



NEWSLETTER

THE INSTITUTION OF FIRE ENGINEERS (SINGAPORE BRANCH)

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SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2008

IFE/NFPA WORKSHOPS ON NFPA 101, 13 & 20

The Workshops on NFPA 101 – Life Safety Code, NFPA 13 – Installation of Sprinkler Systems and NFPA 20 – Fire Pumps will be held at the Phoenix Ballroom II, Novotel Clarke Quay Singapore from 3-7 Nov 2008. The Life Safety Code Workshop is based on the latest 2009 edition.

The trainer is Mr William E Koffel.

7 PDU points per day are awarded by the Professional Engineers Board, Singapore, 4 CPD points for NFPA 101, 2 CPD points each for NFPA 13 & NFPA 20 by Singapore Institute of Architects (SIA) and 14 SDU points from MOM for NFPA 101.

For those who have not registered, please send in your registration form which can be found on page 6 early.

FIRE ASIA 2009 – OPENING YOUR GATEWAY TO THE WORLD'S NEWEST MARKETS

Fire Asia 2009, a triennial industry exhibition and conference will be held at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre from 9-11 February 2009.

Alongside the Exhibition will be a Conference with the theme “Rising to New Challenges”, covering the areas of performance-based

solution, engineering for safety, emergency preparedness and management of emergency services.

Those who are interested in attending, please inform the Secretariat at Tel No. 63389274 or e-mail to ifespore@singnet.com.sg

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IFE EXAMINATIONS

The examination fees for 2009 are as follows:

Preliminary	\$ 90.00
Intermediate 1	\$120.00
Intermediate 2	\$120.00
Intermediate 1 + 2	\$150.00
Graduate (per paper)	\$150.00
Graduate (4 papers)	\$360.00
Member (per paper)	\$180.00
Member (4 papers)	\$420.00

For those who are interested, please log on to our website www.ife-singapore.org to download the form and return it to the Secretariat together with the examination fee to

The Institution of Fire Engineers
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by **Wednesday, 22 Oct 2008.**

COURSE ON SERVICING & MAINTENANCE OF FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

The 9th run of the Course on Servicing & Maintenance of Fire Extinguishers will be held from 24th Nov – 2nd Dec 2008 jointly with NTUC LearningHub Pte Ltd. This course is accredited by SCDF under the Accredited Training Institution Scheme. Upon successful completion of the course, participants will be qualified to inspect, maintain and re-charge fire extinguishers. This course will be conducted by qualified personnel from IFE Singapore, and there will be an examination at the end of the course to qualify for certification.

The Course Contents are:

1. Introduction to fire extinguishers.
2. Types of fire extinguishers and their classification & ratings.
3. Overview of SS232 – Construction of fire extinguishers.
4. SS.CP.55 – Selection & distribution of fire extinguishers.
5. SS.CP.55 – Maintenance of fire extinguishers – theory & practical.
6. SS.CP.55 – Recharging of fire extinguishers – theory & practical.
7. SS.CP.55 – Hydrostatic testing of fire extinguishers – theory & practical.
8. Theory test and Practical test.

Course commencement date :
24th November 2008

Duration: 6 evenings 6.30pm to 9.30pm

Venue: 24th Nov, 25th Nov, & 1st Dec 2008
Centre for Employability Scheme
NTUC Learning Hub
141 Redhill Road
Singapore 158828

27th Nov, 28th Nov & 2nd Dec 2008
32 Ang Mo Kio Industrial Park 2
#07-06 Sing Industrial Complex
Singapore 569510

Course fee: \$475.00 for IFE Member
\$505.00 for Non-Member

Maximum Class Size: 20

Please fill up the application form on Pg 7 return it together with payment to the IFE Secretariat. As there will be limited places, allocation will be on a first-come-first-served basis.

FSSD CIRCULARS

CD/FSSD/12/01/03/04

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08 July 2008

Dear Sir / Mdm

INSTALLATION OF FIRE DOOR ON DRY WALL

1. After the issuance of the circular on “Mounting of Fire Damper on Dry Wall” on 6 May 2008, some members of the FSSD Standing Committee asked whether the same could be applied to fire rated doors as they are also normally tested with masonry wall.
2. The Committee had discussed the proposal on 12 May 08 and agreed that fire door shall first be tested with a fire-rated dry-board wall system before it is allowed to be installed in such a system. Subsequent installation of the tested fire door on other fire-rated dry board systems can be considered via assessment reports instead of conducting separate fire tests.
3. This circular shall take immediate effect. Please convey the contents of this circular to members of your Institution/Association/ Board. This circular is also available in CORENET-e-Info: <http://www.corenet.gov.sg/einfo>.
4. For any inquiry or clarification, please contact Maj Choh Choon Jin at tel. no. 68481454 or email address Choh_Choon_Jin@scdf.gov.sg.

Yours faithfully

(transmitted via e-mail)

Poon Keng Soon
Secretary, FSSD Standing Committee
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03 Sep 2008

Dear Sir/Mdm

(A) REVISED EFFECTIVE DATES FOR CIRCULARS ON MOUNTING OF FIRE DAMPER ON DRY WALL (REF NO: CD/FSSD/12/01/03/04 DATED 06 MAY 08) AND INSTALLATION OF FIRE DOOR ON DRY WALL (REF NO: CD/FSSD/12/01/03/04 DATED 08 JUL 08)

(B) INSTALLATION OF FIRE RATED ROLLER SHUTTER ON DRY WALL

SCDF had recently received feedback from the members of the FSSD Standing Committee that suppliers of fire damper and fire door require more time to test their products with dry wall systems. In view of this, SCDF had decided to postpone the effective dates of the above-mentioned circulars to 01 Mar 2009.

2. The FSSD Standing Committee had also agreed that the same rule shall be applicable to fire-rated roller shutter installed on dry wall, i.e. fire test is required to be conducted for fire-rated roller shutter on dry wall and subsequent installation of the tested shutter on other dry board systems can be accepted via assessment report. Similarly, this requirement shall take effect for building plans registered with SCDF from 01 Mar 2009 onwards.

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Dear Sir/Mdm

FIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR PURPOSE GROUP I RESIDENTIAL BUILDING UNDER CONSERVATION

For residential shophouses/terrace houses under conservation where timber floors in the main building are to be retained with new rear extension of RC floors, Clause 11(b) of Appendix A (Fire Safety Requirements affecting Shophouses under Conservation) of the Fire Code stipulates that

- a. independent escape staircases shall be provided in both the old and new blocks and the requirements on travel distance shall be complied with; and,
- b. a fire separation in the form of fire wall and fire door shall be provided between the old and new blocks.

2. This issue was discussed in the FSSD Standing Committee meeting on 14 Jul 08. The Committee had agreed that existing timber flooring of Purpose Group I residential building under conservation need not comply with the above-mentioned requirements provided that the following conditions are met:

- a. the residential building shall not exceed 3 levels (attic and basement shall be considered as a level);
- b. there shall be no amalgamation of units; and,
- c. other requirements stipulated in the conservation guidelines, such as protection to the existing timber flooring, etc shall be complied with.

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IFE-NFPA WORKSHOPS REGISTRATION FORM
3rd to 7th NOVEMBER 2008

	1-Day NFPA 20 Nov 7	2-Day NFPA 101 Nov 3 & 4	2-Day NFPA 13 Nov 5 & 6	3-Day NFPA 13/20 Nov 5 to 7	4-Day NFPA 101/13 Nov 3 to 6	5-Day NFPA101/13/20 Nov 3 to 7
IFE/NFPA Members	S\$400	S\$900	S\$800	S\$1,000	S\$1,500	S\$1,800
Supporting Organisations	S\$450	S\$990	S\$900	S\$1,170	S\$1,710	S\$2,070
Non-Members	S\$500	S\$1,100	S\$1,000	S\$1,300	S\$1,900	S\$2,300

Please register the following delegate(s) for the Seminar by ticking the appropriate box.
(Please photocopy for more delegates)

- 1-Day Workshop on NFPA 20 2-Day Workshop on NFPA 101
 2-Day Workshop on NFPA 13 3-Day Workshop on NFPA 13 & 20
 4-Day Workshop on NFPA 101 & 13 5-Day Workshop on NFPA 101, 13 & 20

Mr/Ms/Engr/Dr _____

Organisation: _____ Designation: _____

Address: _____ Singapore _____

NRIC NO: _____ Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ HP: _____

E-mail: _____

- IFE/NFPA Member (Membership No. _____)
 Member of Supporting Organisation (_____)
 Non-Member

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Enclosed cheque no: _____ Bank: _____ Amount: S\$ _____

Cheque to be made payable to "The Institution of Fire Engineers".

Please return form with payment to:

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Closing Date for Registration:

Wednesday, 28 Oct 2008

The Organiser reserves the right to alter the programme without giving prior notification.

REGISTRATION FORM

Fire Extinguisher Servicing & Maintenance Course 24th November – 2nd December 2008 (6.30 pm – 9.30 pm) (Closing Date: 19th November 2008)

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I am interested in enrolling for the Fire Extinguisher Servicing & Maintenance Course. Enclosed is my cheque _____ for the sum of **\$475.00**, made payable to "THE INSTITUTION OF FIRE ENGINEERS".

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Name of Company: _____

Address of Company: _____

NRIC/Passport No: _____ *Citizenship _____

Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____ Marital Status: _____

Tel No: _____ (O) _____ (HP) _____ (Fax)

Membership No: _____ E-mail address: _____

* For non-Singaporeans, a copy of the employment pass/work permit must be submitted with the application.

NEW MEMBERS

Our Institution would like to welcome the following new members whose applications for the Member grade have been approved by IFE UK: -

- 1 Mr Elton Ng Soon Kuan
- 2 Mr Byran Chin Kok Siong
- 3 Mr Yee Chee Chien and
- 4 Mr Werner Ho Hoong Kong

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