

Part I – Notes

An emergency vehicular access (EVA) shall be maintained in good order by the owner of the EVA. In case any dilapidation or defect or any alteration or addition has resulted, or is likely to result, in the EVA being no longer capable of serving the purpose for which it is designed and constructed, the Building Authority (BA) can serve an order under Buildings Ordinance (BO) s29A on the owner of the EVA requesting for the carrying out of remedial works. When the order is in default, the BA can cause the required works to be carried out and the cost of such works shall be recoverable from the owner of the EVA. Also, the BA can carry out emergency works and recover the cost of the works from the owner of EVA, should the circumstances warrant such an action.

Part II – Q&As

1.	What shall I do if I find that the Emergency Vehicular Access (EVA) of a building is in dilapidated condition ?
	<p>If you are the owner of the EVA, you should appoint qualified personnel to carry out remedial works to the EVA as soon as possible. If you are not the owner and are unable to urge the owner to carry out the necessary remedial works, you may lodge a complaint to the Buildings Department for an investigation.</p> <p>In case any dilapidation or defect or any alteration or addition has resulted, or is likely to result, in the EVA being no longer capable of serving the purpose for which it is designed and constructed, the BA can serve a BO s29A order on the owner of the EVA requesting for the carrying out of remedial works. When the order is in default, the BA can cause the required works to be carried out and the cost of such works shall be recoverable from the owner of the EVA. The owner may also be prosecuted for failing to comply with the order without reasonable excuse and is liable on conviction to a fine of \$50,000 and to imprisonment for 1 year as well as a daily fine of \$5,000. Also, the BA can carry out emergency works and recover the cost of the works from the owner of EVA, should the circumstances warrant such an action.</p>