



## REQUEST FOR FEEDBACK

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**GAS ACT  
(CHAPTER 116A)**

**GAS (SUPPLY) REGULATIONS 2007**

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 96 of the Gas Act, the Energy Market Authority of Singapore, with the approval of the Minister for Trade and Industry, hereby makes the following Regulations:

PART I  
PRELIMINARY

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Gas (Supply) Regulations 2007 and shall come into operation on 2007.

**Definitions**

- 2.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —
  - “Building and Construction Authority” means the Building and Construction Authority established under the Building and Construction Authority Act (Cap. 30A);
  - “consumer’s internal pipe” means the part of the gas installation within the premises of a consumer between a meter installation and a gas appliance;

- “designated representative” means a professional engineer or a licensed gas service worker appointed by the developer or a responsible person for the premises;
- “flue” means a passage for conveying the products of combustion from a gas appliance to the external air and includes any part of the passage in a gas appliance ventilation duct which serves the purpose of a flue;
- “gas meter control valve” means a valve at the inlet of any meter used for the purpose of turning on or off a supply of gas through such meter to any gas installation;
- “gas metering code” means the code of practice approved by the Authority, as may be supplemented, varied, modified or replaced from time to time;
- “gas service worker licence” means a licence granted by the Authority under regulation 24;
- “gas supply code” means the code of practice approved by the Authority, as may be supplemented, varied, modified or replaced from time to time;
- “Institute of Technical Education” means the Institute of Technical Education, Singapore established under the Institute of Technical Education Act (Cap. 141A);
- “leak free” means there is no gas leak at any part of a gas installation and this is to be verified with appropriate testing as specified in Singapore Standard CP 51;
- “meter installation” means a system that includes a meter and any associated pipes, fittings, components, equipment or instruments;
- “professional engineer” means any person who is registered as a professional engineer in the mechanical engineering discipline under the Professional Engineers Act (Cap. 253);
- “purging” means a series of measures that is taken to replace air or gas in any pipe of a gas installation for the purpose of preventing the formation of an explosive mixture of gas and air in such pipe;
- “Register” means the register of licensed gas service workers maintained under regulation 26;
- “relevant gas retailer” means a person holding a gas retailer’s licence to whom an application under regulation 3(1) is made;
- “responsible person”, in relation to any premises, means the consumer or occupier of the premises or, where there is no consumer or occupier or the occupier is away, the owner of the premises, the management corporation constituted under the Land Titles (Strata) Act (Cap. 158) or any other person with the authority for the time being to take appropriate action in relation to any gas installation therein;
- “Singapore Standard CP 51” means the Singapore Standard CP 51 published by the Standards, Productivity and Innovation Board (or its

successor or replacement entity), as may be supplemented, varied, modified or replaced from time to time;

“valve” means a device for the purpose of controlling or shutting off gas flow and includes a gas service isolation valve.

(2) For the purposes of these Regulations, any reference to installing a gas fitting includes a reference to converting any pipe, fitting, meter, apparatus or appliance to use gas supplied through the pipes.

## PART II

### SUPPLY OF GAS

#### **Application for supply**

3.—(1) Except where the consumer is a direct access customer, an application for a supply of gas or for an increase to an existing supply thereof shall be made to a gas retailer.

(2) Where the applicant is a direct access customer, an application for a supply of gas or for an increase to an existing supply thereof shall be made to a gas transporter as if the application was for the connection of any gas installation for the supply of gas under regulation 5(1) and the provisions of Part III shall apply.

(3) Every application referred to in paragraph (1) shall be —

- (a) made in such form as may be required by the relevant gas retailer; and
- (b) accompanied by such plans and specifications of any gas installation as required and approved by the gas retailer in accordance with the procedures specified in the gas supply code.

(4) Where an application is made under paragraph (1), the relevant gas retailer shall —

- (a) where the applicant is not the owner of the gas installation through which gas is to be supplied, satisfy himself, before making available such supply or increase applied for, that the applicant has obtained the consent of the owner for such gas installation to be used for the supply or the increase applied for;
- (b) prior to turning on the gas supply at the relevant gas meter control valve, ensure that appropriate tests as prescribed in the gas supply code are conducted on the gas appliance and the consumer’s internal pipe including the meter installation to ascertain that it is safe to turn on the gas supply;
- (c) upon the completion of the tests referred to in sub-paragraph (b), if the gas supply is not turned on and the consumer’s internal pipe including the meter installation is left

unattended, ensure that the appropriate tests are conducted again before turning on the gas supply; and

- (d) after turning on the gas supply, immediately issue a statement of turn-on, which shall be in such form as may be approved by the Authority, signed by the officer or agent of the relevant gas retailer, and countersigned by the applicant or a person authorised by the applicant.

(5) Unless otherwise provided in these Regulations, no person other than an officer or agent of the relevant gas retailer shall turn on the relevant gas meter control valve.

(6) Where the applicant is a direct access customer, the applicant shall —

- (a) where he is not the owner of the gas installation through which the supply of gas is to be conveyed, obtain the consent of the owner for such gas installation to be used for the supply or the increase applied for; and
- (b) ensure that appropriate tests are conducted by a professional engineer on the gas appliance and the consumer's internal pipe including the meter installation to ascertain that it is safe to turn on the gas supply, prior to turning on the gas supply at the relevant gas meter control valve.

(7) Any person who contravenes paragraph (5) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

#### **Power to discontinue supply or refusal to supply**

4.—(1) The relevant gas retailer shall refuse to supply gas to any premises if the gas installation or gas appliance to which such supply is made is unsafe for use or does not comply with these Regulations.

(2) When the relevant gas retailer becomes aware that any gas installation or gas appliance to which a supply of gas is made is unsafe, it shall immediately discontinue such supply of gas.

(3) In the event that the supply of gas is discontinued under paragraph (2), no person other than the gas retailer shall restore the supply of gas.

(4) The relevant gas retailer shall inform the gas transporter and the applicant or the responsible person for the premises of any discontinuance or restoration of any supply of gas made by it.

### PART III

#### CONNECTION OF GAS INSTALLATION AND GAS FITTING

##### **Application for connection**

5.—(1) An application for the connection of any gas installation for the supply of gas shall be made to a gas transporter.

- (2) Every application referred to in paragraph (1) shall be —
- (a) made in such form as may be required by the gas transporter; and
  - (b) accompanied by such plans and specifications of such gas installation required and approved by the gas transporter in accordance with the procedures specified in the gas supply code.
- (3) Where an application is made under paragraph (1), the gas transporter shall —
- (a) prior to making the connection applied for under that paragraph, ensure that the appropriate tests as prescribed in the gas supply code are performed by a designated representative on the gas installation from the gas service isolation valve to (but excluding) the meter installation to ascertain that it is safe to make such connection;
  - (b) upon the completion of the tests referred to in sub-paragraph (a), if gas is not admitted into the gas installation up to (but excluding) the meter installation and the said portion of the gas installation is left unattended, any connection to the gas installation shall be disconnected and the gas transporter shall ensure that the appropriate tests are conducted again by a designated representative, before admitting the gas; and
  - (c) after admitting gas into the gas installation up to (but excluding) the meter installation, immediately issue a statement of admittance of gas (which shall be in such form as may be approved by the Authority) signed by the officer of the gas transporter responsible for the admittance of gas, and counter-signed by the applicant and his designated representative.
- (4) Unless otherwise provided in these Regulations, no person other than an officer or agent of the gas transporter shall turn on the gas service isolation valve.
- (5) Any person who contravenes paragraph (4) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

### **Gas service isolation valve**

6. The point at which every gas service pipe shall terminate and the location of each gas service isolation valve for any premises to which gas is supplied or to be supplied by a gas transporter shall be determined by the gas transporter.

### **Refusal to connect or power to disconnect**

7.—(1) The gas transporter shall refuse to connect any gas installation or gas fitting to the gas pipeline network if the gas installation or gas fitting is unsafe for use or does not comply with these Regulations.

(2) Where a gas installation or gas fitting is connected to the gas pipeline network, or a replacement of or an addition or alteration to a gas installation or

gas fitting already connected thereto is made, in contravention of any of the provisions of these Regulations, the gas transporter shall have the right to disconnect such gas installation or gas fitting from the gas pipeline network.

(3) When the gas transporter becomes aware that a gas installation or gas fitting is unsafe or it is no longer to be used to supply gas to any consumer, it shall immediately disconnect the gas installation or gas fitting from the gas pipeline network.

(4) Where any gas installation or gas fitting is disconnected from the gas pipeline network, the gas transporter shall take steps to ensure that the disconnected gas installation or gas fitting is safe.

(5) In the event the gas transporter disconnects any gas installation or gas fitting for safety reasons, the supply of gas shall not be reconnected unless that gas transporter is satisfied that it is safe to do so.

(6) Where the gas transporter refuses to connect under paragraph (1) or the gas transporter disconnects under paragraph (2) any gas installation or gas fitting from the gas pipeline network, it shall immediately give notice in writing for its decision to the applicant or the responsible person for the premises, as the case may be.

#### PART IV

### GAS INSTALLATION, GAS FITTING AND GAS APPLIANCE

#### **Compliance with standards**

**8.** A gas service worker shall ensure that any gas service work which he carries out is in compliance with Singapore Standard CP 51 issued by the Standards, Productivity and Innovation Board, or with such other standard or code of practice as the Authority may determine.

#### **Inspection and maintenance of gas installation, etc.**

**9.—**(1) Except where the consumer is a direct access customer, a gas transporter shall ensure that any gas installation which is used to supply gas to the premises of that consumer —

- (a) is maintained at all times in a safe and proper operating condition;
- (b) functions at all times in a reliable manner; and
- (c) is reasonably protected against damage.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1), the gas transporter may require the responsible person for any premises to engage a licensed gas service worker or a professional engineer to certify the fitness of gas fittings located within the premises that link the gas service isolation valve to (but excluding) the meter.

(3) Where the gas fitting is used for the supply of gas to a direct access customer, the gas transporter may, in discharging its obligation under section 29(4) of the Act, require the direct access customer to —

- (a) engage a professional engineer to certify the fitness of such part of the gas installation for which the direct access customer is responsible under regulation 12; and
- (b) submit a certificate of fitness by that professional engineer.

(4) Any person who fails to submit the certificate of fitness as required under subsection (3) or who submits such certificate of fitness knowing that it is false or misleading shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.

(5) The gas transporter shall ensure that the gas installation or gas fitting in any premises is inspected at such intervals in accordance with such code of practice as may be approved by the Authority.

#### **Responsibilities of responsible persons to inspect, etc., gas service pipes**

**10.** The responsible person for any premises shall at his own expense be responsible for the inspection, maintenance, repair or renewal of any part of the gas pipe linking the gas service isolation valve to the gas installation or any gas fitting within the premises.

#### **Responsibilities of consumers to maintain gas appliances, etc.**

**11.** The consumer shall at his own expense be responsible for the proper maintenance, repair or replacement of the gas appliances and the consumer's internal pipe located within his premises after the meter.

#### **Responsibilities of direct access customers to maintain gas fittings, etc.**

**12.** The direct access customer shall at his own expense be responsible for the proper maintenance, repair or renewal of the gas plants and gas appliances, and of such gas fittings as may be agreed upon between the gas transporter and the direct access customer.

#### **Replacement, addition or alteration of gas installation, etc.**

**13.—(1)** No person shall carry out any replacement of, or addition or alteration to, the gas installation or gas fitting located from the gas service isolation valve to (and including) the meter installation unless —

- (a) he has made an application for the approval of such replacement of, or addition or alteration to, the gas transporter; and
- (b) the gas transporter has approved the application.

(2) Where the consumer is a direct access customer, no person shall carry out any installation or replacement of, or addition or alteration to, the gas fitting unless —

- (a) he is a professional engineer; or
  - (b) he is under the supervision of a professional engineer when carrying out the work.
- (3) Where the consumer is not a direct access customer, no person shall carry out any replacement of, or addition or alteration to, the consumer's internal pipe unless —
- (a) he has made an application for the approval of such replacement of, or addition or alteration to, the relevant gas retailer; and
  - (b) the relevant gas retailer has approved the application.
- (4) Any person who contravenes paragraph (1), (2) or (3) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

#### **Protection of gas installation, etc., against damage**

- 14.—**(1) Any person who installs a gas installation or gas fitting shall ensure that every part of it is properly supported and protected from damage.
- (2) Subject to paragraph (3), no person shall install a gas installation or gas fitting in a position where it is likely to be exposed to any substance which may corrode the gas installation or gas fitting.
- (3) Paragraph (2) shall not apply to a gas installation or gas fitting that is —
- (a) constructed of materials resistant to being so corroded; or
  - (b) suitably protected against such corrosion.
- (4) Any person who contravenes paragraph (1) or (2) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

#### **Work on premises not to affect existing gas installation, etc.**

- 15.—**(1) No person shall carry out or cause to be carried out any work on any premises which may affect the gas installation or gas fitting on those premises in such a manner that the subsequent use of such gas installation or gas fitting might endanger any person or property.
- (2) Before any person carries out or causes to be carried out any work on any premises which may affect the gas installation or gas fitting on those premises, he shall —
- (a) take due care to ascertain the existence of any gas supply to the premises and the location of the gas fitting within those premises; and
  - (b) take the necessary precautions to ensure that the work will not cause any damage to the gas fitting within those premises.
- (3) Any person carrying out or causing to be carried out any work on any premises which may affect the gas installation or gas fitting on those premises shall —

- (a) check at the end of each day's work that the relevant gas meter does not register any passage of gas when all gas appliances within the premises have been turned off; and
  - (b) take such other steps as may be necessary to detect any escape of gas into those premises.
- (4) Any person carrying out or causing to be carried out any work on any premises who knows or has reason to suspect that gas is escaping into those premises shall immediately —
- (a) take all reasonable steps to cause the supply of gas to be shut off at such place as may be necessary to prevent further escape of the gas; and
  - (b) inform the gas transporter of the escape or suspected escape of gas into those premises.
- (5) Any person who contravenes paragraph (1), (2), (3) or (4) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both.

**Safe use of gas installation, etc.**

**16.—**(1) No person shall use any gas installation or gas fitting unless it is installed in a position where it can be used safely.

- (2) No person shall use —
  - (a) a pipe conveying or supplying gas;
  - (b) a gas installation; or
  - (c) a gas fitting,

for earth connection or as a protective conductor for any circuit in an electrical or a supply installation.

(3) Any person who contravenes paragraph (1) or (2) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

**Work on pipe containing gas**

**17.—**(1) No person shall carry out any work on any pipe that is used or intended to be used as part of a gas installation or gas fitting unless he has taken all reasonable steps to ensure that the work will not cause danger to any person or property.

(2) Any person who contravenes paragraph (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both.

**Re-admitting gas on completion of work**

**18.—**(1) Any person who carries out any work in relation to a gas installation or gas fitting which may affect the integrity of any part of that gas installation

or gas fitting thereof shall, upon the completion of such work, ensure that the affected part of the gas installation or gas fitting has been installed in compliance with these Regulations and is appropriately tested to verify that it is gas-tight.

(2) Any person who has completed any work referred to in paragraph (1) shall ensure that —

- (a) immediately after complying with that paragraph, purging is safely carried out on the gas installation to prevent the formation of any potentially explosive mixture of air and gas in the gas installation;
- (b) if such purging has been carried out through a loosened connection, appropriate tests are conducted on the connection to confirm that it is leak free after it has been re-tightened;
- (c) every seal fitted after such purging is appropriately tested to confirm that it is leak free; and
- (d) if a supply of gas has been discontinued to any other part of the gas installation or gas fitting which may be affected by the work referred to in that paragraph, appropriate tests are conducted on that part of the gas installation or gas fitting to confirm that it is leak free when re-admitting gas.

(3) If gas is not re-admitted to the gas installation or gas fitting referred to in paragraph (1) on completion of the procedures referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2), any person who re-admits gas to such gas installation or gas fitting shall ensure that the procedures are re-performed accordingly.

(4) Any person who contravenes paragraph (1), (2) or (3) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

### **Installation of gas appliance**

**19.**—(1) Any person who installs any gas appliance shall ensure that the appliance can be used without constituting a danger to any person or property, and for this purpose, he shall ensure that —

- (a) the gas appliance is installed in accordance with the specifications of the manufacturer;
- (b) there is available a sufficient and permanent supply of air for the gas appliance (as specified by the manufacturer) for proper combustion;
- (c) there is in place a flue, pipework or proper means of removal of products of combustion from the gas appliance;
- (d) the room or the internal space in which the gas appliance is to be used has adequate ventilation (as specified by the manufacturer);
- (e) there is a means of shutting off the supply of gas to such gas appliance; and

(f) the gas appliance is easily accessible for operation, inspection and maintenance.

(2) In the case of any gas appliance used by a direct access customer, no person shall carry out any installation, repair, alteration or replacement of any gas appliance unless —

(a) he is a professional engineer; or

(b) he carries out the work under the supervision of a professional engineer.

(3) Any person who contravenes paragraph (1) or (2) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

### **Testing of gas appliances**

**20.**—(1) Any person who carries out any installation, maintenance or repair of a gas appliance at a time when gas is being supplied to the premises in which the gas appliance is installed shall, immediately after completion of such installation, maintenance or repair, test the gas appliance and its connection to the gas installation to check that —

(a) the gas appliance is safe to be used;

(b) the connection of the gas appliance to the gas installation is gas-tight; and

(c) the work is in compliance with these Regulations.

(2) If, on completion of the tests referred to in paragraph (1), it is found that the gas appliance is safe to be used, the person performing the tests shall issue a written statement certifying the gas appliance is safe for use.

(3) No person shall use any gas appliance that has not been certified safe for use.

(4) Any person who contravenes paragraph (1), (2) or (3) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

### **Marking of pipe for identification**

**21.**—(1) Any person who installs any pipe being a part of a gas installation in a part of any premises not used for dwelling purposes shall permanently mark the pipe as prescribed by Singapore Standard CP 51 so that the pipe is readily identifiable upon inspection as a pipe for conveying or supplying gas.

(2) The responsible person for the premises in which any such pipe is situated shall ensure that the pipe continues to be so identifiable so long as it is installed for use for conveying gas.

(3) Any person who contravenes paragraph (1) or (2) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

## PART V

### METERS

#### **Compliance with gas metering code**

**22.**—(1) Any person who owns any meter installation shall be responsible for the installation and maintenance of the meter installation in accordance with the gas metering code.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the Authority may grant a permit to the owner of any existing meter installation which has been installed prior to the gas metering code coming into force to retain the said meter installation with such conditions as the Authority considers necessary.

## PART VI

### LICENSING OF GAS SERVICE WORKERS

#### **Application of this Part**

**23.** The provisions of this Part shall apply to every licensed gas service worker who carries out or is engaged in or who is employed to carry out or engaged in any gas service work.

#### **Qualifications required for grant of licences**

**24.** The Authority may grant a gas service worker licence to any person who has satisfied the Authority that —

- (a) he has a thorough knowledge of the Act and these Regulations;
- (b) he has successfully completed an appropriate course in gas service work approved by the Authority; and
- (c) he has —
  - (i) a Builder Certificate in Plumbing/Pipe Fitting (Practical and Theory) issued by the Building and Construction Authority; or
  - (ii) such other certificate, which in the opinion of the Authority, is of an equivalent standard, and in addition thereto, 2 years' relevant experience acceptable to the Authority.

#### **Authority conferred by licence**

**25.**—(1) A gas service worker licence shall, subject to paragraphs (2) and (3) and any condition imposed by the Authority from time to time, entitle the holder thereof to carry out any gas service work.

(2) A licensed gas service worker may design and submit plans to a gas licensee for any gas installation stipulated in the gas supply code as not requiring endorsement of a professional engineer.

(3) Where any gas service work is carried out in a gas installation or gas fitting designed by a professional engineer, such gas service work shall only be performed under the supervision of the professional engineer.

### **Register of licensed gas service workers**

**26.**—(1) The Authority shall maintain a register of licensed gas service workers.

(2) The following particulars of every licensed gas service worker shall be entered in the Register:

- (a) his full name and address as set out in his application form for the grant of any gas service worker licence to him;
- (b) the date of the grant and expiry of any gas service worker licence to him;
- (c) the number of the gas service worker licence granted to him;
- (d) the qualifications that entitle him to hold the gas service worker licence;
- (e) any cancellation or suspension of or refusal to renew any licence granted to him; and
- (f) such other particulars as the Authority thinks fit.

(3) The Authority shall upon an application by any person and upon payment of the fee prescribed in the Schedule furnish to him such information from the Register as to whether any person is a licensed gas service worker.

### **Responsibility of licensed gas service workers**

**27.**—(1) A licensed gas service worker shall not, in relation to any gas service work which he supervises or carries out or engages in, do or omit to do anything in contravention of the Act or any regulations made thereunder.

(2) Any gas service worker who contravenes paragraph (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

### **Responsibility of holder of licence for notices, etc., to be given**

**28.** A licensed gas service worker shall give or cause to be given all notices and obtain or cause to be obtained all consents that may be required by any applicable law in respect of any gas service work carried out by him or in which he is engaged.

### **Duration of gas service worker licence**

**29.** Subject to regulation 34, every gas service worker licence granted under these Regulations shall be valid for the period stated in the gas service worker licence and may, on its expiry, be renewed for such further periods as the Authority may determine.

### **Application for gas service worker licence**

**30.**—(1) An application for the grant or renewal of a gas service worker licence shall be made to the Authority in such form as may be determined by the Authority.

(2) Every application for a gas service worker licence shall be accompanied by such testimonials or other evidence of experience, character and competency as the Authority may either generally or in any particular case require.

(3) An application for the renewal of a licence shall be submitted to the Authority not later than one month prior to the date of expiry of the licence.

(4) The Authority may, in its discretion, refuse to grant a gas service worker licence to or renew the gas service worker licence of any person whose application is incomplete, or whose licence has expired or has been cancelled.

### **Fee for gas service worker licence**

**31.** Every application for a gas service worker licence or a renewal of a gas service worker licence shall be accompanied by the appropriate fee prescribed in the Schedule.

### **Form and contents of gas service worker licence**

**32.**—(1) A gas service worker licence granted under these Regulations and a renewal of a gas service worker licence shall be in such form as may be determined by the Authority.

(2) Every gas service worker licence granted under these Regulations may contain such licence conditions as may be imposed by the Authority.

### **Replacement gas service worker licence**

**33.** If the Authority is satisfied that any gas service worker licence granted by it under this Part has been lost, destroyed or defaced, the Authority may, upon payment of the appropriate fee prescribed in the Schedule, grant a replacement gas service worker licence.

### **Suspension or cancellation of gas service worker licence**

**34.**—(1) In addition to any penalty which may be imposed under these Regulations, or otherwise, the Authority may, in its discretion, suspend or cancel a gas service worker licence if a person granted with a gas service worker licence under this Part —

- (a) has obtained the gas service worker licence by making or causing to be made any false or fraudulent declaration, certification or representation, either in writing or otherwise;
- (b) has, in the opinion of the Authority, contravened or failed to comply with any of the provisions of these Regulations or any of the conditions of the gas service worker licence granted to him;

- (c) has been convicted of an offence under the Act or any regulations made thereunder, or of any other offence which is of such a nature that, in the opinion of the Authority, it is undesirable that he should continue to hold the gas service worker licence;
- (d) is, in the opinion of the Authority, incapable of carrying out gas service work of the type for which the gas service worker licence was granted;
- (e) having been given notice under regulation 39(1) to attend at a specified time and place to be so tested for competence has failed to attend to be tested or to pass any test or examination set or approved by the Authority;
- (f) having been given notice under regulation 39(2) to attend a course has failed to attend or to successfully complete such course;
- (g) is for some other reason not fit to be licensed or continue to be licensed as a gas service worker; or
- (h) has, in the performance of any gas service work, failed to comply with the guidelines issued by the Authority or any other public or statutory authority.

(2) No compensation shall be paid by the Authority to the person whose gas service worker licence is cancelled or suspended and no fee or part of the fee shall be refunded by the Authority to that person in respect of the unexpired period of such licence.

#### **Notification of suspension or cancellation of gas service worker licence**

**35.**—(1) Every notification of a suspension or cancellation of a gas service worker licence shall be given to the holder of the gas service worker licence by a letter signed by an authorised officer.

(2) The holder of the gas service worker licence shall cease to be a licensed gas service worker from the date of the suspension or cancellation of the gas service worker licence as stated in the letter.

#### **Return of suspended or cancelled gas service worker licence**

**36.** Upon the suspension or cancellation of a gas service worker licence under regulation 34, the person who has in his possession the gas service worker licence or a replacement gas service worker licence shall deliver the gas service worker licence or replacement gas service worker licence to the Authority within such time as may be specified by the Authority in its notice served upon him.

#### **Reduction of period of suspension, etc.**

**37.** The Authority may —

- (a) at any time, and for such reason as it thinks sufficient, reduce the period for which a gas service worker licence has been suspended; or
- (b) on payment of the appropriate fee prescribed in the Schedule, grant a gas service worker licence to a person whose previous licence has been cancelled, if such person makes an application and is eligible therefor under these Regulations.

#### **Licensed gas service worker to notify Authority of change of address**

**38.** Every licensed gas service worker who changes his address shall immediately notify the Authority in writing of his new address.

#### **Examinations and courses**

**39.—(1)** The Authority may, for the purpose of ensuring that any licensed gas service worker is able to carry out gas service work competently, by notice in writing require him to attend at a time and place specified in the notice to take and successfully complete such tests or examination as may be set or approved by the Authority.

(2) The Authority may, from time to time, by notice in writing require a licensed gas service worker to attend such course which in the opinion of the Authority is necessary to enable him to carry out gas service work competently.

#### **Production of licence and giving of information to authorised officer**

**40.—(1)** An authorised officer may require any person who is carrying out, or who reasonably appears to the authorised officer to be engaged in or to have been engaged in carrying out, any gas service work to do all or any of the following acts and things, and such person shall do the acts or things so required at such time and place as the authorised officer may require:

- (a) produce for the inspection of the authorised officer any gas service worker licence held by him under these Regulations;
- (b) inform the authorised officer whether or not he holds a gas service worker licence granted under these Regulations;
- (c) inform the authorised officer whether or not he has carried out or engaged in, or is carrying out or engaging in, gas service work; and
- (d) attend at such office of the Authority as the authorised officer may specify and, on so attending, give any information or evidence which the Authority may require of him for any purpose of these Regulations or produce to the Authority for inspection and verification any gas service worker licence which he has informed the authorised officer that he holds but which he did not produce to the authorised officer on a demand being made therefor.

(2) The Authority may, from time to time, depute any officer of a gas licensee to exercise the powers referred to in paragraph (1) on behalf of the

Authority subject to such conditions, exceptions and qualifications as the Authority may determine.

### Penalties

41. A licensed gas service worker who —

- (a) contravenes regulation 36 or 38; or
- (b) fails to comply with the requirements of the authorised officer made under regulation 40(1),

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

### Revocation and transitional provisions

42.—(1) The Public Utilities (Gas Supply) Regulations (Cap. 261, Rg 13) are revoked.

(2) Any gas service worker licence granted under the revoked Public Utilities (Gas Supply) Regulations shall, subject to the provisions of these Regulations, be deemed to have been granted or given under the corresponding provision of and subject to these Regulations and shall expire or be renewable on the date on which it would have expired or been renewable had these Regulations not been enacted.

### THE SCHEDULE

Regulations 26(3), 31, 33 and 37(b)

#### FEES

1.	Application for a gas service worker licence	\$50
2.	Grant or renewal of a gas service worker licence	\$30
3.	Grant of a replacement gas service worker licence	\$21
4.	Information to be obtained from the Register	\$5.

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