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WORKPLACE SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT (CHAPTER 354A)

WORKPLACE SAFETY AND HEALTH (OPERATION OF CRANES) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2016

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 65 of the Workplace Safety and Health Act, the Minister for Manpower makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Workplace Safety and Health (Operation of Cranes) (Amendment) Regulations 2016 and come into operation on 7 January 2016.

Amendment of regulation 2

2. Regulation 2 of the Workplace Safety and Health (Operation of Cranes) Regulations 2011 (G.N. No. S 515/2011) (referred to in these Regulations as the principal Regulations) is amended by inserting, immediately after the definition of “crane”, the following definition:

“ “current medical certificate” means a medical certificate obtained from a registered medical practitioner within such time as the Commissioner may require in any particular class or class of cases;”.

Deletion and substitution of regulation 5 and new regulation 5A

3. Regulation 5 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulations substituted therefor:

“Requirements to operate mobile crane with safe working load exceeding 5 tonnes and tower crane

5.—(1) A person must not operate a mobile crane with a safe working load exceeding 5 tonnes or a tower crane in a workplace unless —

(a) the person is a registered crane operator; and

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- (b) where required by the Commissioner, the registered crane operator has produced a current medical certificate from a registered medical practitioner certifying that the registered crane operator is medically fit to operate the mobile crane or tower crane.

(2) A person, whether or not the person has fulfilled the requirements in paragraph (1), may drive a mobile crane with a safe working load exceeding 5 tonnes in a workplace if the person is the holder of a driving licence issued under the Road Traffic Act (Cap. 276) authorising the person to drive a mobile crane of a class or description permitted by the licence, but the person must not operate the mobile crane with a safe working load exceeding 5 tonnes in the workplace unless the person also satisfies the requirements referred to in paragraph (1).

(3) It is the duty of the responsible person to ensure that no person is employed, permitted or made to operate a mobile crane with a safe working load exceeding 5 tonnes or tower crane in a workplace, unless that person satisfies the requirements referred to in paragraph (1).

(4) In this regulation, “mobile crane” excludes a lorry loader.

Requirements to operate mobile crane with safe working load not exceeding 5 tonnes and lorry loader

5A.—(1) A person must not operate a mobile crane with a safe working load not exceeding 5 tonnes (called in this regulation a mini crane) or a lorry loader in a workplace unless —

- (a) the person has successfully completed a training course acceptable to the Commissioner, on the operation of the mini crane or lorry loader;
- (b) where required by the Commissioner, the person referred to in sub-paragraph (a) has successfully completed a retraining course acceptable to the Commissioner on the operation of the mini crane or lorry loader; and
- (c) where required by the Commissioner, the person referred to in sub-paragraph (a) has produced a current medical certificate from a registered medical practitioner certifying that the person is medically fit to operate the mini crane or lorry loader.

(2) A person, whether or not the person has fulfilled the requirements in paragraph (1), may drive a mini crane or lorry loader in a workplace if the person is the holder of a driving licence issued under the Road Traffic Act (Cap. 276) authorising the person to drive a mini crane or lorry loader of a class or description permitted by the licence, but the person must not operate the mini crane or lorry loader in the workplace unless the person also satisfies the requirements referred to in paragraph (1).

(3) It is the duty of the responsible person to ensure that no person operates a mini crane or a lorry loader in a workplace unless that person satisfies the requirements referred to in paragraph (1).”.

Amendment of regulation 28

4. Regulation 28 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “5(1), (2) (4) or (5)” and substituting the words “5(1) or (3), 5A(1) or (3)”.

Made on 4 January 2016.

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