

HOW TO APPLY FOR REGISTRATION AS A GAS INSTALLER

Purpose of Registration

The purpose of the registration scheme is to ensure that only competent operatives, who have completed approved training, and gained necessary work experience undertake gas installation work, for enhancing the safety of gas users and members of the public.

Who Should Register

Any person who carries out gas installation work, for example, a manual operative and a first-line, direct supervisor, shall be registered with the HKSAR Government.

Classes of Registration

There are eight classes of registration (see Appendix I). They include work associated directly with gas service pipes, all downstream pipework and appliance installations as defined in the Gas Safety (Registration of Gas Installers and Gas Contractors) Regulations, (Cap. 51).

An applicant may apply for any number of classes. To be awarded a class of registration, the applicant must possess the appropriate levels of formal training and work experience as detailed in Appendix II.

How to Apply

Applications for registration as Gas Installers can be made to the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD). The procedures for application are as follows:

- (1) Obtain an application form (Form 1 – New Application for Registration as a

Gas Installer/Application for Change of Class of Registration for Registered Gas Installer) from the EMSD Registration and Permit Office, Ground Floor, 3 Kai Shing Street, Kowloon, Hong Kong.

- (2) Complete the application form carefully according to the instruction sheets attached to the form.
- (3) Submit in person or through a representative the completed application form together with an application fee of \$395 for each application (may be subject to periodic revision) to the EMSD Registration and Permit Office.

Application fees are not refundable. Therefore, an applicant should not submit more than one application form at any one time.

A Registered Gas Installer Card will be issued to the successful applicant. This card will remain valid until the holder surrenders it to EMSD for reasons such as application for additional classes, retirement, etc. as stated in the Gas Safety (Registration of Gas Installers and Gas Contractors) Regulations (Cap. 51).

For changing classes of registration, the same form (Form 1) and procedures should be followed.

Enquiries

For further information, please call the government hotline 1823.

Note: this leaflet is not a legal document and is prepared for general information only.

Appendix I

Definition of Classes of Gas Installation Work

Class 1 – Installation, commissioning and routine maintenance of a domestic gas appliance which is a hotplate supplied by not more than one cylinder.

Class 2 – Installation of –

- (a) a service pipe, and any gas flow control, primary meter or primary meter installation used in connection with such pipe, in domestic premises; or
- (b) an installation pipe in domestic premises.

Class 3 – Installation and commissioning of –

- (a) a service pipe, and any gas flow control, primary meter or primary meter installation used in connection with such pipe, in domestic premises;
- (b) an installation pipe in domestic premises; or
- (c) a domestic gas appliance.

Class 4 – Installation of domestic gas appliances to existing, adjacent gas supply points and commissioning and servicing of domestic gas appliances.

Class 5 – Installation of –

- (a) a service pipe, and any gas flow control, primary meter or primary meter installation used in connection with such pipe, in non-domestic premises; or
- (b) an installation pipe in non-domestic premises.

Class 6 – Installation and commissioning of –

- (a) a service pipe, and any gas flow control, primary meter or primary meter installation used in connection with such pipe, in non-domestic premises; or
- (b) an installation pipe in non-domestic premises; or
- (c) a non-domestic gas appliance.

Class 7 – Installation of non-domestic gas appliances to existing, adjacent gas

supply points and commissioning and servicing of non-domestic gas appliances.

Class 8 – Installation, commissioning and servicing of a gas appliance which forms part of an industrial process.

Appendix II

Prescribed Qualifications for Each Class of Gas Installation Work

Class 1 – VTC Gas Utilisation Module 1 and 3 months relevant practical experience.

Class 2 – VTC Gas Utilisation Module 2 and 6 months relevant practical experience.

Class 3 – VTC Gas Utilisation Module 2 & 3 and 18 months relevant practical experience.

Class 4 – VTC Gas Utilisation Module 4 and 24 months relevant practical experience.

Class 5 – VTC Gas Utilisation Module 2 & 5 and 6 months relevant practical experience.

Class 6 – VTC Gas Utilisation Module 2, 5 & 6 and 18 months relevant practical experience.

Class 7 – VTC Gas Utilisation Module 4 & 7; or VTC Gas Utilisation Modules 2, 5, 6 & 7; and 24 months relevant practical experience.

Class 8 – VTC Gas Utilisation Module 2, 5, 6 & 8; or VTC Gas Utilisation Modules 4, 7 & 8; and 24 months relevant practical experience.

Notes:

1. 'VTC' means the Vocational Training Council established by section 4 of the Vocational Training Council Ordinance (Cap. 1130).
2. Other qualifications not less than those prescribed above maybe deemed suitable for registration.