



To enhance communication with property management agents, the Buildings Department (BD) publishes and sends this quarterly newsletter to all property management companies and hopefully through them, this newsletter will reach the hands of building owners.

## Little Forum

**“Who should the owner employ to carry out the fire safety improvement works?”**

When an owner has received a fire safety direction or fire safety improvement direction issued by BD and the Fire Services Department (FSD), and if the relevant works involve minor works (e.g. replacement of windows, removal of unauthorized building works etc.) or building works which require approval under BO (e.g. erection of a new fire service water tank on roof), he should appoint a registered building professional and/or a registered contractor (RC) to carry out the required works.

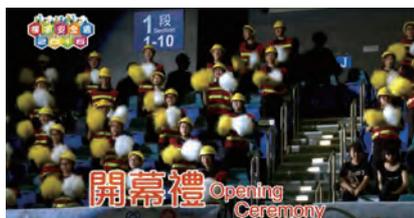
If there are site constraints, the appointed registered building professional may also propose alternative solutions for improvement of the fire safety measures and coordinate the associated works. The list of registered building professionals and/or contractors who express their interest to provide their services for the relevant works is available at BD website :  
[http://www.bd.gov.hk/english/inform/index\\_ap.html](http://www.bd.gov.hk/english/inform/index_ap.html)



## Building Safety Week 2016

The BSW2016 successfully completed on April 22. Thank you for your support and we would like to share with you the event highlights at our YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nYs4QoLDIoo>



## Building Safety Pioneer (BSP) Programme

For secondary school students who wanna know more about the BSP programme, please watch the TV program “Building Safety Pioneer Programme A1 Headline”.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WclKLp9N3pM>.



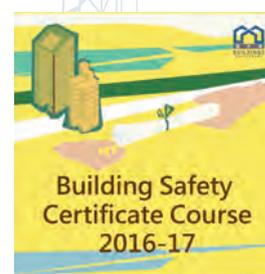
## “Building Safety Depends on All of Us” Comic Drawing Competition 2016

To allow more time for students to prepare for their artworks, BD decided to extend the deadline for submission to 30 June 2016.



## Building Safety Certificate Courses

Another series of the courses is being arranged from September 2016 to March 2017 and will soon be announced on BD website.

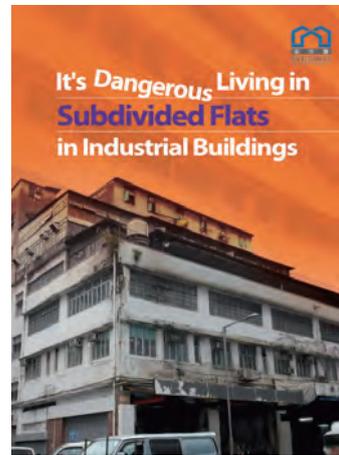


## Practitioners Corner (1) - Illegal Domestic Use in Industrial Buildings

Units and sub-divided flats (SDFs) within industrial buildings are absolutely not suitable for domestic use as the inhabitants are exposed to high fire risks posed by other units within the same building which are still being used or could be put back for industrial activities or storage of dangerous and inflammable goods. The BD is taking vigorous enforcement action under the Buildings Ordinance to eradicate illegal domestic use in industrial buildings.

As a professional property management company, you can help, for the safety of the inhabitants, circumvent the illegal domestic use in industrial buildings by:

1. reminding owners and tenants of the approved use of the premises,
2. facilitating the staff or consultants of the BD to carry out inspections, and
3. reporting any suspected domestic units and SDFs:
  - to BD Hotline (2626 1616 (handled by '1823')) or 1823 Call Centre: 1823, or
  - by post (12/F, Pioneer Centre, No. 750 Nathan Road, Mongkok, Kowloon), email (enquiry@bd.gov.hk) or electronic reporting form (<http://www.bd.gov.hk/english/services/enquiries.html>)



Download "It's Dangerous Living in Subdivided Flats in Industrial Buildings" leaflet

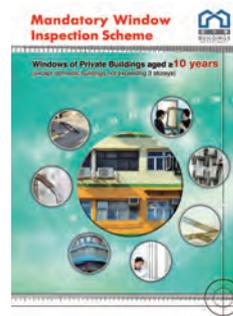


English version



## Practitioners Corner (2) - Tips for MBIS/MWIS

If your building is going to carry out a large scale repair and renovation works, you may follow the MBIS/MWIS requirements and procedures to conduct the prescribed inspection & repair in parallel and submit the report to BD so that BD may, depending on the works record and the condition of the building, consider exempting the building from being selected for MBIS/MWIS within the respective inspection cycle.



# Practitioners Corner (3) - Registration Card and QP Card

The BD currently issues 3 types of cards, namely Registration Card for RI, QP Card and Registration Card for RMWC(Ind), to facilitate building professionals/contractors to identify themselves to building owners and management companies. The respective cards contain the registered person's personal photo and information relevant to his registration and owner can verify such information from the registers on BD website. A sample of QP card is attached below for reference:



The Cards:

QP Card :



Registration Card for RI:



Registration Card for RMWC(Ind):



How to apply for a registration card?



## New Kiosks

The new Kiosk "BIG" was showcased for its first time at the Opening Ceremony of the BSW2016 which drew a lot of attention from participants. It dispenses lovely capsule souvenirs to winners. If you are interested in displaying the kiosks in your estate, please contact us at 3106 3349.



## MBIS/MWIS Apps

Both Android and IOS version of mobile apps "Quick Guide for MBIS/MWIS" has been launched! Users may install the mobile apps to search the compliance status by "Notice Number" through the "Search MBIS/MWIS Notice" function.



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www.bd.gov.hk



"Care For Your Building"  
Thematic Website  
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