr Randy Tan at DID: 68481461 or MAJ Cheong Yew Dong at DID: 68481410. For other enquiries pertaining to the sale of the code, please contact Mdm Poh Lian Wah at 68481728.

Yours faithfully,

(transmitted via e-mail)  
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1	Cl.2.6.2	Mezzanine floor
2	Cl.2.7.3	Measurement of travel distance
3	Cl.2.10.3	Photo luminescent marking
4	Cl.4.2.2(a)(iii), Cl.4.2.2(a)(v)	Accessway for fire fighting appliances
5	Cl.4.4.1(d)	Private fire hydrant
6	Cl.6.6.3(g)	Fire lift
7	Appendix 8 item C4	Provision of Fire Lift
8	Appendix 20 item 7	Means to Alert The Hearing Impaired

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