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### ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1987

#### ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH (GENERAL CLEANING INDUSTRY) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2022

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 111 of the Environmental Public Health Act 1987, the National Environment Agency, with the approval of the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment, makes the following Regulations:

#### **Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations are the Environmental Public Health (General Cleaning Industry) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 and come into operation on 31 December 2022.

#### **Amendment of regulation 3**

2. In regulation 3(1) and (2) of the Environmental Public Health (General Cleaning Industry) Regulations 2014 (G.N. No. S 240/2014) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations), replace “the Schedule” with “the First Schedule”.

#### **Replacement of regulation 6**

3. In the principal Regulations, replace regulation 6 with —

##### **“Applicant to have trained cleaners**

6.—(1) For the purposes of section 80G(4)(d) of the Act, an applicant for a cleaning business licence who has more than one cleaner in the applicant’s employ as at the date of its application for the grant or renewal of a cleaning business licence must satisfy the Director-General that every cleaner in the applicant’s employ (but not including a cleaner who, as at the date of the application, is in the applicant’s employ for less than 3 months) has attended —

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- (a) where the cleaner is a general cleaner, healthcare cleaner, indoor cleaner, outdoor cleaner, restroom cleaner, table-top cleaner, dishwasher or refuse collection cleaner —
- (i) at least one of the training modules that are under the Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) System and specified in Division 1 of Part 1 of the Second Schedule; and
  - (ii) at least one of the training modules that are under the Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) System and specified in Division 2 of Part 1 of the Second Schedule;
- (b) where the cleaner is a multi-skilled cleaner cum machine operator —
- (i) at least one of the training modules that are under the Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) System and specified in Division 1 of Part 2 of the Second Schedule; and
  - (ii) at least one of the training modules that are under the Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) System and specified in Division 2 of Part 2 of the Second Schedule;
- (c) where the cleaner is also a mechanical driver —
- (i) at least one of the training modules that are under the Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) System and specified in Division 1 of Part 3 of the Second Schedule; and
  - (ii) at least one of the training modules that are under the Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) System and specified in Division 2 of Part 3 of the Second Schedule;

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- (d) where the cleaner is also a truck driver, either one of the following:
- (i) at least one of the training modules that are under the Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) System and specified in Division 1 of Part 3 of the Second Schedule;
  - (ii) at least one of the training modules that are under the Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) System and specified in Division 2 of Part 3 of the Second Schedule; or
- (e) where the cleaner is a supervisor —
- (i) at least one of the training modules that are under the Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) System and specified in Division 1 of Part 4 of the Second Schedule; and
  - (ii) at least one of the training modules that are under the Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) System and specified in Division 2 of Part 4 of the Second Schedule.

(2) For the purposes of section 80G(4)(d) of the Act, an applicant for a cleaning business licence who has only one cleaner in the applicant's employ as at the date of its application for the grant or renewal of a cleaning business licence, being one who is in the applicant's employ for 3 or more months as at that date, must satisfy the Director-General that that cleaner has attended the training specified in paragraph (1)(a), (b), (c), (d) or (e), as the case may be.

(3) In this regulation —

“class 4 driving licence” means a licence that is granted or renewed under section 35(6) or (6A) of the Road Traffic Act 1961 that authorises the holder of the licence to drive a class 4 vehicle mentioned in rule 19(f) of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) Rules (R 27);

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“class 5 driving licence” means a licence that is granted or renewed under section 35(6) or (6A) of the Road Traffic Act 1961 that authorises the holder of the licence to drive a class 5 vehicle mentioned in rule 19(*h*) of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) Rules;

“dishwasher” means a cleaner who —

- (a) cleans any bowl, plate, tray or eating utensil; or
- (b) does any work that is ancillary to the cleaning of any bowl, plate, tray or eating utensil;

“eating establishment” means any restaurant, hawker centre, coffeeshop or other similar premises where individuals may consume food or drinks or both, but excludes an outlet for takeaways only;

“general cleaner” means a cleaner who carries out any general cleaning or housekeeping work that includes the sweeping or cleaning of any floor, vacuuming of any carpet and cleaning of any window;

“healthcare cleaner” means a cleaner who carries out any general cleaning or housekeeping work in a healthcare institution;

“indoor cleaner” means a cleaner who carries out cleaning work mainly in a sheltered environment;

“mechanical driver” means an individual who operates a mechanical motorised vehicle for the purpose of cleaning any road or pavement, where the unladen weight of the mechanical motorised vehicle is 2,500 kilograms or less;

“multi-skilled cleaner cum machine operator” means a cleaner who is skilled in the use of one or more of the following to carry out cleaning work:

- (a) at least one type of motorised ride-on cleaning machine;

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- (b) at least one type of lifting equipment that is used for elevating one or more cleaners for the purpose of carrying out cleaning work;
  - (c) at least one type of specialised cleaning agent;
  - (d) at least 3 types of handheld cleaning machines;
- “outdoor cleaner” means a cleaner who carries out cleaning work in an unsheltered environment;
- “refuse collection cleaner” means a cleaner who collects refuse or waste at one or more refuse or waste collection points;
- “restroom cleaner” means a cleaner who cleans any restroom;
- “supervisor” means an individual who —
- (a) decides on the deployment of one or more cleaners to carry out any cleaning work for a cleaning contract; and
  - (b) supervises one or more cleaners in the carrying out of any cleaning work;
- “table-top cleaner” means a cleaner who carries out any of the following cleaning work at an eating establishment:
- (a) collection of any bowl, plate, tray or eating utensil from any table or tray-return station;
  - (b) clearing of food remains from any bowl, plate or tray at any table or tray-return station;
  - (c) cleaning of any table or tray-return station;
- “tray-return station” means a designated area at an eating establishment where any bowl, plate, tray or eating utensil may be returned;

“truck driver” means an individual who possesses a class 4 driving licence or class 5 driving licence and operates a mechanical motorised vehicle for the purpose of cleaning any road or pavement, where the unladen weight of the mechanical motorised vehicle is more than 2,500 kilograms.”.

### Renaming of Schedule

4. In the principal Regulations, rename the Schedule as the First Schedule.

### New Second Schedule

5. In the principal Regulations, after the First Schedule, insert —

#### “SECOND SCHEDULE

Regulation 6(1)

#### PART 1

TRAINING FOR GENERAL CLEANER, HEALTHCARE CLEANER,  
INDOOR CLEANER, OUTDOOR CLEANER, RESTROOM CLEANER,  
TABLE-TOP CLEANER, DISHWASHER OR REFUSE  
COLLECTION CLEANER

#### *Division 1*

<i>Technical skills and competency title</i>	<i>Competency code</i>
1. Workplace safety and health practices implementation	EVS-WSH-1006-1.1
2. Emergency response management	EVS-WSH-2001-1.1
3. Incident and accident investigation	EVS-WSH-2002-1.1
4. Workplace safety and health culture development	EVS-WSH-2003-1.1
5. Workplace safety and health practices implementation	EVS-WSH-3006-1.1

*Division 2*

<i>Technical skills and competency title</i>	<i>Competency code</i>
1. Customer management	EVS-CFC-1005-1.1
2. Food shop hygiene maintenance	EVS-CGO-1002-1.1
3. Furniture and furnishing maintenance	EVS-CGO-1003-1.1
4. Horizontal surface maintenance	EVS-CGO-1004-1.1
5. Public hygiene maintenance	EVS-CGO-1005-1.1
6. Vertical surface maintenance	EVS-CGO-1006-1.1
7. Washroom maintenance	EVS-CGO-1007-1.1
8. Cleaning chemical handling	EVS-CGO-2001-1.1
9. Furniture and furnishing maintenance	EVS-CGO-2003-1.1
10. Horizontal surface maintenance	EVS-CGO-2004-1.1
11. Washroom maintenance	EVS-CGO-2007-1.1
12. Cleaning chemical handling	EVS-CGO-3001-1.1
13. Learning and development	EVS-PDV-2003-1.1
14. Robotics and automation application	EVS-TEM-2004-1.1

## PART 2

TRAINING FOR MULTI-SKILLED CLEANER  
CUM MACHINE OPERATOR*Division 1*

<i>Technical skills and competency title</i>	<i>Competency code</i>
1. Emergency response management	EVS-WSH-2001-1.1
2. Incident and accident investigation	EVS-WSH-2002-1.1
3. Workplace safety and health culture development	EVS-WSH-2003-1.1
4. Workplace safety and health practices implementation	EVS-WSH-3006-1.1

*Division 2*

<i>Technical skills and competency title</i>	<i>Competency code</i>
1. Cleaning chemical handling	EVS-CGO-2001-1.1
2. Furniture and furnishing maintenance	EVS-CGO-2003-1.1
3. Horizontal surface maintenance	EVS-CGO-2004-1.1
4. Washroom maintenance	EVS-CGO-2007-1.1
5. Cleaning chemical handling	EVS-CGO-3001-1.1
6. Effectiveness management	EVS-PDV-3002-1.1
7. Robotics and automation application	EVS-TEM-2004-1.1

## PART 3

TRAINING FOR MECHANICAL DRIVER  
OR TRUCK DRIVER*Division 1*

<i>Technical skills and competency title</i>	<i>Competency code</i>
1. Emergency response management	EVS-WSH-2001-1.1
2. Incident and accident investigation	EVS-WSH-2002-1.1
3. Workplace safety and health culture development	EVS-WSH-2003-1.1
4. Workplace safety and health practices implementation	EVS-WSH-3006-1.1

*Division 2*

<i>Technical skills and competency title</i>	<i>Competency code</i>
1. Public hygiene maintenance	EVS-CGO-2005-1.1
2. Robotics and automation application	EVS-TEM-2004-1.1
3. Waste collection management	EVS-WMO-2002-1.1

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PART 4  
TRAINING FOR SUPERVISOR

*Division 1*

<i>Technical skills and competency title</i>	<i>Competency code</i>
1. Workplace safety and health performance management	EVS-WSH-2004-1.1
2. Emergency response management	EVS-WSH-3001-1.1
3. Incident and accident investigation	EVS-WSH-3002-1.1
4. Workplace safety and health culture development	EVS-WSH-3003-1.1
5. Workplace safety and health practices implementation	EVS-WSH-3006-1.1
6. Workplace safety and health system management	EVS-WSH-3007-1.1
7. Workplace safety and health control measures	WPH-WSH-4075-1.1
8. WSQ advanced certificate in workplace safety and health	—
9. bizSAFE level 2 risk management	—

*Division 2*

<i>Technical skills and competency title</i>	<i>Competency code</i>
1. Customer management	EVS-CFC-3005-1.1
2. Customer management	EVS-CFC-3007-1.1
3. Cleaning chemical handling	EVS-CGO-3001-1.1
4. Equipment and inventory management	EVS-EQM-3001-1.1
5. Effectiveness management	EVS-PDV-3002-1.1

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