

An MND Statutory Board 18 May 2020

Dear Sir/Madam

CIRCULAR TO INFORM FIRMS ON MOVEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION WORKERS AFTER SHN

This is to inform the Stay-Home Notice (SHN) for foreign workers holding S Pass or Work Permit and their dependents in the construction sector ("relevant construction workers") will end on 18 May 2020, 2359hrs.

Approval from MTI Required to Continue Work During Circuit Breaker

As the circuit breaker measures are still in force from 19 May 2020 till 1 June 2020 (2359 hrs), if you have not earlier obtained MTI's approval to provide essential services during this period, you must obtain a general or time-limited approval from MTI to provide essential services for this period and ensure that only the employees submitted to and approved by MTI perform those essential services (both local and foreign workforce). Please apply for and direct all queries to MTI at https://covid.gobusiness.gov.sg.

Movement control of foreign workers in and out of all dormitories

3 Though the SHN for the relevant construction workers will end on 18 May 2020, daily movement of workers in and out of all dormitories (i.e. Purpose Built Dormitories (PBDs), Factory Converted Dormitories (FCDs), Construction Temporary Quarters (CTQs) and Temporary Occupation Licence quarters (TOL Quarters) will still not be allowed. BCA is the lead sector agency to approve the movement out of all dormitories including FCDs/ PBDs and also CTQs/ TOL Quarters for workers needed for construction-related essential services (i.e. facility management, lift and escalator maintenance, site maintenance and emergency repair works) and workers working on construction projects.

4 If construction-related essential service providers (approved by MTI to continue operations to 1 June 2020) need to mobilise workers from the affected accommodation types (FCDs/ PBDs/ CTQs/ TOL Quarters), please contact your supporting agencies (i.e. the agency that listed your firm as "essential") to put up a request to BCA for approval. BCA will not respond to firms' requests that are not put up by any supporting public agencies.

5 The table below summarises the approvals required for workers at the affected accommodation types of construction-related essential service providers to work during the Circuit Breaker period.

Accommodation Type-for workers of essential service provider	MTI approval to provide essential services at <u>https://covid.gobusiness.gov.sg</u>	BCA's approval for movement control for workers at the affected accommodation types
HDB/ PRPs/ TLQs/ Hotels	Required	Not required
FCDs/ PBDs/ CTQs/ TOL Quarters	Required	Required

Note: For workers working on critical projects led by public agencies and construction/retrofitting works for temporary housing/dormitories, quarantine and isolation facilities, the current decanting and health protocol requirements still apply i.e. all workers (including from HDBs/PRPs/TLQs) need to submitted to BCA through the leading agencies.