

Our reference 本署檔號 :
(2) in EMSD-GLD/GL/PUB/02 Pt.3

Telephone 電話號碼: 2808 3529

Your reference 來函檔號 :

Facsimile 圖文傳真: 2577 4901

26 May 2022

All Owners of the Builder's Lift / Tower Working Platform

Dear Sir / Madam,

Circular No. 1/2022
Written Notification of Incidents involving Builders' Lifts and Tower Working Platforms

Pursuant to Section 26(c) of the Builders' Lifts and Tower Working Platforms (Safety) Ordinance (Cap. 470), the ¹Owners of Builders' Lifts and Tower Working Platforms shall *immediately* notify in writing the Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services ("this office") and the Registered Contractor ("RC") employed by them, when

- (i) any accident occurs, whether or not there is personal injury or property damage associated with it; or
- (ii) there is a failure of any of the following –
 - (a) the driving machine brake;
 - (b) the overspeed governor;
 - (c) the safety gear;
 - (d) the overload sensing device;
 - (e) the suspension system including the rack and pinion suspension system or rope suspension system.

As a clearer guideline, owners of Builders' Lifts or Tower Working Platforms should **within 24 hours** after the time the accident or equipment failure as prescribed above has come to their knowledge, notify the Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services and the relevant RC.

¹ According to the interpretation in Section 2 of the Builders' Lifts and Tower Working Platforms (Safety) Ordinance (Cap. 470), "owner" (擁有人) means the owner of a builder's lift or tower working platform or, where it is leased, means the lessee of it, and includes (a) any agent or person in charge of having the control or management of it; and (b) the contractor who is responsible for the construction site at which it is being used.

A sample format of "Notification of Incident involving a Builder's Lift or Tower Working Platform" is attached to facilitate owners to comply with the above statutory requirement. Please note that you also may visit the following EMSD's weblink or QR code to download a soft copy of the specified form for notification.

https://www.emsd.gov.hk/filemanager/en/content_609/NOTIFICATION%20OF%20INCIDENT-Eng%20template%20fillable.pdf



In addition, to ensure effective communication and response in handling the incident, you are required to notify this office of any incident *immediately by telephone*, and to await instructions before allowing the RC to start the investigation.

I hereby enclose the above-mentioned sample format and an updated list of "EMSD Contact Telephone Numbers for Incidents involving Builders' Lifts or Tower Working Platforms" for your necessary action as and when required.

Should you have any question on the above requirements, please contact our engineer Mr. LAM Chak-hung at 2808 3865.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chung Cheuk-ming', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

(CHUNG Cheuk-ming)
for Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services

Encl.

EMSD Contact Telephone Numbers for Incidents Involving Builders' Lifts or Tower Working Platforms

機電工程署就建築工地升降機及塔式工作平台事故之聯絡電話

During Office Hours (Mondays to Thursdays : 08:30 am – 05:30 pm; Fridays : 08:30 am – 04:30 pm)

辦公時間為 (星期一至四，早上八時三十分至下午五時三十分；星期五，早上八時三十分至下午四時三十分)

	Office Telephone No. (辦公電話號碼)	Mobile Telephone No. (流動電話號碼)	Priority (優先次序)
General Registry (總務室)	2808 3867	N/A (不適用)	1
Mechanical Inspector / General Legislation (機械督察 / 一般法例)	2808 3243	6255 7928	2
Engineer / General Legislation (工程師 / 一般法例)	2808 3865	6909 6712	3
Senior Engineer / General Legislation 2 (高級工程師 / 一般法例 (二))	2808 3529	9842 3748	4

Outside Office Hours and Public Holiday

非辦公時間及公眾假期

	Mobile Telephone No. (流動電話號碼)	Priority (優先次序)
Mechanical Inspector / General Legislation (機械督察 / 一般法例)	6255 7928	1
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Note : After phone contact with our staff, you may use the fax no. 2577 4901 to provide more details of the incident.
備註：聯絡本署職員後，如有需要，可使用傳真號碼 2577 4901 提供進一步有關事故的詳細資料。

GOVERNMENT OF THE HONG KONG SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION
BUILDERS' LIFTS AND TOWER WORKING PLATFORMS
(SAFETY) ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 470

Official Use Only	
Date received. : _____/_____/_____	
Time received : _____:_____	
Ref. number : _____	

SECTION 26(c)

NOTIFICATION OF INCIDENT INVOLVING
A BUILDER'S LIFT OR TOWER WORKING PLATFORM



Notes : Pursuant to section 26(c) of the Builders' Lifts and Tower Working Platforms (Safety) Ordinance, the **owner**¹ of builder's lift or tower working platform (BL/TWP) shall **immediately**, after an incident comes to his or her knowledge, notify in writing—

- (1) **The Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services** (by fax: 2577 4901 or by e-mail: bltwp@emsd.gov.hk)
- (2) **The Registered Contractor** (responsible for installation and/or maintaining the builder's lift / tower working platform)

Name: _____ Fax No.: _____

Section A : Brief Description of Incident (tick "✓" where appropriate)

Date of Incident (day/month/year) :		Time of incident :	
Location of Incident :			
*BL/TWP No. :		*BL/TWP model : (if applicable)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Accident	<input type="checkbox"/> Builder's Lift (Jump Lift Included)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Tower Working Platform		
<input type="checkbox"/> Equipment failure	<input type="checkbox"/> Builder's Lift (Jump Lift Included)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Failure of driving machine brake
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Failure of overspeed governor
	<input type="checkbox"/> Tower Working Platform	<input type="checkbox"/>	Failure of safety gear
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Failure of overload sensing device
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Failure of suspension system including the rack and pinion suspension system or rope suspension system
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Others, please specify:

Section B : Details of Casualty (if applicable)

No. of Person(s) involved in the incident :	No. of deaths :
No. of Person(s) requiring hospitalization :	No. of injuries :

Section C : Reporting Person (tick "✓" where appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Owner of BL / TWP	<input type="checkbox"/> Lessee of BL / TWP	<input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify: _____
Name : _____		
Company: _____		
Telephone : _____		
*Fax / Email: _____		
Date : _____		(Signature or Company Stamp)

* Delete where not appropriate.

(05/2022)

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