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**WORKPLACE SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT  
(CHAPTER 354A)**

**WORKPLACE SAFETY AND HEALTH  
(WORK AT HEIGHTS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2014**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 65 of the Workplace Safety and Health Act, Mr Tan Chuan-Jin, Senior Minister of State, charged with the responsibility of the Minister for Manpower, hereby makes the following Regulations:

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Workplace Safety and Health (Work at Heights) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 and shall come into operation on 1st May 2014.

**Amendment of regulation 2**

2. Regulation 2 of the Workplace Safety and Health (Work at Heights) Regulations 2013 (G.N. No. S 223/2013) (referred to in these Regulations as the principal Regulations) is amended by deleting the words “building or structure” in the definition of “industrial rope access system” and substituting the words “building, structure or tree”.

**Amendment of regulation 3**

3. Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the word “Regulations” in paragraph (1), the words “(except Part III)”;
- (b) by inserting, immediately after the word “Regulations” in paragraph (2), the words “(except Part III)”;
- (c) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (2), the following paragraph:

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“(3) Part III shall apply only to hazardous work at height carried out at a factory on or after 1st May 2014.”.

#### **Amendment of regulation 9**

4. Regulation 9(1) of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “to any workplace in which any scaffold is,” and substituting the words “in relation to any scaffold in a workplace which is,”.

#### **Amendment of regulation 18**

5. Regulation 18(5) of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “building or structure” and substituting the words “building, structure or tree”.

#### **Deletion of regulation 19**

6. Regulation 19 of the principal Regulations is deleted.

#### **Amendment of regulation 20**

7. Regulation 20 of the principal Regulations is amended —

(a) by deleting paragraphs (1) and (2) and substituting the following paragraphs:

“(1) Before the carrying out of any hazardous work at height at a factory, it shall be the duty of the occupier of the factory to —

(a) appoint a competent person for the hazardous work at height at the factory to carry out the duties of an authorised manager in accordance with this Part; and

(b) appoint a competent person for the hazardous work at height at the factory to carry out the duties of a work-at-height safety assessor in accordance with this Part.

(2) Before and during the carrying out of any hazardous work at height at a factory, it shall be the duty of the occupier of the factory to ensure that a

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permit-to-work system in accordance with this Part is implemented for that hazardous work at height.”; and

- (b) by deleting the words “paragraph (2)(c)” in paragraph (3) and substituting the words “paragraph (2)”.

### **Amendment of regulation 31**

8. Regulation 31 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting “20(1),” and substituting the words “20(1) or (2),”.

### **Amendment of Schedule**

9. The Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the Schedule reference and substituting the following Schedule reference:

“Regulation 5(1), (3) and (4)”.

### **Miscellaneous amendments**

10. The principal Regulations are amended —

- (a) by deleting the word “workplace” wherever it appears in the following regulations and substituting in each case the word “factory”:

Regulations 21(1), 23(1)(b) and (2), 24(1), 25, 26(1) and (2), 27(2) and 28(1) and (2);

- (b) by deleting the words “, on or after 1st May 2014,” in regulation 21(1);
- (c) by deleting the words “on or after 1st May 2014” in regulations 24(1), 25, 26(1) and 27(1);
- (d) by deleting the words “a workplace” in regulation 27(1) and substituting the words “a factory”; and
- (e) by deleting the words “that workplace” in regulation 27(1) and substituting the words “that factory”.

Made this 7th day of April 2014.

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