

Minor Amendment Works

Introduction

The requirement for prior approval and consent for all amendments to building works for which first consent has been given may affect the construction process.

Exemption

2. To facilitate the carrying out of minor amendment works without causing interruption of the construction progress, Building Department (BD) is prepared to exempt minor amendments of building, superstructure and drainage works, for which first consent has already been given, from the requirement of prior approval and consent under Building (Administration) Regulation 33(1) except for the following amendments:

- (a) For building plan amendment and building (alteration and addition) amendments :
 - an amendment resulting in a major revision or localized major revision as per criteria specified in Practice Notes for Authorized Persons and Registered Structural Engineers (PNAP) 143;
 - an amendment having material effect on the fundamental issues;
 - an amendment involving geotechnical concern on stability of slopes or retaining walls;
 - an amendment involving an application for exemption or a modification of the Buildings Ordinance (BO) and regulations;
 - an amendment not in compliance with the relevant Outline Zoning Plan or deviating from a scheme approved by the Town Planning Board; or
 - an amendment involving works outside the lot.
- (b) For superstructural plan amendments and superstructural (alteration and addition) amendments :
 - an amendment affecting the overall structural stability of the building .

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- (c) For drainage plan amendments and drainage (alteration and addition) amendments :
- an amendment involving the revision of the drainage layout as a result of major revision of the building proposal;
 - an amendment involving the change of drainage disposal system or connections to public sewers;
 - an amendment involving geotechnical concern on stability of slopes or retaining walls;
 - an amendment involving application for exemption or modification of the BO and regulations;
 - an amendment involving excavations deeper than 3 meters; and
 - an amendment involving works outside lot boundaries.

Amendment Plans on Site

3. As a condition for exemption, the amendments would be required to be clearly documented and deposited in the site office. Moreover, Authorised Persons and Registered Structural Engineers adopting this option of deferring the submission of minor amendments are required to ensure that approval and consent for all these amendments are obtained prior to certifying completion of the building works or applying for an occupation permit/temporary occupation permit.

4. A similar practice note has been issued to authorized persons and registered structural engineers.

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