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RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEMS ACT (CHAPTER 263A)

RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEMS (RAILWAY PROTECTION, RESTRICTED ACTIVITIES) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2021

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 45 of the Rapid Transit Systems Act, the Land Transport Authority of Singapore, with the approval of the Minister for Transport, makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Rapid Transit Systems (Railway Protection, Restricted Activities) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 and come into operation on 27 September 2021.

Amendment of regulation 2

- **2.** Regulation 2 of the Rapid Transit Systems (Railway Protection, Restricted Activities) Regulations (Rg 3) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended by inserting, immediately after the definition of "owner", the following definition:
 - ""railway corridor" means the part of the land or area that is within 40 metres from the outermost edge of any part of a railway area;".

Amendment of regulation 4

- 3. Regulation 4 of the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) by inserting, immediately after the words "railway safety zone" in paragraph (1), the words ", the railway corridor"; and

(b) by inserting, immediately after the words "Railway safety zone" in the regulation heading, the words ", railway corridor and railway protection zone".

Deletion of regulation 5

4. Regulation 5 of the principal Regulations is deleted.

Deletion and substitution of regulation 7

5. Regulation 7 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

"Permission for restricted activity

- 7.—(1) A person must not carry out or cause to be carried out any restricted activity within the railway corridor or railway protection zone unless the person
 - (a) has the Authority's prior written permission to do so; or
 - (b) is granted a permit to carry out the restricted activity, mentioned in regulation 9(1) of the Rapid Transit Systems (Development and Building Works in Railway Corridor and Railway Protection Zone) Regulations 2021 (G.N. No. S 712/2021).
- (2) Without affecting paragraph (1), a person must not carry out or cause to be carried out any restricted activity within 6 metres of the outermost edge of any part of a railway unless the person has the Authority's special written permission to do so.
- (3) An application to the Authority for permission or special permission to carry out a restricted activity required by paragraph (1) or (2) must
 - (a) be made in the form and manner specified by the Authority; and
 - (b) be accompanied by the following:
 - (i) site and location plans showing where the restricted activity is to be carried out in

- relation to the railway corridor or railway protection zone;
- (ii) any other document, particulars or information that the Authority requires to decide on the application.
- (4) A permission or special permission given under paragraph (1) or (2)
 - (a) is non-transferable and not renewable; and
 - (b) may be subject to terms and conditions.
- (5) In granting permission or special permission under paragraph (1) or (2), the Authority may by condition require the person to whom permission or special permission is given to allow any employee of the Authority to enter at any time the land within the railway corridor or the railway protection zone where the restricted activity is being carried out for all or any of the following purposes:
 - (a) to ascertain whether there is, or has been, a contravention of these Regulations;
 - (b) to ensure that the restricted activity is being carried out in accordance with the permission or special permission;
 - (c) to take such action and give such direction as the employee of the Authority considers necessary to ensure compliance with, or to prevent the contravention of, these Regulations.
- (6) A person who carries out or causes to be carried out any restricted activity without, or not in accordance with, any permission or special permission under paragraph (1) or (2) shall be guilty of an offence."

Amendment of regulation 8

- **6.** Regulation 8(1) of the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) by inserting, immediately after the words "railway safety zone", the words ", the railway corridor";

- (b) by deleting the word "or" at the end of sub-paragraph (i); and
- (c) by deleting the full-stop at the end of sub-paragraph (ii) and substituting the word "; or", and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraph:
 - "(iii) to take necessary measures to prevent, stop or remedy any damage to the railway or railway premises.".

Deletion of regulation 10

7. Regulation 10 of the principal Regulations is deleted.

Amendment of Schedule

- **8.** Paragraph 1 of the Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) by deleting the word "and" at the end of sub-paragraph (h); and
 - (b) by deleting the full-stop at the end of sub-paragraph (i) and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraph:
 - "(j) tunnelling for the purpose of laying a sewer pipe, water pipe or other utility line.".

Miscellaneous amendment

9. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after the words "railway safety zone" in the following provisions, the words ", the railway corridor":

Regulations 3, 6(1), and 9(1).

[G.N. Nos. S 280/2000; S 163/2003]

Made on 10 September 2021.

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Land Transport Authority of Singapore.

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