

Regulatory Regime for Gas Safety

Gas Safety Ordinance (Cap. 51)

Enacted in April 1991, the above ordinance aims to control the importation, manufacture, storage, transport, supply and use of town gas, liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) and natural gas in the interests of safety.

Key Roles of Gas Authority

The Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services has been appointed as the Gas Authority for the purposes of the Gas Safety Ordinance. The gas safety regulatory framework is based on the above ordinance and requires a joint effort of all stakeholders to abide by the law. In collaboration with a wide range of stakeholders, the Gas Authority strives to facilitate compliance with the law by all parties concerned, ensure effective enforcement and initiate prosecution as appropriate.

Regulatory Approach

The Gas Authority approves various terminals, town gas production plants, gas installations, etc. and conducts surveillance inspections on them to ensure the gas safety.



Importation & Manufacture



Transportation



Installations

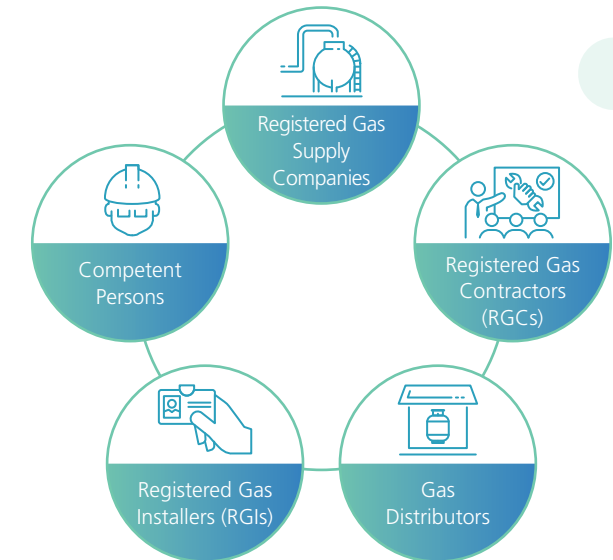


The Gas Authority conducts safety and performance assessments on Registered Gas Supply Companies (RGSCs) for compliance of the Gas Safety Ordinance and will review and issue the permits to the owners of gas vehicles authorizing their use of the road tankers and cylinder wagons to carry LPG on roads.

End Users



Stakeholders



Enforcement of the Gas Safety Ordinance entails the systematic audit inspection of gas installations and facilities as well as registration, enlistment and performance monitoring of the trade, including the RGSCs, RGCs, RGIs, gas distributors and competent persons.

