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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND
MANAGEMENT ACT
(CHAPTER 94A)

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND MANAGEMENT
(CONTROL OF NOISE AT CONSTRUCTION SITES)
(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2011

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 77 of the Environmental Protection and Management Act, the National Environment Agency, with the approval of the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Environmental Protection and Management (Control of Noise at Construction Sites) (Amendment) Regulations 2011 and shall come into operation on 1st September 2011.

Deletion and substitution of regulation 2

2. Regulation 2 of the Environmental Protection and Management (Control of Noise at Construction Sites) Regulations (Rg 2) (referred to in these Regulations as the principal Regulations) is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

“Definitions

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

“construction site” means any premises on or in which works of the following description are being carried out:

- (a) the erection, construction, alteration, repair or maintenance of buildings, structures or roads;
- (b) the breaking up, opening or boring under any road or adjacent land in connection with the construction, inspection, maintenance or removal of works;

- (c) piling, demolition or dredging works; or
- (d) any other work of engineering construction;

“construction work” means works of any description listed in the definition of “construction site” and any other related works, including the loading or unloading of materials from cranes or vehicles for the purposes of such works;

“public holiday” has the same meaning as in the Holidays Act (Cap. 126);

“residential building” includes any building which is used solely or partly as a hostel, hotel, serviced apartment, residence or private dwelling.”.

Amendment of regulation 3

3. Regulation 3(6) of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “section 7 of”.

New regulation 4A

4. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 4, the following regulation:

“Prohibition of construction work at certain sites during certain periods

4A.—(1) The owner or occupier of any construction site located less than 150 metres from any hospital, home for the aged sick or residential building shall ensure that no construction work is carried out at his construction site on the days and during the times specified in the Fourth Schedule.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the Director-General may, if he is satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest or for justifiable technical reason to do so in any particular case, permit in writing any construction work to be carried out during a prohibited period specified in the Fourth Schedule.

(3) A permit granted under paragraph (2) shall specify the period during which the construction work may be carried out and shall require the owner or occupier of the construction site to comply with such other terms and conditions as the Director-General may think fit to impose.

(4) For the avoidance of doubt, regulation 3 applies to any construction work permitted to be carried out pursuant to a permit granted under paragraph (2).”.

Amendment of regulation 5

5. Regulation 5 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “any notice issued by the Director-General under regulation 3(2) or 4” and substituting the words “4A(1), or any notice issued by the Director-General under regulation 3(2) or 4, or any term or condition of a permit granted under regulation 4A(2),”.

New Fourth Schedule

6. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after the Third Schedule, the following Schedule:

“FOURTH SCHEDULE

Regulation 4A(1) and (2)

PROHIBITED PERIODS FOR CONSTRUCTION WORK
COMMENCED ON OR AFTER 1ST SEPTEMBER 2011

1. From 10 p.m. every Saturday to 7 a.m. on the following Monday.
2. From 10 p.m. on the eve of a public holiday to 7 a.m. on the day following the public holiday.”.

Made this 23rd day of August 2011.

CHEW GEK KHIM
Chairman,
National Environment Agency,
Singapore.

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(To be presented to Parliament under section 77(3) of the Environmental Protection and Management Act).