BCA serves Notice for Periodic Facade Inspection of Building to owner PERIODIC FAÇADE **Owner** 100% appoints visual Competent **INSPECTION** inspection Person (CP) Owner or CP (authorised by owner) submit a report to BCA Need further check? NO **CP** proposed additional coverage Where necessary, & BCA approval owner engages contractor to repair defects as **Conduct inspection** recommended by CP Submit report to If you need any clarifications, please contact us through

Building and Construction -

Please visit BCA's website for additional information and FAQs on the PFI regime.

BCA's Online Feedback Form

or call 1800 342 5222.

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Minimum

10%

Hands-on

inspection

YES

Periodic façade inspection (PFI)

regime was introduced to enhance the maintenance requirements of building facades for public safety.

With PFI, signs of deteriorating façade materials and loose connections can be detected early so that owners can be alerted to carry out repairs.

It is required by law under the Building Control Act for owners to conduct periodic façade inspection for *buildings that are more than **20 years of age** & once every 7 years.

*Buildings that are exempted:

- Private landed houses
- Temporary buildings
- Buildings less than 13m in height

Competent Persons will have to obtain "Certificate in Facade Inspection" and is a

- Professional Engineer (registered with the Professional Engineers Board) in civil or structural engineering, or
- Registered Architect (registered with the Board of Architects Singapore)

Inspection Procedures

Visual Inspection





- Carry out from ground level or other vantage point to detect visible tell-tale signs (i.e. cracks, water marks, rust, corrosion)
- Aided by cameras, binoculars, drones etc.

Hands-on Inspection for each building face





- Pick up deteriorating façade (i.e. hollowness, corrosion)
- Close-up inspection with the use of hands/tools (i.e. hammer) to tap on plaster/tile façade or use of appropriate technology to achieve similar outcome
- Use of devices (i.e. scanning equipment) to view concealed connections for curtain wall/cladding

