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### FIRE SAFETY ACT 1993

#### FIRE SAFETY (EXEMPTION) (AMENDMENT) ORDER 2023

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 103 of the Fire Safety Act 1993, the Minister for Home Affairs makes the following Order:

#### **Citation and commencement**

1. This Order is the Fire Safety (Exemption) (Amendment) Order 2023 and comes into operation on 24 November 2023.

#### **Replacement of paragraph 2**

2. In the Fire Safety (Exemption) Order (O 1) (called in this Order the principal Order), replace paragraph 2 with —

##### **“Exempt fire safety works in building works**

2.—(1) Sections 55, 56 and 60 of the Act and the Fire Safety (Building and Pipeline Fire Safety) Regulations (Rg 1) do not apply to any fire safety works that are to be started or carried out in any building specified in the First Schedule.

(2) Sections 55, 56 and 60 of the Act and regulation 17 of the Fire Safety (Building and Pipeline Fire Safety) Regulations do not apply to any fire safety works that are to be started or carried out in any building specified in Part 1 of the Second Schedule, if the conditions specified in Part 2 of that Schedule are satisfied for those fire safety works.”.

#### **Amendment and renaming of Schedule**

3.—(1) In the principal Order, rename the Schedule as the First Schedule.

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- (2) In the principal Order, in the First Schedule —
- (a) in the Schedule reference, replace “Paragraph 2” with “Paragraph 2(1)”;
  - (b) after the Schedule reference, insert —
    - “EXEMPT BUILDINGS”;
  - (c) delete item 1;
  - (d) in item 2(b)(ii), delete “or” at the end;
  - (e) in item 2(b)(iii), replace the comma at the end with “; or”;
  - (f) in item 2(b), after sub-paragraph (iii), insert —
    - “(iv) the roofing of,”;
  - (g) delete items 14 and 15; and
  - (h) after item 26, insert —
    - “27. Hoardings, except hoardings described in item 2 of Part 1 of the Second Schedule.
    - 28. Containers that —
      - (a) do not exceed 20 square metres in area;
      - (b) do not exceed 45 cubic metres in volume;
      - (c) are made of non-combustible material within the meaning given by the Fire Code;
      - (d) are outdoors;
      - (e) are at ground level;
      - (f) are not stacked with other containers;
      - (g) are not within 13 metres of other containers;
      - (h) are not within 13 metres of other buildings, motor vehicles or parking lots for motor vehicles;
      - (i) are not within 3 metres of batteries, electrical sources, electric equipment or wires or other sources of ignition;
      - (j) are used only to store goods that are not hazardous; and
      - (k) do not contain batteries, electrical sources, electric equipment or wires or other sources of ignition.”.

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**New Second Schedule**

4. In the principal Order, after the First Schedule, insert —

“SECOND SCHEDULE

Paragraph 2(2)

PART 1

BUILDINGS EXEMPT IF CONDITIONS IN PART 2 ARE SATISFIED

1. Detached, semi-detached and terrace houses each of which —
  - (a) does not exceed 3 storeys or 3 levels, including basement and attic; and
  - (b) does not share any facility with any other building.
2. Hoardings that —
  - (a) are used to carry out alterations or additions for an existing building; and
  - (b) affect any of the following for the building:
    - (i) any means of escape from the building;
    - (ii) the building’s fire protection system;
    - (iii) the building’s fire-fighting system;
    - (iv) any means of access for officers to fight fires at the building;
    - (v) any fire hydrant for the building.
3. Containers that —
  - (a) fit the description in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (j) of item 28 of the First Schedule; but
  - (b) do not fit the description in paragraph (g), (h), (i) or (k) of that item.

PART 2

CONDITIONS OF EXEMPTION

1. The person for whom any fire safety works are to be carried out must appoint a qualified person for those works.
2. The qualified person mentioned in paragraph 1 must, in addition to his or her duties under the Act and any regulations made under the Act —

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- (a) design and prepare the plans for the fire safety works in accordance with the Fire Code and certify in the form required by the Commissioner that the plans are prepared in accordance with the Act, any regulations made under the Act and these conditions;
  - (b) take all reasonable steps and exercise due diligence in supervising and inspecting the fire safety works to ensure that those works are being carried out in accordance with the Act, any regulations made under the Act and these conditions; and
  - (c) upon completion of the fire safety works, certify in the form required by the Commissioner that the fire safety works have been inspected and completed in accordance with the Act, any regulations made under the Act and these conditions, and furnish that certificate, together with the plans and the certificate mentioned in sub-paragraph (a), to the person for whom the fire safety works have been carried out.

3. The person for whom the fire safety works have been carried out must ensure that all the plans and certificates mentioned in paragraph 2(c) are kept available for inspection either in a physical form at the building where the fire safety works were carried out or in an electronic form, for the following duration:

- (a) where the fire safety works relate to fire protection works — as long as the fire protection system related to the fire protection works is in use;
- (b) where the fire safety works relate to a fire safety measure — as long as the fire safety measure is in use;
- (c) where the fire safety works relate to a relevant pipeline — as long as the relevant pipeline is in use;
- (d) where the fire safety works relate to relevant works — as long as the building or system (as the case may be) related to the relevant works is in use.”.

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