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Building (Minor Works) (Amendment) Regulation 2021

(Made by the Secretary for Development under section 38 of the Buildings Ordinance (Cap. 123))

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on 1 September 2021.

2. Building (Minor Works) Regulation amended

The Building (Minor Works) Regulation (Cap. 123 sub. leg. N) is amended as set out in sections 3 to 6.

3. Section 62 amended (provisions relating to section 39C(1) of Ordinance)

Section 62(3), before "(*appointed person*)"—
 Add

"and subsection (2)".

(2) Section 62(3)(a)(i), after "of the Ordinance"—

Add

"and subsection (2)".

4. Section 62A amended (provisions relating to section 39C(1A) of Ordinance)

(1) Section 62A—

Repeal subsections (1), (2) and (3) Substitute

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- "(1) For the purposes of the definition of *prescribed building or building works* in section 39C(6)(b)(ii) of the Ordinance (which relates to section 39C(1A) of the Ordinance (*relevant provision*)), if any building or building works are of a type specified in Part 3 or 4 of Schedule 3, the building or building works are prescribed building or building works to which the relevant provision applies (*relevant construction*).
 - (2) The date prescribed for the purposes of section 39C(1A)(a) of the Ordinance is—
 - (a) for any relevant construction that is of a type specified in Part 3 of Schedule 3—2 September 2013; and
 - (b) for any relevant construction that is of a type specified in Part 4 of Schedule 3—1 September 2020.
 - (3) For the purposes of section 39C(2) of the Ordinance—
 - (a) for a relevant construction falling within the description of an item of minor works under class I—
 - (i) if the construction is a specified construction, an authorized person is to be appointed to inspect the construction; and
 - (ii) if the construction is not a specified construction, an authorized person and a registered structural engineer are to be appointed to inspect the construction; and

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- (b) for a relevant construction falling within the description of an item of minor works under class II or class III—one of the following persons is to be appointed to inspect the construction—
 - (i) an authorized person;
 - (ii) a registered structural engineer;
 - (iii) a registered inspector;
 - (iv) a registered general building contractor;
 - (v) a registered minor works contractor who is registered for the item;
 - (vi) a registered minor works contractor who is registered for the type of minor works under the class that are the minor works described in the item.".
- (2) Section 62A(4), before "(*appointed person*)"— Add

"and subsection (3)".

(3) Section 62A(4)(a)(i)—

Repeal

"that contains the personal particulars and contact information of the person for whom the signboard"

Substitute

"(if the relevant construction is a signboard) that contains the personal particulars and contact information of the person for whom the construction".

(4) Section 62A(4)(a)(ii), after "of the Ordinance"—

Add

"and subsection (3)".

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(5) Section 62A(4)(a)(iii) and (iv) and (b)—

Repeal

"signboard"

Substitute

"relevant construction".

(6) Section 62A(5)—

Repeal

everything after "Ordinance,"

Substitute

"if the relevant construction is a signboard and the requirements in section 39C(2), (3) and (4) of the Ordinance have been complied with in relation to it, the requirements must, within 5 years after the date of the compliance, be complied with in relation to the construction again.".

5. Schedule 2 amended (designated exempted works)

Schedule 2—

Repeal

"Sch. 1]"

Substitute

"Schs. 1 & 3]".

6. Schedule 3 amended (prescribed building or building works)

(1) Schedule 3, Part 1—

Repeal

"In this Schedule, *unauthorized* (違例), when used to describe any structure, means the structure is erected in contravention of any provision of the Ordinance."

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Substitute

- "1. In this Schedule
 - *building services installation* (屋宇裝備裝置) has the meaning given by section 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 1;
 - *inaccessible roof* (非開放屋頂) has the meaning given by section 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 1;
 - *non-private garden* (非私人花園) has the meaning given by section 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 1;
 - *private garden* (私人花園) has the meaning given by section 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 1;
 - projecting signboard (伸出式招牌) has the meaning given by section 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 1;
 - *total length of additional wall* (新建牆壁總長度), in relation to a structure on a roof, means the difference between—
 - (a) the total length of the non-load bearing walls (excluding the width of any door openings on the walls) on the roof (*roof wall length*) as shown on the approved plan; and
 - (b) the roof wall length as measured when the structure is inspected;
 - trellis (花棚) has the meaning given by section 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 1;
 - *unauthorized* (違例), when used to describe any structure, means the structure is erected in contravention of any provision of the Ordinance;
 - wall signboard (靠牆招牌) has the meaning given by section 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 1.".

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- (2) Schedule 3, Part 3, heading, after "Ordinance"—
 Add
 "—Batch 1".
- (3) Schedule 3, after Part 3— Add

"Part 4

List of Prescribed Building or Building Works Relating to Section 39C(1A) of Ordinance— Batch 2

Item

- 1. An unauthorized supporting structure for a building services installation (*supporting structure*), or an unauthorized metal casing for such an installation (*casing*), on-grade, on a canopy (other than a cantilevered slab) or on a roof (other than a cantilevered slab) of a building, but only if—
 - (a) for a supporting structure—the structure—
 - (i) falls within the description of paragraph
 (b) of item 1.50 of Part 3 of Schedule 1
 (*item 1.50*); and
 - (ii) does not fall within the description of item 2; and

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- (b) for a casing—the casing—
 - (i) falls within the description of paragraph(c) of item 1.50; and
 - (ii) does not fall within the description of item 2.
- 2. An unauthorized supporting structure for a building services installation (*supporting structure*), or an unauthorized metal casing for such an installation (*casing*), on-grade or on a roof (other than a cantilevered slab and an inaccessible roof) of a building, but only if—
 - (a) for a supporting structure—the structure falls within the description of paragraph (b) of item 3.50 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; and
 - (b) for a casing—the casing falls within the description of paragraph (c) of that item.
- 3. An unauthorized supporting structure for a radio base station solely for telecommunications services in the form of an equipment cabinet, on a roof of a building, but only if the structure falls within the description of paragraphs (b), (c) and (d) of item 1.14 of Part 3 of Schedule 1.

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4.	An unauthorized supporting frame for an air- conditioning unit projecting from an external wall of a building, but only if—		
	(a) the frame—		
	(i) is designed for an air-conditioning unit of more than 100 kg but not more than 150 kg in weight; and		
	(ii) falls within the description of paragraphs (c) and (d) of item 2.49 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; or		
	(b) the frame—		
	(i) is designed for an air-conditioning unit of not more than 100 kg in weight; and		
	(ii) falls within the description of paragraphs (b) and (c) of item 3.27 of Part 3 of Schedule 1.		

- 5. An unauthorized supporting frame for a light fitting projecting from an external wall of a building, but only if—
 - (a) the frame—
 - (i) is designed for a light fitting of more than 100 kg but not more than 150 kg in weight; and
 - (ii) falls within the description of paragraphs (c) and (d) of item 2.49 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; or

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	(b)	the frame—		
		(i) is designed for a light fitting of not more than 100 kg in weight; and		
		(ii) falls within the description of paragraphs (b) and (c) of item 3.27 of Part 3 of Schedule 1.		
6.	An unau the wall–	thorized solid fence wall on-grade, but only if		
	(a)	falls within the description of paragraph (a) of item 2.6 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; and		
	(b)	is not a wall falling within the description of paragraphs (a) and (b) of item 5 of Part 2 of Schedule 2.		
7.		uthorized solid fence wall on a roof of a but only if—		
	(a)	the wall falls within the description of paragraphs (e), (f) and (g) of item 3.55 of Part 3 of Schedule 1;		
	(b)	the requirement in paragraph (d) of that item is complied with;		
	(c)	the total length of additional wall per m^2 of the roof area is not more than 0.3 m; and		
	(d)	the wall is not a wall falling within the		

(d) the wall is not a wall falling within the description of paragraphs (d) and (g) of item 20 of Part 2 of Schedule 2.

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Item	Description	
8.	An unauthorized external mesh fence or metal railing (with or without a solid fence wall as its lower part (<i>structure</i>) on-grade, but only if the structure—	
	(a) falls within the description of paragraphs (a),(b) and (c) of item 2.7 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; and	
	(b) does not fall within the description of item 16 of Part 2 of Schedule 2.	
9.	An unauthorized mesh fence or metal railing (with or without a solid fence wall as its lower part) (<i>structure</i>) on a roof of a building, but only if—	
	 (a) the structure falls within the description of paragraphs (c) and (e) of item 2.56 of Part 2 of Schedule 1 and— 	
	(i) the requirement in paragraph (d) of that item is complied with;	
	(ii) if the lower part of the structure is a solid fence wall—	
	(A) the wall falls within the description of paragraph (f)(i), (ii) and (iii) of that item; and	
	 (B) the total length of additional wall per m² of the roof area is not more than 0.3 m; and 	
	(iii) the structure is not a structure falling within the description of paragraphs (c)	

(d) and (f) of item 18 of Part 2 of Schedule 2 or paragraph (b); or

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	(b)	para	ıgrap	eture falls within the description of hs (c) and (e) of item 3.56 of Part 3 ule 1 and—
		(i)		requirement in paragraph (d) of that n is complied with;
		(ii)		he lower part of the structure is a d fence wall—
			(A)	the wall falls within the description of paragraph (f)(i), (ii) and (iii) of that item; and
			(B)	the total length of additional wall per m^2 of the roof area is not more than 0.3 m; and
		(iii)	with (d)	structure is not a structure falling hin the description of paragraphs (c), and (f) of item 18 of Part 2 of edule 2.

- 10. An unauthorized mesh fence or metal railing on top of a solid fence wall (other than an unauthorized solid fence wall) (*construction*) on-grade, but only if the construction—
 - (a) falls within the description of paragraphs (a) and (b) of item 1.59 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; and
 - (b) is not a construction falling within the description of paragraphs (b) and (c) of item 21 of Part 2 of Schedule 2 or item 11.

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- 11. An unauthorized mesh fence or metal railing on top of a solid fence wall (other than an unauthorized solid fence wall and a solid fence wall falling within the description of item 5 of Part 2 of Schedule 2 that was erected, altered or repaired without the approval and consent of the Building Authority under section 14(1) of the Ordinance) (*construction*) on-grade, but only if the construction—
 - (a) falls within the description of paragraphs (a),(b) and (c) of item 2.57 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; and
 - (b) does not fall within the description of paragraph (b) of item 21 of Part 2 of Schedule 2.
- 12. An unauthorized external pole on-grade, but only if—
 - (a) the pole falls within the description of paragraphs (a) and (b) of item 2.53 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; and
 - (b) either of the following—
 - (i) the height of the pole, including any feature at its top, is more than 3 m;
 - (ii) the weight of the pole, including any feature at its top but excluding any pedestal, is more than 100 kg.

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13.	An unaut if—	horized pole on a roof of a building, but only
	(a)	the height of the pole, including any feature at its top, is more than 1.5 m but not more than 2.5 m and—
		(i) the pole falls within the description of paragraph (d) of item 2.54 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; and
		(ii) the requirements in paragraphs (e) and (f) of that item are complied with; or
	(b)	the height of the pole, including any feature at its top, is not more than 1.5 m and—
		(i) the pole falls within the description of paragraph (d) of item 3.54 of Part 3 of Schedule 1;
		(ii) the requirements in paragraphs (e) and (f) of that item are complied with; and
		(iii) the pole is not a pole falling within the description of paragraphs (c) and (d) of item 19 of Part 2 of Schedule 2.

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14.	An unau if—	thorized metal gate at a fence wall, but only
	(a)	the gate falls within the description of paragraphs (c) and (d) of item 1.16 of Part 3 of Schedule 1;
	(b)	the gate falls within the description of paragraphs (c), (d) and (e) of item 2.16 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; or
	(c)	the gate—
		(i) falls within the description of paragraphs (c) and (d) of item 3.13 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; and
		(ii) is not a metal gate falling within the description of paragraphs (c), (d) and (e) of item 8 of Part 2 of Schedule 2.
15.	wall of a	thorized canopy projecting from an external building over an entrance to the building, but he canopy—
	(a)	falls within the description of paragraphs (b) and (c) of item 1.27 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; and

(b) is not a canopy falling within the description of paragraphs (c), (d) and (e) of item 14 of Part 2 of Schedule 2 or item 16.

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16.		athorized canopy projecting from an external building, but only if—
	(a)	the canopy falls within the description of paragraphs (c) and (d) of item 3.25 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; and
	(b)	no part of the canopy projects more than 500 mm from the wall.
17.	7. An unauthorized retractable awning for an an external wall of a building, but only if—	
	(a)	the opening falls within the description of paragraph (b) of item 2.43 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; and
	(b)	the awning falls within the description of paragraphs (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) of that item.
18.	An unau if—	thorized trellis in a garden on-grade, but only
	(a)	the trellis falls within the description of paragraphs (a) and (b)(i) and (ii) of item 2.44 of Part 3 of Schedule 1;
	(b)	if the trellis is located in a private garden— the aggregate of the area covered by each

- trellis located in the garden is— (i) not more than 20 m²; and
- (ii) not more than 5% of the total area of the garden; and

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- (c) if the trellis is located in a non-private garden—the requirements in paragraph (b)(iv)(A) and (B) of that item are complied with.
- 19. An unauthorized trellis on a roof of a building, but only if—
 - (a) the trellis falls within the description of paragraphs (c), (d) and (e) of item 1.45 of Part 3 of Schedule 1 and—
 - (i) if the trellis is located in a common part of the building—the requirements in paragraph (f)(i) and (ii) of that item are complied with;
 - (ii) if the trellis is located in a part that is not a common part of the building (*non-common part*)—the aggregate of the area covered by each trellis located in the non-common part is—
 - (A) not more than 20 m^2 ; and
 - (B) not more than 5% of the total area of that part; and
 - (iii) the trellis does not fall within the description of paragraph (b); or

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	pa	e trellis falls within the description of ragraphs (c) and (d)(i) and (ii) of item 2.45 Part 3 of Schedule 1 and—
	(i)	if the trellis is located in a common part of the building—the requirements in paragraph (d)(iii)(A) and (B) of that item are complied with; and
	(ii)	if the trellis is located in a part that is not a common part of the building—the requirements in paragraph (d)(iv)(A) and (B) of that item are complied with.
20.	unauthorized external met	rized external metal ventilation duct, or an d supporting frame associated with an al ventilation duct, on-grade or on a roof g, but only if—
	(a) the	e duct or frame—
	(i)	falls within the description of paragraph (b) of item 2.47 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; and
	(ii)	does not fall within the description of paragraph (b) of item 3.47 of Part 3 of Schedule 1 (<i>item 3.47</i>); or
	(b) the	e duct or frame—
	(i)	falls within the description of paragraph (b) of item 3.47; and
	(ii)	is not a duct or frame falling within the description of paragraphs (b) and (c) of item 22 of Part 2 of Schedule 2.

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21. An unauthorized external metal ventilation duct, or an unauthorized supporting frame associated with an external metal ventilation duct, but only if the duct or frame falls within the description of paragraph (a), (b) or (c) of item 3.48 of Part 3 of Schedule 1.".

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Explanatory Note

Part 9 of and Schedule 3 to the Building (Minor Works) Regulation (Cap. 123 sub. leg. N) (*principal Regulation*) deal with matters relating to the Minor Works Validation Scheme.

2. The main purpose of this Regulation is to amend the principal Regulation to specify more building or building works to be covered by the Scheme.