#### Construction Industry Council <u>5<sup>th</sup> Progress Report of Committee on Construction Site Safety</u>

#### Purpose

This paper outlines the main points discussed at the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Committee on Construction Site Safety held on 2 April 2008. The record of attendance is at Appendix A.

#### **Issues Discussed**

- 2. Members discussed the following items
  - Guidelines on Safety of Tower Cranes;
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Summary Report for Informal Task Force on Working in Hot Weather;
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Summary Report of Informal Task Force on Site Vehicles and Mobile Plant;
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Summary Report of Informal Task Force on Permanent Safety Features;
  - Pay for Safety Scheme (PFSS);
  - 2nd Summary Report of Informal Task Force on Co-operation with Property Management Companies; and
  - work plan.

# Progress on Matters Arising from 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting on 14 December 2007

- 3. Members noted the following
  - Paragraph 25(a) The Chairman of CIC wrote a letter to the Secretary for Labour and Welfare on 3 March 2008 requesting that favourable consideration be given to bids for finance and staff resources (if any) that might be made by LD for following up on the request made by the

Committee on strengthening the staff establishment of taking enforcement actions;

- (b) Paragraph 25(b) The Chairman of CIC wrote letters to HKIA, HKIE, HKIS and REDA on 3 March 2008 requesting support for the PFSS;
- (c) Paragraph 25(c) The Chairman of CIC wrote a letter to HKFI on 3 March 2008 requesting HKFI members to consider whether adoption of PFSS could be taken into account in assessing insurance premium;
- (d) Paragraph 25(d) design features for enhancing the safety of repair and maintenance (R&M) works would be discussed in latter part of the meeting; and
- (e) Paragraph 25(e) OSHC's would make a presentation of the 5S method at the meeting of the Informal Task Force on Behavioural Aspect of Construction Site Safety scheduled for 16 April 2008.

## **Guidelines on Safety of Tower Cranes**

4. The Informal Task Force on Safety of Tower Cranes had developed the Guidelines on Safety of Tower Cranes to set out the recommended good practices for enhancing the safety of tower crane operation. Given that LD would issue suspension notices under section 10 of the Occupation Safety and Health Ordinance for non-compliance of the guidelines, the guidelines should set out the specific non-compliances which could lead to such consequences. LD and HKCA would agree on whether suitable grace periods should be allowed for these recommendations that would require considerable lead time for implementation (such as those on training courses for competent persons and construction workers).

5. Members endorsed the guidelines subject to the foregoing comments and further comments that they would make in writing to the Secretariat before 9 April 2008. The finalized guidelines would be promulgated after approved by CIC at the 9<sup>th</sup> scheduled for 2 May 2008.

[Post meeting note – The revised draft incorporating changes proposed at the meeting and in writing thereafter is at Appendix B.]

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Summary Report for Informal Task Force on Working in Hot Weather

6. At its 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 17 March 2008, the Task Force considered the overall approach for issuing guidelines for safety measures for working in hot weather and agreed that the long term direction should be to link safety measures to thermal stress on workers measured by established parameters. Pending further development works for facilitating adoption of this approach in Hong Kong, an initial set of guidelines setting out the basic good practices that could be readily implemented would be issued before summer 2008. A study on thermal stress could then be conducted to enable the Task Force to refine the guidelines on the basis of the findings of the research and industry feedback on the initial guidelines so that a new set of guidelines could be promulgated before summer 2009.

7. Members supported the two-stage approach and proposed that the wearing of sunglasses could affect the vision of workers and should therefore be omitted from the recommended safety measures.

8. Members endorsed the guidelines subject to the foregoing comments and further comments that they would make in writing to the Secretariat before 9 April 2008. The finalized guidelines would be promulgated after approved by CIC at the 9<sup>th</sup> scheduled for 2 May 2008.

[Post meeting note – The revised draft incorporating changes proposed at the meeting and in writing thereafter is at Appendix C.]

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Summary Report of Informal Task Force on Site Vehicles and Mobile Plant

9. At its 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 19 March 2008, the Task Force finalized the draft of the Guidelines on Safety of Site Vehicles and Mobile Plant for providing guidance to contractors and subcontractors on measures for enhancing the safety of vehicles and mobile plant operating on construction sites. Members examined the draft and proposed adding a recommendation that where reversing could not be avoided, it should only take place when a banksman was assigned to guide the driver or operator or an RVD had been installed to provide the driver or operator with clear rear-side views.

10. Members endorsed the guidelines subject to the foregoing comments and further comments that they would make in writing to the Secretariat before 9 April 2008. The finalized guidelines would be promulgated after approved by CIC at the 9<sup>th</sup> scheduled for 2 May 2008.

11. The promulgation of the guidelines would complement a funding scheme to be launched by LD, OSHC and HKCA whereby a subsidy of \$2,500 would be provided to small and medium size companies and individual owners for installation of reversing video device on site vehicles. The scheme would cover both vehicles used on site only and vehicles used both on sites and on public road. Given the limited funds for the scheme, each company or individual could apply for subsidy for one vehicle only.

[Post meeting note – The revised draft incorporating changes proposed at the meeting and in writing thereafter is at Appendix D.]

## 4<sup>th</sup> Summary Report of Informal Task Force on Permanent Safety Features

12. The Task Force had identified gondolas, service platforms and cast-in anchorage points as design features to be recommended for incorporation into new buildings for enhancing the safety of R&M works executed on external walls. While gondolas were found to be technically feasible and affordable for residential buildings, the industry support for gondolas would be limited if their enclosures were not exempted from height restrictions. The Task Force considered that exemption was justified given the limited size of gondola enclosures.

13. Similarly, industry support would also be limited for service platforms if they were not exempted from the calculations of accountable gross floor areas (GFA). The Task Force considered that the exemption was justified as service platforms would not be included in the saleable area of residential flats. Members agreed that CIC should be requested to write to BD, Lands D and Plan D on the subject so as to strengthen the position of the Task Force would in further discussing with BD, Lands D and Plan D the possibility of exempting enclosures of gondolas from height restrictions and service platforms from calculation of accountable GFA.

14. BD would consider developing technical standards for design, construction and maintenance of cast-in anchorage points. When these standards were available, the Task Force would deliberate on the

administrative procedures for providing proper maintenance, providing training to construction workers on use of anchorage points and procurement of insurance covers for liabilities resulting from the use of the device.

15. The Task Force would develop a set of guidelines on gondolas, service platforms and cast-in anchorage points after the completion of the deliberations on the foregoing issues.

## Pay for Safety Scheme

Since the launch of the Safety Partnering Programme by REDA 16. and HKCA in June 2005 to promote the adoption of PFSS in private sector projects, only 38 sites had joined the scheme. In view of the limited response, Members explored ways for mandating the adoption of PFSS through statutory provisions. In this regard, BD advised that as the Building Ordinance was primarily concerned with the planning, design and construction of buildings to ensure safety to occupants of the buildings and members of the public in the vicinity and would not be a suitable platform for mandating the features of the PFSS the objective of which is for safety of workers in the construction works. On the other under the Factories and Industrial Undertakings (Safety hand. Management) Regulation of the Factories and Industrial Undertakings Ordinance, contractors were required to develop, implement and maintain a safety management system in accordance with the provisions of the regulation and the Code of Practice on Safety Management issued by the Commissioner of Labour in April 2002. The Secretariat would discuss with LD whether the features of PFSS could be enforced through incorporation into the code of practice.

17. Noting that PFSS had been adopted in public sector projects, DEVB was requested to consider extending the scheme to subvented projects funded under the Head 708 – Capital Subvention and Major System and Equipment of the Capital Works Reserve Fund. The Secretariat would discuss with HKFI on ways for offering concrete financial incentive to site adopting PFSS through lower insurance premium.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Summary Report of Informal Task Force on Co-operation with Property Management Companies

18. The 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Task Force was held on 25 March 2008 to consider initiatives for enhancing the safety of R&M works through

co-operation between LD and property management companies (PMC). On the voluntary referral scheme, a simplified checklist for use by the frontline staff of PMC in identifying unsafe working conditions (such as omission of anchor bolts for the supporting brackets for truss-out scaffolds, working at height without fall arresting facilities, etc.) and for making referrals to LD had been prepared and was being circulated to members of the Hong Kong Association of Property Management Companies (HKAPMC) for comments. LD would issue a letter to HKAPMC to further solicit supports of its members in keeping a close watch over hazardous operations.

19. LD would circulate for comments by the Task Force a leaflet on the responsibilities of owners of individual flats and their contractors on the safety of works executed on their premises. The finalized leaflet would be distributed to building owners through HKAPMC and Home Affairs Department.

#### Work Plan

20. Members considered the proposed work plan of the Committee prepared by the Secretariat and endorsed the version at Appendix E revised on the basis of the discussions at the meeting for submission to the  $9^{\text{th}}$  meeting of CIC scheduled for 2 May 2008.

#### **Further Actions**

- 21. The following further actions were agreed
  - (a) the guidelines on safety of tower crane, site vehicles and mobile plant as well as working in hot weather would be submitted for approval by CIC at the meeting scheduled for 2 May 2008;
  - (b) CIC would be requested to write to BD, Lands D and Plan D on the exemption of enclosures of gondolas from height restrictions and service platforms from calculation of accountable GFA so as to strengthen the position of the Informal Task Force on Permanent Safety Features in further discussing with BD, Lands D and Plan D on these subjects;

- (c) BD would consider developing technical standards for design, construction and maintenance of cast-in anchorage points;
- (d) the Secretariat would discuss with LD on the features of PFSS that could be incorporated in the Code of Practice for Safety Management;
- (e) the Secretariat would discuss the HKFI on the ways for granting lower insurance premium to sites adopting PFSS;
- (f) DEVB would consider extending the PFSS to subvented projects; and
- (g) the work plan for the Committee would be submitted to the 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of CIC scheduled for 2 May 2008.

CIC Secretariat April 2008

#### **Committee on Construction Site Safety**

# 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting held at 2:30 pm on 2 April 2008 in Conference Room 1201, Murray Building

#### **Record of Attendance**

#### **Present**

Prof J M Ko*	
Mr CHOI Chun-wa	
Mr James Blake	Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation
Mr C K Tsang	Hong Kong Federation of Electrical and Mechanical Contractors
Mr Philip Chan	Hong Kong Institute of Architects
Mr PANG Long	Hong Kong Construction Site Workers General Union
Mr Y L Chu	Construction Industry Council Training Authority
Prof Francis Wong	Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Mr C K Lau	Real Estate Developers Association of Hong Kong
Mr Anthony Chan	Hong Kong Construction Association
Mr William Siu	Hong Kong Bar-Bending Contractors Association
Mr TANG Wah-shing	Occupational Safety and Health Council
Mr Dominic Lam	Hong Kong Federation of Insurers
Mr YU Koon-ching	Hong Kong Safety Supervisors Association
Mr NG Kwok-kwan	Hong Kong Construction Industry Employees' General Union
Mr C K Au	Buildings Department
Mr Peter Chang	Buildings Department
Dr Alex Li	Development Bureau
Mr S H Tso	Labour Department
Mrs Terry Ching	Housing Department

\* In the absence of the Chairman Mr Thomas Kwok, the meeting was chaired by Prof. Ko.

# Absent with apologies

Mr Thomas Kwok	Chairma	an			
Mr WAN Koon-sun					
Mr Thomas Ho					
Mr Ros Lam	Office	of	the	Commissioner	of
	Insur	ance			

# In attendance

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Mr K K Yeung	Principal Assistant Secretary for
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Mr K H Tao	Chief Assistant Secretary for Development
	(Works) 1
Mr Solomon Wong	Assistant Secretary for Development
	(Works) Public Works Systems
	Administration 1

Appendix B

# **Construction Industry Council**

# Publication No. xx Guidelines on Safety of Tower Cranes

[Changes made to the version submitted to the Committee on Construction Site Safety are highlighted in *bold italics*.]

Version 1 May 2008

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#### **<u>Publication No. xx</u>** Guidelines on Safety of Tower Cranes

#### A. Purpose

This publication sets out the good practices recommended by the Construction Industry Council (CIC) for enhancing the safety of tower crane operation.

#### **B.** Definitions

- 2. In this document, unless the context otherwise requires
  - (a) "Competent Person" means a person who is appointed by a Specialist Contractor to supervise the erection, dismantling and height alteration operation of a tower crane;
  - (b) "Competent Mechanical Engineer" (CME) means a Registered Professional Engineer registered under the Engineers Registration Ordinance (Cap 409) in the Mechanical Engineering or Naval Architecture & Marine discipline;
  - (c) "Competent Structural Engineer" (CSE) means a Registered Professional Engineer registered under the Engineer Registration Ordinance, Cap 409 in the Structural Engineering discipline;
  - (d) "height alteration" means the addition or removal of mast section to or from the main tower of a tower crane;
  - (e) "Operation" means the erection, dismantling and height alteration operations on a tower crane;
  - (f) "Owner" means person or company owning a tower crane;
  - (g) "Principal Contractor" means any person who enters into a contract with a client organization to perform construction work;

- (h) "Registered Safety Officer" means a person registered under regulation 7 of the Factories and Industrial Undertakings (Safety Officers and Safety Supervisors) Regulations;
- "Specialist Contractor" means any person who enters into a contract with a Principal Contractor, or a subcontractor of a Principal Contractor to perform the erection, dismantling and height alteration of tower crane;
- (j) "Technically Competent Person Grade T5" (TCP T5) means a person whose academic or professional qualifications or experience of building works or street works satisfy the requirements set out in the Code of Practice for Site Supervision issued by Buildings Department for a particular type of site supervision or management tasks.

## C. Introduction

3. Tower cranes are widely used for conveying of building materials on construction sites. Given that collapse of tower crane could result in serious threats to the safety of site personnel and members of the public, organizations and individual responsible for safety of tower cranes should take appropriate measures to assure their safety.

4. The Factories and Industrial Undertakings Ordinance ("FIUO"), the Factories and Industrial Undertakings (Lifting Appliances and Lifting Gear) Regulations ("LALGR") and the Occupational Safety and Health Ordinance ("OSHO") impose duties on stake holders to assure the safety of tower cranes. These are complemented by the Code of Practice on the Safe Use Tower Crane published by the Commissioner for Labour under Section 7A of the FIUO providing practical guidance on selection, operation, erection and dismantling, maintenance, inspection, examination and testing of tower cranes.

5. This publication make recommendations on the measures for further enhancing the safety of tower cranes based on the good practices suggested by the concerned industry stakeholders including tower crane owners, specialist contractors and professionals. The Hong Kong Construction Association (HKCA) and the Construction Industry Council Training Academy (CICTA) also contributed on technical and administrative aspects. 6. While this publication does not have a special legal status, Labour Department has indicated that it shall take non-compliances of the recommended practices *listed at Annex A* into account in considering serving suspension notices under section 10 of the Occupational Safety and Health Ordinance (Cap 509) to the concerned Principal Contractors or Specialist Contractors. For the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding such intention, this publication is issued by CIC for reference by industry stakeholders only and will not constitute professional advice on tower crane operations or any other issues. The parties using this publication should therefore seek appropriate advice from their professional advisers. CIC (including its members and employees) will NOT accept responsibilities for any consequences resulting from the use of or failure to use this publication.

## **D.** Measures for Enhancing Safety of Tower Cranes

7. The following groups of measures described in the ensuing paragraphs are recommended for enhancing the safety of tower crane operations -

- (a) checking before erection of tower cranes;
- (b) improvements of site supervision;
- (c) qualifications and experience of Specialist Contractors; and
- (d) qualification and experience of Competent Persons and workmen.

#### E. Checking before Erection of Tower Crane

#### (i) Pre-delivery checking

8. The owner of a tower crane should engage a CME to conduct predelivery checking in accordance with the procedures at Annex B before the tower crane is delivered onto the site.

9. As stipulated at Annex B, the CME should issue the following documents for the checking –

- (a) Report on Pre-Delivery Verification of Components with sample at Appendix B.1 to Annex B; and
- (b) Report on Pre-Delivery Inspection with sample at Appendix B.2 to Annex B.

#### (*ii*) Checking of anchorage

10. The anchorage of the tower crane should also be certified by an CME using Form 2 prescribed in LALGR before the tower crane may be erected.

## (iii) Checking of supporting structure

11. Before a tower crane is erected, the principal contractor should engage a CSE or a TCP T5, with five years of relevant working experience to assess the structural integrity of the building structure for supporting and anchoring of the crane. The CSE or TCP should obtain all necessary information and specifications from the owner of the tower crane for conducting a comprehensive structural analysis including assessment of the adequacy of the foundation set-up and wall ties in resisting the anticipated loading including wind load.

12. The assessment report should be submitted to the Principal Contractor before concreting of the foundation and supporting structures.

#### *(iv) Derrick crane*

13. Where a derrick crane is used to dismantle a tower crane, the procedures in paragraphs 8 to 12 above should apply to the derrick crane. In particular, where a derrick crane supported on the roof is used, the adequacy of the roof for supporting the derrick crane should be assessed in the manner set out in paragraph 11 above.

#### F. Improvements of Site Supervision

#### (i) Appointment of supervising engineer

14. The principal contractors should appoint in writing a supervising engineer with the following qualifications, experience and competences to control, monitor and supervise operations on tower cranes –

(a) an engineering degree of relevant discipline;

- (b) not less than four years of related working experience;
- (c) capability in administering the "Hold Points" on critical parts;
- (d) capability in communicating with the competent person throughout the operation; and
- (e) capability to conduct a visual inspection on the parts of a tower crane to ensure that they are in good working order before commencement of any operations.

#### (ii) Risk Assessment

15. The Principal Contractor should arrange to conduct a risk assessment in good time before the commencement of any operation on tower cranes to identify the hazards inherent in the operation and the hazards which could result from adjacent activities. The assessment should be conducted by safety professional (e.g. registered safety officers) and Registered Professional Engineer with suitable qualification and experience in appropriate discipline should be consulted on issues related to structural and mechanical stability. The assessment should be updated immediately before the start of the operations to take into account any changes in circumstances.

16. Principal contractors should formulate measures for avoiding the hazards identified in risk assessment, or where this is not possible, devise measures for minimizing their likelihood of occurrence or mitigating their consequences. These measures include –

- (a) installation of fall protection system for workers working at height;
- (b) suspension of work activities within an exclusion zone around the tower crane until an operation is completed;
- (c) provision of personal protective equipment such as protective gloves, ear protectors and reflective vests;
- (d) sufficient rest breaks;

- (e) provision of proper safety training for *competent person* and *workmen* engaged in tower crane operations;
- (f) provision of adequate lighting at inter-floors; and
- (g) employment of qualified workmen and competent person.

17. Chinese version of the risk assessment report should be made available on site for reference by specialist contractors engaged in tower crane operations.

18. The principal contractor and the specialist contractor should jointly prepare a method statement in Chinese to define the procedures of tower crane operations covering –

- (a) all measures for avoiding or mitigating the hazards identified in the risk assessment;
- (b) step-by-step procedures with diagrammatic illustration for conducting the operations with critical hazards and safety precautions highlighted by words such as "Danger", "Caution" and "Hold Points";
- (c) procedure and instruction on hold points of critical parts;
- (d) detailed procedures for avoiding hazards to site personnel working adjacent to the tower crane;
- (e) clear statements on the role and tasks of members of the working crew; and
- (f) arrangements for effective communication.

19. The guidelines for preparing the report for risk assessment are at Annex C.

#### (iii) Pre-installation checking

20. The Principal Contractor should check the availability of the following documents before proceeding with the erection of a tower crane or a derrick crane for dismantling a tower crane -

- (a) report on verification of components referred to in paragraph 9(a) above;
- (b) report on pre-delivery inspection referred to in paragraph 9(b) above;
- (c) Form 2 on checking of anchorage referred to in paragraph 10 above;
- (d) report on assessment of supporting structure referred to in paragraph 11 above; and
- (e) maintenance logbook recording the maintenance and inspection history of the crane.

#### (iv) Pre-operation checking

21. The principal contractor should make the following documents available before conducting any operation on a tower crane –

- (a) report of the risk assessment for the operation including the method statement;
- (b) records of the qualification and experience of the supervising engineer and the competent person responsible for the operation; and
- (c) all relevant certificates of test and examination of mobile cranes and derrick cranes used in the operation.

22. Copies of risk assessment report (including the method statement) should be distributed to the Specialist Contractor who should be advised of the estimated duration of the operation and the boundaries of the exclusion zone.

#### (v) **Pre-use Verification**

23. After the completion of each operation, the principal contractor should engage a CME to conduct a thorough examination and a load test to verify that the tower crane is fit for use. The use of the tower crane should resume only after satisfactory completion of the verification process.

## G. Qualification and Experience of Specialist Contractors

24. Principal contractors should only engage competent Specialist Contractors registered on the specialty of "Erection, dismantling and climbing<sup>1</sup>" of the Tower Crane trade of the Voluntary Subcontractor Registration Scheme administered by CIC for tower crane operations. Specialist contractors should possess the relevant experience, sufficient technical capability *and engage competent person* and *workmen* with appropriate skills and experience.

25. A Specialist Contractor should be able to understand the method statement for tower crane operations and to explain the details to his working crew including a full explanation on the risks associated with improper working procedures and those safety hints and precautions as outlined in the warning/attention sections normally marked "Cautions", "Danger" or "Hold Points".

## H. Qualification and Experience of Competent Persons and Workmen

26. Specialist Contractors should employ Competent Persons and workmen with appropriate qualifications, training and experience for performing all operations on tower cranes taking into account the requirements set out at Annex D.

27. The manufacturer or his local agent should organize and provide familiarization training on tower cranes to competent persons.

## I. Summary of Recommendations

28. The improvement measures recommended in the foregoing paragraphs are summarized at Annex E together with the implementing parties and timeframe.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Code 4.1.1

#### <u>List of Non-compliances with Possibility of Leading to Issue of</u> <u>Suspension Notices by Labour Department (LD)</u>

- 1. Critical components and key members have not been inspected by a CME before delivery of a tower crane to the site for erection.
- 2. Report on Pre-delivery Inspection on critical components and key members by a CME is not available for on-site inspection.
- 3. Structural integrity of the building structure for supporting and anchoring of a tower crane or a derrick crane has not been assessed by a CSE or TCP T5.
- 4. Assessment report issued by a CSE or TCP T5 on the structural integrity of the building structure is not made available for on-site inspection by LD.
- 5. Maintenance logbook and Report on Pre-delivery Verification of Components are not kept available for on-site inspection by LD.
- 6. Competent person is not employed for the erection, dismantling and height alteration of a tower crane.
- 7. The competent person does not possess experience satisfying the requirements stipulated at Annex D.
- 8. The competent person does not possess adequate qualification and training to supervise his working crew for the operation.
- 9. The operation is not carried out by workmen with qualification, experience and training stipulated at Annex D.
- 10. Specific site risk assessment prior to the operation has not been conducted.
- 11. Specific site risk assessment report in Chinese has not been prepared.
- 12. Method statement in Chinese for the operation has not been prepared.
- 13. The operation is not supervised by a supervising engineer.

14. The supervising engineer does not possess qualification, experience and competences stipulated in paragraph 14 of the main text.

## Implementation

- LD is taking items 6–8 and 10–12 into account in issuing suspension notices.
- The remaining items will take effect for this purpose within **three months** of the issue of this publication.

#### Annex B

#### **Procedures for Pre-Delivery Checking**

#### Purpose

This Annex sets out procedures for pre-erection examination of tower cranes.

#### **Engagement of CME**

2. The owner of a tower crane should engage a CME to conduct a pre-erection examination of the tower crane before its erection on site.

#### **Provision of Documents by the Owner**

3. The owner should provide the following information to the CME –  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{CME}}$  –

- (a) origins of parts and components written confirmation that all parts and components are identical or equivalent to the tower crane manufacturer's original equipment parts and components;
- (b) unique identification of parts and components unique identification to all main structural parts, motors, gearboxes and braking systems of tower cranes to be used when referring to components in reports for inspection and testing, and certifications for repairs and modifications. (A sample list is included at Appendix B.1.)

(Unique identification will not be required for pins and bolts used containing main structural parts if systems are in place for separating those that have passed nondestructive tests from the others. However, if the crane manufacturer specifies any limitations on the usage of the pins and bolts (e.g., with useful life dictated by the number of times that have been in use, etc.), unique identifiers should be provided.)

(c) verification checklist – listing the main components making up the tower crane to help in verifying that these main components conform to the manufacturer's specifications;

- (d) relevant sections from the user manual to demonstrate conformance of parts and components with the manufacturer's specifications;
- (e) maintenance logbook details of the most recent repair and maintenance work performed on the critical parts as listed below –
  - (i) Main structural parts
  - (ii) Motors
  - (iii) Gearboxes
  - (iv) Braking systems
  - (v) Slewing ring mounting bolts

(Further details should be provided if requested by the CME.)

#### **Examination by CME**

4. The CME should conduct thorough examination of the critical parts of a tower crane before it is delivered to the construction site making appropriate reference to the information provided by the owner. A checklist illustrating the possible scope of the examination is at Appendix B.2. As the checklist is for illustration only and is by not meant to be exhaustive, the CME should examine its applicability and validity by making reference to manufacturer's specifications and manual of the specific tower crane and other relevant information.

#### Non-destructive Tests

5. The non-destructive tests on the critical components including bolts and pins and welded connections should be conducted by qualified personnel. All bolts and pins (i.e., 100%) used for connection of main structural parts should be tested. Items with cracks should be replaced.

6. The CME should prescribe the non-destructive tests to be conducted on welded connection based on the result of visual inspection of critical parts. For critical parts over fifteen years old or of unconfirmed age, the minimum amount of welded connections to be tested shall be 10%. A higher percentage may be specified by the CME

where deemed necessary (e.g., due to a history of cracking).

7. If cracks are detected on any component, then all remaining welded connections on that component must be tested. Components with cracks must be replaced or repaired in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications, then further thoroughly examined by the CME.

8. All non-destructive test reports shall be forwarded to the CME for review.

# Appendix B.1

# **Sample Verification Checklist**

# **1.** Particulars of Tower Crane

Site details	:	Block 1, 88 ABC road, Kowloon Tong
Site identification	:	TC1
Make	:	ABC
Model	:	TX100
Jib length	:	55m
Mast height	:	28.2m
Hook height	:	30.7m
Serial No.	:	123456
Year	:	2007

(Note : The checklist is by no means exhaustive. Owners should examine its applicability and validity by making reference to manufacturer's specifications and manual of the specific tower crane.)

# 2. Manufacturer Specification



I have verified that the following main components (critical parts) making up the tower crane conform to the manufacturer's specifications as follows:

Item	Main	Qty	Owner's	Manufacturer's	Main	Year	Remarks
	components		identification	code	dimensions		
1	Fixing	4	F1, F2, F3,	Q200	200mm high	2007	Non-
	angles /		F4				reusable
	anchors						
2	Tower base	Nil					
	undercarria						
	ge / chassis						
3	Tower mast	1	M1	K103R	1.6m x 1.6m	2007	Reinforced
	sections				x 5m high		
		4	M2, M3, M4,	K102	1.6m x 1.6m	2007	Standard
			M5		x 5m high		
		1	M6	K101R	1.6m x 1.6m	2007	Base
					x 3m high		section,
							reinforced
4	Slewing ring	1	M1	S300		2007	Reinforced
	assembly						
5	Tower top /	1	T1	A202	5m high	2007	
	A-frame						
6	Counter-jib	1	C1	C204	12m	2007	
7	Jib	5	J1,J2,J3,J4	1,2,3,4,6	10m long	2007	
			J6				
		1	J7	7	5m long	2007	
8	Ballast	4	B1,B2,B3,B	Type F	4mx2mx0.3	2007	4 tonnes
	blocks		4		m thk		each
		1	B5	Туре Е	2mx2mx0.3	2007	2 tonnes
					m thk		each
9	Wire drum	1	WD1		φ500mm	2007	Hoisting
					drum		
		1	WD2		∳200mm	2007	Trolley
					drum		
10	Hook block	1	H1			2007	4-fall
11	Trolley	1	T1			2007	4-fall
12	Telescopic	1	TC1			2007	
	cage						

Date of Verification:	Signature:
Date of This Report:	Name of CME:
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## Appendix B.2

## **Scope of the Thorough Examination**

Report reference	:
Report date	:

# THOROUGH EXAMINATION OF CRITICAL PARTS

# FOR TOWER CRANE

(Note: The checklist shown in this report is by no means exhaustive. RPE should examine its applicability and validity by making reference to manufacturer's specifications and manual of the specific tower crane.)

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Thoroughly examined by

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

This report presents details of the thorough examination carried out on the critical parts of the tower crane before they are delivered to a construction site.

#### 2. PARTICULARS OF TOWER CRANE

Tower crane owner : Inspection location 1 Site address : Site identification : Make : Model : Jib length : Mast / hook height : Serial No. 2 Year :

#### 3. VISUAL EXAMINATION

Visual examination was carried out to check and examine the state of the critical parts listed in Sections 3.1 and 3.2.

(Note: Visible damage includes cracking, deformation, corrosion, wear and abrasion)

#### Critical parts

#### Acceptance criteria

## Condition acceptable

Yes No Remarks

•	
(a) Fixing angles / foundation anchors No visible damage affecting safety	]
(b) Tower base undercarriage / chassis	
Structural members No visible damage affecting safety	]
Welded connections No visible damage affecting safety	]
Connection pins / bolts No visible damage affecting safety	
(c) Tower mast sections	
Structural members No visible damage affecting safety	7
Welded connections No visible damage affecting safety	]
Connection pins / holts No visible damage affecting safety	]
(d) Slewing ring assembly	
Structural frame No visible damage affecting safety	]
Welded connections No visible damage affecting safety	]
Slewing ring mounting bolts No visible damage affecting safety	]
(e) Tower top / A-frame	
Structural members No visible damage affecting safety	]
Welded connections No visible damage affecting safety	]
Connection pins / bolts No visible damage affecting safety	]
(f) Counter-jib	
Structural members No visible damage affecting safety	]
Welded connections No visible damage affecting safety	]
Tie bars No visible damage affecting safety	]
Connection pins No visible damage affecting safety	]
(a) lib	
Structural members No visible damage affecting safety	1
Welded connections No visible damage affecting safety	- <u></u>
Tie bars No visible damage affecting safety	- <u></u>
Connection pins No visible damage affecting safety	]

Critical parts		<u>Acceptance criteria</u>	<u>Cond</u> Yes	<mark>dition acceptable</mark> No Remarks
3.2	Accessories			
(a)	Ballast blocks Undercarriage / chassis Counter-jib	No visible damage affecting safety No visible damage affecting safety		□
(b)	Pulleys	No visible damage affecting safety		□
(c)	Wire drums Hoisting Trolley Luffing	No visible damage affecting safety No visible damage affecting safety No visible damage affecting safety		□ □
(d)	Wire ropes Hoisting Trolley Luffing (Note: Acceptance criteria shall inc	No visible damage affecting safety No visible damage affecting safety No visible damage affecting safety clude any special recommendations fro		manufacturer)
(e)	Hook block	No visible damage affecting safety		
(f)	Trolley	No visible damage affecting safety		□
(g)	Collars Climbing collars for floor climbing Climbing ladders for floor climbing Wall tie collars for telescoping Hydraulic assembly	No visible damage affecting safety No visible damage affecting safety No visible damage affecting safety No visible damage affecting safety		
(h)	Telescopic cage Structural members Welded connections Connection pins / bolts Hydraulic assembly	No visible damage affecting safety No visible damage affecting safety No visible damage affecting safety No visible damage affecting safety		

#### 4. DIMENSIONAL EXAMINATION

Measurement of the pin and hole diameter for pinned connections was carried out to check for out-of-tolerance against the manufacturer's recommendations.

Critical parts		Acceptance criteria	Dime	Dimension acceptable		
			Yes	No	Remarks	
(a)	Mast section connection	S				
	Pin diameter	As per manufacturer's recommendations				
	Hole diameter	As per manufacturer's recommendations				
	(Note: Connections	with fixing angles / foundation anchors, betweer	n adjoinir	ng mas	st sections, and	
	with slewing ring sup	oport)				
(b)	Jib section connections					
	Pin diameter	As per manufacturer's recommendations				
	Hole diameter	As per manufacturer's recommendations				
	(Note: Connections	between adjoining jib sections)				
(c)	Tie bar connections					
. /	Pin diameter	As per manufacturer's recommendations				
	Hole diameter	As per manufacturer's recommendations				
(Note	: Connections between a	djoining tie bars, and with fixing plate)				

#### 5. REVIEW OF MAINTENANCE LOGBOOK

The repair and maintenance record prepared by the tower crane owner shall include details of work performed on the following critical parts.

<u>Critic</u>	cal parts	Acceptance criteria	Deta	ils ava	<u>ailable</u>
			Yes	No	Remarks
(a)	Main structural parts	As per manufacturer's instructions			
(b)	Motors				
	Hoisting	As per manufacturer's instructions			
	Slewing	As per manufacturer's instructions			
	Trolley	As per manufacturer's instructions			
	Luffing	As per manufacturer's instructions			
(c)	Gearboxes				
	Hoisting	As per manufacturer's instructions			
	Slewing	As per manufacturer's instructions			
	Trolley	As per manufacturer's instructions			
	Luffing	As per manufacturer's instructions			
(d)	Braking systems				
	Hoisting	As per manufacturer's instructions			
	Slewing	As per manufacturer's instructions			
	Trolley	As per manufacturer's instructions			
	Luffing	As per manufacturer's instructions			
(e)	Slewing gear mounting bolts				
	Tightening torque	As per manufacturer's instructions			

#### 6. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

#### 6.1 Critical parts thoroughly examined

All critical parts thoroughly examined are in acceptable condition, and are considered suitable for site installation.

The critical parts listed below are **not** in acceptable condition, and are required to be replaced or repaired in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications. The replaced or repaired parts are required to be further thoroughly examined by a RPE when they become available.

	Critical part	Details of non-conformance
(a)		
(b)		
(C)		

#### 6.2 Maintenance logbook

Record of repair and maintenance work performed on the critical parts is available.

Record of repair and maintenance work performed on the critical parts is **not** available for the items listed below. The record is required to be updated and further reviewed by a RPE when all the outstanding repair and maintenance work have been performed.

#### Critical part

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_

#### 6.3 Non-destructive test reports

#### (a) <u>Bolts and pins</u>

Non-destructive test report for bolts and pins ( used for connection of main structural parts ) is available to confirm acceptable condition.

Remarks:	
(b) <u>Welded</u>	onnections
Non-dest	ructive test report for welded connections is available to confirm
acceptab	e condition.
Remarks:	
#### Annex C

#### **Report for Risk Assessment**

#### Purpose

This Annex sets out the guidelines for reporting on risk assessment for tower crane operations.

#### Overview

- 2. A report for risk assessment should consist of the following sections
  - (a) introduction
  - (b) hazard assessment
  - (c) method statement
  - (d) record of key personnel
  - (e) manufacturer's manual for tower crane.

#### (A) Introduction

- 3. This section should cover
  - (a) purpose of the risk assessment report;
  - (b) scope and detailed description of the project; and
  - (c) operations covered by the report.

#### (B) Hazard assessment

4. This section should cover the hazards identified taking into account all relevant matters including -

- (a) preparation work;
  - deployment of crew for work supervision;
  - checks on the suspension points of various accessories (with specification);
  - checks on the lifting appliances and lifting gears (with specification);
  - operating frequencies of walkie-talkies;
  - checks on hand tools and fall arresting stripes;

- checks on full body harness;
- location of the enclosure;
- checks on personal protective equipment;
- storage of material;
- safety training;
- wind speed monitoring and the maximum allowable wind speed;
- arrangement of the control ropes;
- (b) work commencement procedures specifying the potential risk and mitigation measures of all procedures;
- (c) work completion procedures including tests, examination and certification; and
- (d) contingency plan for emergencies.
- 5. A sample hazard analysis is included at Appendix C.1 for reference.

#### (C) Method statement

6. The section should clearly define the procedures for every step in the operations and should be drawn up in consultation with the competent person, the safety officer and other people concerned and should be issued to the working crew for effective compliance.

- 7. The method statement should include
  - (a) details of the construction site and construction works which should include a site layout plan;
  - (b) notes on the general safety measures for the works;
  - (c) pre-construction plan;
  - (d) operating procedures with key points highlighted by diagrammatic illustrations;
  - (e) personal safety equipment; and
  - (f) safety measures for the operation.

8. Example of a site layout plan is included at Appendix C.2 while a sample method statement for dismantling of tower crane is at Appendix C.3.

#### (D) Personal particulars of crew members

9. This section should list the personal particulars of –

- (a) staff responsible for drawing up the method statement;
- (b) members of the working crew
  - (i) *competent person*;
  - (ii) *senior workmen*;
  - (iii) *junior workmen*.
- 10. Personal particulars should include the following
  - (a) name of the person;
  - (b) position held;
  - (c) qualifications held (including certificates issued in accordance with statutory provisions); and
  - (d) year of experience.
- 11. A sample of personal particulars is at Appendix C.4.

#### (E) Manufacturer's Manual

12. Contractor should enclose a copy of the manufacturer's manual in the risk assessment report.

#### ABC Construction Company

# Safety : xxxxx Revision : 3 Date :

#### Findings of Analysis into Works Hazards

Description of work	:	Addition of mast to heighten a tower cran	on of mast to heighten a tower crane							
Post of operator	:	Tower Crane Operator of XX					Operation	•		
Members of Hazard Analysis Group	:	xxx (Site In-charge), xxx (Respresentative xxx (Chief Mechanic) and xxx (Safety Of	e of XX), xx ficer)	x (Quality Co	ntrol Mana	ger)	Date of Analysis	:		
Reviewed by	:	xxx Site In-charge (Vetting)	Recorded b	y xxx (Safety	Officer)		Date of Review	:		
Personal Protective Equipment Required	:	Safety Harness NH60/Sala / P+P, Fall Arr Eye Goggles UVEX 9161-014, Safety He	restor FUJII elmet Centu	DENKO, Mas rion 1100, Saf	sk 3M 8210 ety Boots	) N95, Ear	Plug 3M EP1250,			
			Conditon being Affected	Possibility(P)	Hazard Level(C)	Risk Level				
			Workers(W)	Very Possible(5)	Mild(1)					
Basic Operation Proc	edure	Existing and Potential Hazard	Public(P)	Possible(4)	Affected(2)		Rectification M	leasures Resolved	Residual	Action
Dasie Operation 1100	coure		Environ- ment(E)	May be Possible(3)	Serious(3)	*PC=RP	to be	e taken	Risk Level	Action
		Asset(A)	Slimly Possible(2)	Disastrous						
(1) Preparation Work:				Impossible(1)						
Item 1.1	-	Item 1.1					Item 1.1			
Formulation of safe worki	ng	Danger caused by non-specific working	W,A	4	3	12	Representative of	XX draws up	9(3X3)	QCM/SO
procedure on the addition	of mast	procedure (potential danger: Danger					works hazard anal	lysis, risk control		Site In-
to tower crane		triggered because of no works statement					measures and wor	ks programme		charge/Chief
		was prepared or works statement being					together with QCI	M, Chief Mechanic,		Mechanic
		inappropriate)					Site In-charge and	l Safety Officer		
L 10							L 10			
Item 1.2		Item 1.2	***			10	Item 1.2		0(0370)	
Staffing arrangement for d	ledicated	Unclear or inadequate definition by	W,A	4	3	12	XX appoints expe	erienced works	9(3X3)	
personnel to monitor the a	ddition of	monitoring officer triggers danger					supervisor to mon	itor all procedures		
mast to tower crane		(potential danger: Danger triggered					of the addition of	mast to tower crane		
		because monitoring officers are					(the supervising of	onicer is		
		chassis to mast)					ΛΛΛ/ΛΛΛ/ΛΛΛ	.)		

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		Conditon being Affected	Possibility(P)	Hazard Level(C)	Risk Level			
		Workers(W)	Very Possible(5)	Mild(1)				
		Public(P)	Possible(4)	Affected(2)		Rectification Measures Resolved	Residual	
Basic Operation Procedure	Existing and Potential Hazard	Environ-	May be			to be taken	Risk Level	Action
		ment(E)	Possible(3)	Serious(3)	*PC=RP			
			Slimly					
		Asset(A)	Possible(2)	Disastrous	-			
Item 1.3	Item 1.3		mpossible(1)		I	Item 1.3		
Examination of avery hanging point	There is the denger that an accessory may	W/ A	4	2	12	Works Supervisor to sheek all	$0(2\mathbf{V}^2)$	
(such as hallasts ata.)	fall during the process of heisting	w,A	4	3	12	hanging points are fit	9(3A3)	
(such as ballasts etc.)	(Detential damage defects of housing.					hanging points are in		
(It is necessary to specify which	(Potential danger: defects of hanging					before assigning workers to carry		
hanging points are included)	points may lead to falling.)					out proper hoisting.		
Item 1.4	Item 1.4					Item 1.4		
Inspect all lifting appliances and	Hoisting may lead to the falling of	W A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to check that lifting	9(3X3)	
lifting gears (It is necessary to	materials (Potential danger: hoisting			5	12	gears and cranes have been issued	)(5115)	
specify which lifting appliances and	danger occurs because lifting					with certificates of inspection and		
lifting gears are included )	gears have not been inspected by					are in good condition before		
inting gears are included.)	public surveyor or they are in poor					proceeding to works procedures		
	conditions.)					proceeding to works procedures.		
	conditions.)							
Item 1.5	Item 1.5					Item 1.5		
Frequency channel of walkie-talkie	Danger occurs during hoisting of material	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisors are responsible for	9(3X3)	
¥	and communication. (potential danger:					ensuring the proper reception of	~ /	
	poor reception leads to danger.)					walkie-talkie.		
Item 1.6	Item 1.6					Item 1.6		
Inspection of hand tools and fall	Hand tools may fall down.	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisors are responsible	9(3X3)	
arrest strips	(Potential danger: such as tools slipping					for ensuring all hand tools are tied to		
-	from hand when in use may fall down.)					fall arrest strips and they should		
						instruct and supervise workers to		

		Conditon being Affected	Possibility(P)	Hazard Level(C)	Risk Level			
		Workers(W)	Very Possible(5)	) Mild(1)				
Decision Decision Decision		Public(P)	Possible(4)	Affected(2)	1	Rectification Measures Resolved	Residual	A
Basic Operation Procedure	Existing and Potential Hazard	Environ- ment(E)	May be Possible(3)	Serious(3)	*PC=RP	to be taken	Risk Level	Action
		Asset(A)	Slimly Possible(2)	Disastrous				
Item 1 7	Item 1 7		Impossible(1)			Item 1 7		
Inspection of full body harness	Potential danger of fall of person	WA	4	3	12	Works Supervisors are responsible	9(3X3)	
inspection of full body numess.	(Potential danger: irregularity of	·· ,2 1		5	12	for a pre-works procedure inspection	)(313)	
	full body barness or failure to use					to ensure full body harnesses are		
	full body harness may lead to fall of					proper and to supervise workers to		
	nerson )					use them during the works		
						procedure. Also to instruct workers to		
						use the harnesses properly before any		
						works procedure.		
						works procedure.		
Item 1.8	Item 1.8					Item 1.8		
Fencing-off of site	Affect workers at lower working area.	W,A	4	3	12	Foremen, Chief Mechanic and	9(3X3)	
(It is necessary to specify the	(Potential danger: danger occurs					Works Supervisor are jointly		
location.)	because of improper fencing-off of					responsible for determining the area		Foreman
	site or there are workers working at					to be fenced off. Works Supervisor		
	lower working area.)					is to send someone to guard against		
						workers of other trades getting		
						into the crane erection area.		
Item 1.9	Item 1.9					Item 1.9		
Inspection of personal protective	PPP cannot fully perform its protection	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to inspect PPE	9(3X3)	
equipment (PPE)	function. (Potential danger: improper					before assigning work and to instruct		
	PPE can not perform its protective					workers of the proper use of it.		
	function or improper use of PPE by							
	worker may lead to danger.)							

		Conditon being Affected	Possibility(P)	Hazard Level(C)	Risk Level			
		Workers(W)	Very Possible(5)	Mild(1)				
		Public(P)	Possible(4)	Affected(2)	1	Rectification Measures Resolved	Residual	Action
Basic Operation Procedure	Existing and Potential Hazard	Environ	May be		1	to be taken	Risk Level	Action
		ment(E)	Possible(3)	Serious(3)	*PC=RP			
			Slimly					
		Asset(A)	Possible(2)	Disastrous				
			Impossible(1)					
Item 1.10	Item 1.10					Item 1.10		
Placing of materials	Improper placing of materials	W,A	3	3	9	Works Supervisor and Foreman to	6(2X3)	
	triggers danger (Potential danger: such as					jointly work out the arrangement for		
	material obstructing passage, tall					placing of materials and to choose a		
	stacking and insecure placing, etc.)					suitable and secure place for the		Foreman
						placing of materials. To instruct		
						and supervise workers to place		
						materials suitably and less than 2		
						metres high.		
Item 1.11	Item 1.11					Item 1.11		
Safety training	Inadequate training of workers leads to	W	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to arrange	9(3X3)	
	danger (Potential danger: Inadequate					training for workers before works		
	hazard awareness of worker leads to					procedures commence, including		
	danger.)					manual handling work.		
						ŭ		
Item 1.12	Item 1.12					Item 1.12		
Monitoring of wind speed	Wind speed exceeding 62 km per hour	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor and Chief	9(3X3)	
(It is necessary to specify the	will result in danger (Potential danger:					Mechanic are responsible for		
greatest wind allowable.)	The turning of chassis and insecure					monitoring. (Receiving weather		
-	hoisting may result in danger.)					report) when wind speed exceeds		
						62 km per hour, operation of tower		
						crane should be stopped immediately.		
Item 1.13	Item 1.13					Item 1.13		
Arrangement for control rope	Collision of objects endangers workers	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to arrange	9(3X3)	
- *	(Potential danger: Inadequate and					adequate and suitable control		
	improper control rope may lead					rope and monitor the use of it.		
	to danger in hoisting.)							

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		Conditon being Affected	Possibility(P)	Hazard Level(C)	Risk Level			
		Workers(W)	Very Possible(5)	Mild(1)				
		Public(P)	Possible(4)	Affected(2)		Rectification Measures Resolved	Residual	
Basic Operation Procedure	Existing and Potential Hazard	Environ	May ha			to be taken	Risk Level	Action
		ment(E)	Possible(3)	Serious(3)	*PC=RP			
			Slimly					
		Asset(A)	Possible(2)	Disastrous				
			Impossible(1)					
(2) Commencing works								
procedure								
(Erection of telescopic cage)								
Item 2.1	Item 2.1.1					Item 2.1.1		
Use the tower crane and two long	Potential danger of fall of person ~1	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to instruct	9(3X3)	
chain slings and two short chain	(Potential danger: As workers work					workers to fix the full body harness		
slings to hoist the telescopic cage to	on the mast of the tower crane, there					firmly with fall arrestor before		
the mast at the bottom of chassis	is the danger of fall of person.)					starting the works procedure.		
and then open the door of								
the telescopic cage. After fixing it						Works Supervisor to check if the		
to the mast at the bottom						access leading up and down is secure		
of chassis, use lifting gear to						and suitable.		
adjust the door of the telescopic								
cage and fix it properly, and then	Item 2.1.2					Item 2.1.2		
hammer the pins until they are	Potential danger of load falling down~1	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to ensure the	9(3X3)	
firm, so that the telescopic cage is	(Potential danger: Inappropriate					hanging point is proper before		
firmly fixed on the mast. Jack up th	hanging point of telescopic cage or					assigning workers with rigging		
telescopic cage to the position of	unsuitable hoisting device may lead to					certificate and experience to carry out		
the chassis and then secure the 4	the danger of load falling down.)					rigging and lifting operation.		
pins of the telescopic cage to the								
bottom of the chassis. After that						Works Supervisor to fence off the		
remove the hook and connection						lower working area before		
wire.						works procedures commence.		
						Works Supervisor to check the		
						valid certificates of all lifting		
						devices and to ensure all lifting		
						devices are in good condition by		
						visual inspection.		

Basic Operation Procedure	Existing and Potential Hazard	Conditon being Affected Workers(W) Public(P) Environ- ment(E) Asset(A)	Possibility(P) Very Possible(5) Possible(4) May be Possible(3) Slimly Possible(2)	Hazard Level(C) Mild(1) Affected(2) Serious(3) Disastrous	Risk Level *PC=RP	Rectification Measures Resolved to be taken	Residual Risk Level	Action
			Impossible(1)					
Item 2.1 (cont'd)	Item 2.1.3					Item 2.1.3		
	Potential danger of falling of tools~1	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to instruct and	9(3X3)	
	(Potential danger: hand tools slipping					monitor workers to use fall arrest		
	from hand may fall down.)					strips to prevent hand tools from		
						falling.		
Item 2.2	Item 2.2.1					Item 2.2.1		
To install two mono-rails at the	Potential danger of fall of person~1	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to instruct	9(3X3)	
bottom of chassis and use the	(Potential danger: As workers work on					workers to fix the full body harness		
tower crane to fix the trolley on the	the mast of the tower crane, there					firmly with fall arrestor before		
mono-rail. When the telescopic	is the danger of fall of person.)					starting the works procedure.		
cage is installed at the bottom of								
chassis, lift counter-jib to	Item 2.2.2					Item 2.2.2		
balance the tower crane.	Potential danger of load falling out~1	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to ensure the	9(3X3)	
	(Potential danger: Inappropriate					rigging method of mono-rail is		
	rigging method of mono-rail or					appropriate before assigning		
	unsuitable hoisting device may lead to					workers with rigging certificate and		
	danger of load falling down.)					experience to carry out rigging and		
						lifting operation.		
						Works Supervisor to fence off the		
						lower working area before		
						works procedures commence.		
						Works Supervisor to check the		
						valid certificates of all lifting		
						devices and to ensure all lifting		
						devices are in good condition by		
						visual inspection.		

		Conditon being Affected	Possibility(P)	Hazard Level(C)	Risk Level			
		Workers(W)	Very Possible(5)	Mild(1)				
		Public(P)	Possible(4)	$\Delta$ ffected(2)	1	Rectification Measures Resolved	Residual	Action
<b>Basic Operation Procedure</b>	Existing and Potential Hazard			/ inceted(2)	1	to be taken	Risk Level	
		Environ-	May be Possible(2)	Sorious(2)	*PC=RP	to be taken	KISK Level	
		ment(E)	Slimly	Serious(3)	1			
		Asset(A)	Possible(2)	Disastrous				
			Impossible(1)		1			
Item 2.2 (Cont'd)	Item 2.2.3					Item 2.2.3		
	Potential danger of falling of tools~1	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to instruct and	9(3X3)	
	(Potential danger: hand tools slipping					monitor workers to use fall arrest		
	from hand when in use may fall down.)					strips to prevent tools from falling.		
	Item 2.2.4					Item 2.2.4		
	Potential danger of fall of ballasts~1	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to assign	9(3X3)	
	(Potential danger: Inappropriate rigging					workers with rigging certificate to		
	point may lead to falling during hoisting)					carry out hoisting procedures.		
						To instruct worker of the proper		
						rigging method before works		
						procedures commence.		
						To ensure rigging operator possesses		
						relevant crane operation certificates		
						and all lifting devices are in good		
						condition and to check that they can		
						be used.		
	Potential danger of fall of ballasts~2	W,A	4	3	12	Ganger to check that the hanging	9(3X3)	
	(Potential danger: inappropriate hanging					points of ballests are proper		
	point may lead to fall during hoisting.)					before hoisting them.		
						Works Supervisor to ensure chain		
						slings are checked and are issued		
						with valid certificate and are suitably		
						locked before assigning experienced		
						workers with rigging certificate to		
						carry out rigging procedure.		

		Conditon being Affected	Possibility(P)	Hazard Level(C)	Risk Level			
		Workers(W)	Very Possible(5)	Mild(1)				
		Public(P)	Possible(4)	Affected(2)		Rectification Measures Resolved	Residual	
Basic Operation Procedure	Existing and Potential Hazard	Environ	May ba			to be taken	Risk Level	Action
		ment(E)	Possible(3)	Serious(3)	*PC=RP			
			Slimly					
		Asset(A)	Possible(2)	Disastrous				
			Impossible(1)					
Item 2.3	Item 2.3.1					Item 2.3.1		
When the tower crane is balanced,	Potential danger of fall of person~1	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to instruct	9(3X3)	
hammer out the 8 pins at the	(Potential danger: As workers work					workers to fix the full body harness		
bottom of the chassis and jack	on the mast of the tower crane there					firmly with fall arrestor before		
up the part of tower crane above	is the danger of fall of person.)					starting the works procedure.		
the chassis until the two								
temporary supporting wedges	Item 2.3.2					Item 2.3.2		
can be laid on the shackle of the	Potential danger of pin falling out~1	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to instruct and	9(3X3)	
mast, and then slightly	(Potential danger: Inappropriate					monitor worker to hold pins firmly		
lower the tower crane so that it is	hammering of pin or unsuitable hoisting					before putting them in the correct		
firmly supported.	device may lead to fall down of pin.)					position and to start the procedure of		
Use hydraulic jack to jack up the						hammering when they are firm.		
tower crane. Use tower crane to								
hoist mono-rail to the position of						Works Supervisor to fence off the		
the mast and put the mast into the						lower working area before		
telescopic gear. Hammer the 8						works procedures commences.		
groups of pins at the bottom of						-		
chassis until they are firm	Item 2.3.3					Item 2.3.3		
enough and then hammer the 4	Danger of tower crane falling~1	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to check shackle		
groups of pins joining the mast	(Potential danger: Inappropriate					is properly installed before		
until they are firm enough. The	installation of shackle may lead to					assigning workers to commence the		
telescoping procedure of tower	the fall of tower crane.)					tower crane telescoping procedure.		
crane is completed.								
						Item 2.3.3		
	Danger of tower crane falling~2	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to check the wedges	9(3X3)	
	(Potential danger: Inappropriate					are properly installed before		
	installation of temporary support wedges					assigning workers to commence the		
	may lead to the fall of tower crane.)					tower crane telescoping procedure.		

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		Conditon being Affected	Possibility(P)	Hazard Level(C)	Risk Level			
		Workers(W)	Very Possible(5)	Mild(1)				
		Public(P)	Possible(4)	Affected(2)		Rectification Measures Resolved	Residual	
<b>Basic Operation Procedure</b>	Existing and Potential Hazard			/ inceted(2)		to be taken	Risk Level	Action
		Environ- ment(E)	May be Possible(3)	Serious(3)	*PC=RP	to be taken	RISK Level	Action
			Slimly					
		Asset(A)	Possible(2)	Disastrous				
			Impossible(1)					
(Dismantling of telescopic cage.)								
Item 2.4	Item 2.4.1					Item 2.4.1		
When the tower crane has climbed	Potential danger of fall of person~1	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to instruct	9(3X3)	
to the appropriate height, lower the	(Potential danger: As workers work					workers to fix the full body harness		
telescopic cage until it sits firmly on	on the mast of tower crane there					firmly with fall arrestor before		
the mast, and then hammer out the	is the danger of fall of person.)					starting the works procedure.		
8 groups of pins at the bottom of								
chassis and dismantle the telescopic	Item 2.4.2					Item 2.4.2		
cage with the following procedure:	Potential danger of pin falling down~1	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to instruct and	9(3X3)	
1. Use wires to secure the gate of	(Potential danger: Inappropriate					monitor worker to hold pins firmly		
the telescopic cage and dismantle	hammering of pins or unsuitable hoisting					before putting them in the correct		
the gate.	devices may lead to danger of pins falling					position and to start the procedure of		
2. Secure two groups of two	down.)					hammering when they are firm.		
long and two short chain slings								
to four appropriate positions						Works Supervisor to fence off the		
and hammer out the four groups of						lower working area before	9(3X3)	
pins each at the chassis and the						works procedures commence .		
four corners of the mast.								
3. Use wires to secure the	Item 2.4.3					Item 2.4.3		
telescopic cage	Potential Danger of telescope cage falling	W,A	4	3	12	Works supervisor to check the		
4. Retrieve the shackle and loosen	~1					mono-rail is secure before		
the hydraulic jack.	(Potential danger: Inappropriate					proceeding.		
5. Use chain slings to pull out the	installation of mono-rail may lead to							
telescopic cage along the mono-rail	falling of the mast.)					Works Supervisor to fence off the		
and hoist the telescopic cage back						lower working area before		
to the ground.						works procedures commence.		
(Remark: Other method of								
dismantling the telescopic cage can								
also be used.)								

		Conditon being Affected	Possibility(P)	Hazard Level(C)	Risk Level			Action
		Workers(W)	Very Possible(5)	Mild(1)				
		Public(P)	Possible(4)	Affected(2)		<b>Rectification Measures Resolved</b>	Residual	<b>A</b>
Basic Operation Procedure	Existing and Potential Hazard	Environ-	May be			to be taken	Risk Level	Action
		ment(E)	Possible(3)	Serious(3)	*PC=RP			
		Assat(A)	Slimly Describle(2)	Disectrons				
		Assel(A)	Impossible(1)	Disastious	-			
Item 2.4 (continuation)					<u> </u>	Works Supervisor to check the		
						valid certificates of all lifting		
						devices and to ensure all lifting		
						devices are in good condition by		
						visual inspection.		
						Works Supervisor to ensure the		
						telescopic cage has been secured with		
						wires.		
	Item 2.4.4					Item 2.4.4		
	Potential danger of falling of hand tools~3	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to instruct and	9(3X3)	
	(Potential danger: when tightening					monitor worker to use hand tool		
	bolts, there is the danger of hand tools					and control rope.		
	or bolts falling.)							
						Works Supervisor to fence off the		
						lower working area before		
						works procedures commence.		
	Item 2.4.5					Item 2.4.5	9(3X3)	
	Danger of tower crane falling.	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to check pins are		
	(Potential danger: Inappropriate					properly installed before assigning		
	installation of pins may lead to					workers to start the tower crane		
	falling of the tower crane.)					dismantling procedure.		

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		Conditon being Affected	Possibility(P)	Hazard Level(C)	Risk Level			
		Workers(W)	Very Possible(5)	Mild(1)				
		Public(P)	Possible(4)	Affected(2)		<b>Rectification Measures Resolved</b>	Residual	<b>A</b> 15
Basic Operation Procedure	Existing and Potential Hazard	Environ-	May be	Sorious(2)	*PC=RP	to be taken	Risk Level	Action
		ment(L)	Slimly	Serious(3)				
		Asset(A)	Possible(2)	Disastrous				
			Impossible(1)					
Item 2.5	Item 2.5.1					Item 2.5.1		
Transport the hydraulic jack and	Potential danger of load falling down~2	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to ensure the		
tools etc. back to the ground	(Potential danger: Inappropriate					hanging points for the hoisting of		
	hanging points for the hoisting of					hydraulic jack and telescopic cage are		
	hydraulic jack and telescopic cage may					proper before assigning workers		
	lead falling.)					with rigging certificate and experience		
						to carry out rigging operation.		
						Works Supervisor to check the		
						valid certificates of all lifting		
						devices and to ensure all lifting		
						devices are in good condition by		
						visual inspection.		
						Works Supervisor to instruct and		
						monitor workers to use skip that		
						have been checked for bulk		
						handling.		
						Works Supervisor to fence off the		
						lower working area before		
						works procedures commence.		

		Conditon being Affected	Possibility(P)	Hazard Level(C)	Risk Level			
		Workers(W)	Very Possible(5)	Mild(1)				
		Public(P)	Possible(4)	Affected(2)	1	Rectification Measures Resolved	Residual	
Basic Operation Procedure	Existing and Potential Hazard	г. :		(_)	1	to be taken	Risk Level	Action
		Environ- ment(E)	May be Possible(3)	Serious(3)	*PC=RP	to be taken		Action
			Slimly	Derroub(5)	1			
		Asset(A)	Possible(2)	Disastrous				
			Impossible(1)		1			
Item 2.6	Item 2.6.1					Item 2.6.1		
Assign competent examiner to the	Potential danger of fall of testing block~1	W,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to assign	9(3X3)	
site to carry out the tests and	(Potential danger: Inappropriate					workers with rigging certificate to		
examine the tower crane.	rigging may leads to falling down					carry out hoisting procedure.		
The tower crane can only be used	during hoisting.)							
after electrician has adjusted the						Works Supervisor to assign		
safe device and RPE has issued a						workers with rigging certificate to		
valid certificate.						carry out hoisting of mast.		
						Before the works procedure is		
						carried out, instruct workers of the		
						proper rigging procedure.		
						To ensure crane operators possess		
						relevant crane operation certificate		
						and all lifting devices are in good		
						condition and are checked suitable		
						for use.		
	Potential danger of fall of testing block ~2	W,A	4	3	12	Ganger to check that hanging point	9(3X3)	
	(Potential danger: Inappropriate					of the testing block is proper before		
	hanging point may lead to falling during					hoisting them.		
	hoisting.)							
						Works Supervisor to ensure chain		
						slings are checked and are issued		
						with valid certificate and are		
						suitably locked before assigning		
						experienced workers with rigging		
						certificate to carry out rigging		
						procedure.		

		Conditon being Affected	Possibility(P)	Hazard Level(C)	Risk Level			
		Workers(W)	Very Possible(5)	Mild(1)				
		Public(P)	Possible(4)	Affected(2)		Rectification Measures Resolved	Residual	
Basic Operation Procedure	Existing and Potential Hazard	Environ	Marcha			to be taken	Risk Level	Action
		ment(E)	Possible(3)	Serious(3)	*PC=RP			
		inent(E)	Slimly	Serious(S)				
		Asset(A)	Possible(2)	Disastrous				
			Impossible(1)					
(3) Completion of works	Item3.1					Item3.1		
procedure	Fall of object	W,A	4	3	12	When the works procedures are	9(3X3)	
	(Potential danger: If tools are not					completed, Works Supervisor to		
	properly put away, when a tower					check that all tools are put away		
	crane is in operation, there is the					properly.		
	danger of falling of object.)							
(4) Emergency	Item4.1					Item4.1		
	Fire breaks out and workers can not get	W,P,E,A	4	3	12	Works Supervisor to inform	9(3X3)	
	away and get injured.					Chief Mechanic and head of		
						Emergency Action Team (Site		
						In-charge) immediately and to take		Site-In-
						action accordingly.		charge
						Site In-charge to inform first aider		Site-In-
						to stand-by for rescue.		charge &
								first aider
						After receiving the message, the		
						Site In-charge immediately appoints		
						someone to have a vehicle ready in		
						case there is the need to send		Site-In-
						casualties to hospital.		charge
						After the fire, the Site In-charge		
						shall convene a meeting to review		
						the causes of the fire and the accident		
						and draw up precautionary		
						measures to prevent the same		Site-In-
						from happening.		charge





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#### Appendix C.3

Requirement of tower crane erection/dismantling procedures as expressed in the method statement

 Site Name : \_\_\_\_\_\_

 Project Item : \_\_\_\_\_\_



Dismantling steps as well as weight and length of various parts

Dismantling steps	Name of parts	Weight	Length	
1A	counter-jib ballast	2.1 tonnes	1940 mm	
1B	counter-jib ballast	2.1 tonnes	1940 mm	
1C	counter-jib ballast	3.15 tonnes	2840 mm	
1D	counter-jib ballast	3.15 tonnes	2840 mm	
1E	counter-jib ballast	3.15 tonnes	2840 mm	
1F	counter-jib ballast	3.15 tonnes	2840 mm	
2	hook	0.53 tonnes	1710 mm	
3	jib + trolley	9.3 tonnes	60000 mm	
4G	counter-jib block	3.15 tonnes	2130 mm	
5	counter jib + hoisting drum	9.2 tonnes	15840 mm	
6	A-frame + slewing ring + cabin	7.3 tonnes	4720 mm	
7	mast	1.86 tonnes	6000 mm	
8	mast	1.86 tonnes	6000 mm	
9	mast	1.86 tonnes	6000 mm	
10	mast	1.86 tonnes	6000 mm	
11	concrete footing			

Layout plan to be attached to building plans (please refer to Annexes 1 to 3) Distance between hydraulic derrick crane and the centre of tower crane



Information required:

- 1) name of facilities for dismantling a tower crane
- 2) brand name of hoisting facilities
- 3) model number of hoisting facilities
- 4) show the distance between storage area for hoisting facilities and centre of the tower crane
- 5) show the hoisting area of the hoisting facilities
- 6) show in the diagram the radius of the relevant work of the hoisting facilities and their greatest safe working load
- 7) show the enclosed area of the dismantling work
- 8) show the storage area of the parts of the tower crane
- 9) show the storage area of jib and counter-jib
- 10) describe the type of ground and way of cushioning and the material used of the crane if hydraulic derrick crane is used
- 11) show the weight to be carried by ballast of hydraulic derrick crane

#### **Tower Crane Dismantling Procedures**



Step 1: Dismantle the counter-jib block

Works Procedures:

1. Dismantle 1A to 1F counter-jib ballast with a derrick crane!

<b>Important Points</b>	Hazard Identification
Distance between the tower crane and the derrick crane is 7 m, the safe working load is 13 tonnes	Fall of person: 1. Technicians must use safety belts
Reserve one counter-jib	Fall of object:
ballast for balance when dismantling the jib	<ol> <li>Enclose the affected area, no access except for tower crane dismantling workers</li> <li>Hand tools must be tied to the appropriate position with a rope</li> </ol>

#### **Tower Crane Dismantling Procedures**

Step 2: Dismantle the hook and retrieve the hoisting wire rope

- 1. Use wires and shackles to secure the hook on the jib.
- 2. Use the tower crane to coil hoisting wire back to hoisting drum.

<b>i</b> Important Points	Hazard Identification		
Good communication must be maintained with the tower crane operator when retrieving the hoisting wire	<ul><li>Fall of person:</li><li>1. Technicians working at the jib must use "double shackle" safety belts</li></ul>		
rope			
Only tower crane operators	Fall of object:		
with a certificate will be	1. Enclose the affected area, no access except for tower		
allowed to operate the tower	crane dismantling workers		
crane	2. Hand tools must be tied to the appropriate position		
	with a rope		

#### **Tower Crane Dismantling Procedures**

#### Step 3: Dismantling the jib



Works procedure :

- 1. Use 4 chain slings of 2.4 m long and 2 wires to hoist the centre of the jib according to the manual.
- 2. Tie the trolley properly with rope and retrieve the cable.
- 3. Hammer out the square-shaped pins and the steel plate which are connected to A-frame.
- 4. Afterwards, hammer out the small pins joining the wedge lock and the slewing ring.
- 5. Slightly hoist up the jib to a 5 degree angle with the ground level and hammer out the pins of the oval core within the wedge lock.
- 6. Use the derrick crane to dismantle the whole jib and lay it on the ground before continuing with the dismantling process.

<b>i</b> Important Points	Hazard Identification
Distance between the tower crane	Fall of person:
and the derrick crane is 7.8 m, the	1. Technicians working at the jib must use "double
safe working load is 12.3 tonnes	shackle" safety belts
Before dismantling the jib, the	Fall of object:
trolley must be tied to the jib with	1. Enclose the affected area, no access except for tower
a coarse string	crane dismantling workers
_	2. Hand tools must be tied to the appropriate position
	with a rope
Must use a control rope to keep	Overloading of derrick crane:
the jib within the radius of safe	1. The derrick crane operator and signaller must ensure
hoisting of the derrick crane	the object for hoisting must not exceed the safe
	working load.
Must use a block to secure the jib	
so as to maintain a correct central	
position and prevent the release	
of too much energy during the	
dismantling process	
Adequate space must be reserved	
on the ground level for placing	
the jib of 60 m long	

# **Tower Crane Dismantling Procedures**

Step 4: Dismantle the last ballast



Works Procedures:

### 1. Dismantle the 4G ballast with a derrick crane

<b>Important Points</b>	Hazard Identification
Distance between the tower crane and the derrick crane is 7 m, the safe working load is 13 tonnes	Fall of person: 1. Technicians must use safety belts
	<ul><li>Fall of object:</li><li>1. Enclose the affected area, no access except for tower crane dismantling workers</li><li>2. Hand tools must be tied to the appropriate position with a rope</li></ul>

#### **Tower Crane Dismantling Procedures**





- 1. Use 4 chain slings of 2.4 m long to lift up the centre of the counter jib according to the manual.
- 2. Hammer out the small pins joining the wedge lock and the slewing ring.
- 3. Slightly lift up the counter jib to a 5° angle, hammer out the connecting pins on the tie bar of the counter jib. Then, hammer out the small pins of the oval core within the wedge lock.
- 4. Use the derrick crane to dismantle the whole counter jib and lay it on the ground before continuing with the dismantling process.

Important Points	Hazard Identification
Distance between the tower	Fall of person:
crane and the derrick crane is	1. Technicians must use safety belts
9 m, the safe working load is	
11 tonnes	
Must use a control rope to keep	Fall of object:
the dismantled counter jib	1. Enclose the affected area, no access except for tower
within the radius of the safe	crane dismantling workers
hoisting of the derrick crane.	2. Hand tools must be tied to the appropriate position
	with a rope
Must use a block to secure the	Overloading of derrick crane:
counter jib so as to maintain a	1. The derrick crane operator and signaller must ensure
correct central position and	the object for hoisting must not exceed the safe
prevent the release of too much	working load.
energy during the dismantling	
process	
Adequate space must be	
reserved for placing the whole	
piece of counter jib	

#### **Tower Crane Dismantling Procedures**

Step 6: Dismantle the A-frame + slewing ring + cabin



- 1. Use 4 chain slings of suitable length to lift up the A-frame + slewing ring+cabin according to the instruction manual.
- 2. Loosen the screws connecting the slewing ring and the mast with a hydraulic block.
- 3. Use a derrick crane to dismantle the A-frame+slewing ring+cabin and lay them on the ground.

<b>i</b> Important Points	Hazard Identification
Distance between the tower crane and the derrick crane is	Fall of person: 1. Technicians must use safety belts
6.6 m, the safe working load is 13 tonnes	
	<ul><li>Fall of object:</li><li>1. Enclose the affected area, no access except for tower crane dismantling workers</li><li>2. Hand tools must be tied to the appropriate position with a rope</li></ul>
	<ul><li>Derrick crane overloading:</li><li>1. The derrick crane operator and signaller must ensure the object for hoisting must not exceed the safe working load.</li></ul>

#### **Tower Crane Dismantling Procedures**

#### Steps 7 to 10: Dismantle the four masts



- 1. Use 4 chain slings of suitable length to lift up one mast.
- 2. Loosen the screws connecting the masts with a hydraulic block.
- 3. Use a derrick crane to dismantle the masts and lay them down to the ground one by one.

<b>Important Points</b>	Hazard Identification
Distance between the tower	Fall of person:
crane and the derrick crane is	1. Technicians must use safety belts
6.6 m, the safe working load is	
13 tonnes	
	Fall of object:
	1. Enclose the affected area, no access except for tower crane dismantling workers
	2. Hand tools must be tied to the appropriate position
	with a rope

## **Tower Crane Dismantling Procedures**

Step 11: Dismantle the concrete footing

#### Works Procedures:

- 1. Cut away the outcrop of the concrete footing with oxy-acetylene torch.
- 2. Use a derrick crane to dismantle the cut-off outcrop down on the ground.

<b>i</b> Important Points	Hazard Identification			
	Fire/explosion			
Only oxy-acetylene torch operators with a certificate will be	1. Hot works must be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the hot works safe working procedures.			
allowed to operate the	2. Prepare a fire extinguisher			
oxy-acetylene torch	3. Technicians must use appropriate safety personal protective equipment			

End

# Appendix C.4

# [Specialist Contractor's name]

# **Appointment Letter of Competent Persons**

# of Tower Crane Dismantling

To: ABC construction company

Site Name :

Attention: Safety Officer

As tower crane MD-175 at site xxxx under your company is to be dismantled, the following personnel are appointed Competent Persons for the dismantling works (both of them have 10 years' relevant experience on the model of tower crane of the same series) until completion of the works.

Name	Post	Green Card	<b>Crane Operation</b>	Contact	Site Position
			Certificate	Telephone	
	Competent				Up on the tower
	Person				crane

# [Specialist Contractor's name]

# **Appointment Letter of** Senior/Junior Workmen

To: ABC construction company

Site Name :

Attention: Safety Officer

As tower crane MD-175 at site xxxx under your company is to be dismantled, the following personnel are appointed *senior/junior workmen* until completion of the works.

Name	Post	Types of Certificate Held and their Serial Numbers				
		Green Card Crane		Certificate of	Certificate of	Years of
			Operation	<b>Rigger Safety</b>	Gas Safety	Experience
			Certificate	Operation	Training	
	Senior					
	Workman					
	Senior					
	Workman					
	Junior					
	Workman					
	Junior					
	Workman					

<sup>[</sup>Specialist Contractor's name]

# [Specialist Contractor's name]

# **Workers Engaged in the Dismantling of Tower Crane**

To: ABC construction company

Site Name :

Attention: Safety Officer

The following personnel will attend the works safety meeting before the implementation of works.

Name	Post	Types of Certificate Held and their Serial Numbers				
		Green Card	Crane	Certificate of	Years of	Site Position
			Operation	Rigger Safety	Service	
			Certificate	Operation		
	Senior					
	Workman					
	Senior					
	Workman					
	Senior					
	Workman					
	Junior					
	Workman					

## Annex D

### Qualification and Experience of Site Personnel Engaged in Tower Crane Operations

#### **Competent Person**

## (A) Role

- A competent person supervises the working crew of the operation.
- In height alteration, the competent person operates the hydraulic jack of the climbing gear or telescopic cage of the tower crane.

## (B) Qualification

- Registered Skilled Worker under the Construction Workers Registration Ordinance (CWRO).
- (C) Experience
- At least 10 years of relevant experience; and
- Possesses experience in handling a similar tower crane of the same model line to be operated upon, or attendance of course on familiarization training on a similar tower crane of the same model line.
- (D) Training
- Competent persons should have completed the following courses
  - Safety Training Course For Construction Workers of Specified Trade (Silver Card Course) – Tower Crane Worker (Erecting, Dismantling, Telescoping & Climbing) ("EDTC Course") offered by CICTA; and
  - Training for Tower Crane Competent Person (Erecting, Dismantling, Telescoping & Climbing) offered by CICTA.

- Competent Person in charge of dismantling of a tower crane using derrick crane should also have completed the Certification Course with Imbedded Certification Test for Derrick Crane Operator offered by CICTA
- (E) Competencies
- A Competent Person should be able to
  - brief and instruct his crew to execute the operation in accordance with the method statement;
  - draw the attention of his crew to important safety warnings and precautions stipulated in the manufacturer's manual, method statement, critical parts checklist and risk assessment in particular the parts marked as "Danger", "Cautions" and "Hold Points";
  - response to questions raised by his crew members and provide appropriate directives to them;
  - conduct visual inspection to ascertain the integrity of key components of the tower crane prior to commencement of the operation.

#### Senior workman

- (A) Qualification
- Registered Skilled Worker under CWRO
- (B) Experience
- At least four years of related work experience
- (C) Training
- A senior workman should have completed the following courses organized by CICTA
  - Safety Training Course for Construction Workers of
     Specified Trade (Silver Card Course) Construction
     Materials Rigger ("Rigger Course"); and

- EDTC Course

## Junior Workman

- (A) Qualification
- Registered General Worker under CWRO

## (B) Training

- A junior workman should have completed the following courses organized by CICTA
  - Rigger Course; and
  - EDTC Course
- (C) Supervision
- A junior workman with less than four years of experience should work only under the direct one-to-one supervision of a senior workman.

## **Summary of Recommended Improvement Measures**

Section	Improvement Measures	Implementing parties	Implementation timeframe
and			
subsection			
Ε	Checking before Erection of Tower Crane		
(i)	Pre-delivery checking	Tower crane owners	Upon issue of publication
(ii)	Checking of anchorage	Tower crane owners	Upon issue of publication
		Principal Contractors	
(iii)	Checking of supporting structure	Tower crane owners	Upon issue of publication
		Principal Contractors	
F	Improvement of site supervision		
(i)	Appointment of supervising engineer	Principal Contractors	Upon issue of publication
(ii)	Risk assessment and method statement	Principal Contractors	Already implemented
		Specialist Contractors	
(iii)	Pre-installation checking	Principal contractors	Upon issue of publication
(iv)	Pre-operation checking	Principal contractors	Upon issue of publication
		Specialist Contractors	
(v)	Pre-use verification	Principal contractors	Already implemented
G	Qualification and experience of specialist	Principal contractors	Upon issue of publication
	contractors	Specialist contractors	
H	Training and experience of competent	Principal contractors	Already implemented <sup>2</sup>
	persons and workmen	Specialist contractors	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Of the main text

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Except for Training for Tower Crane Competent Person (Erecting, Dismantling, Telescoping & Climbing), which will be implemented in six months after its launching

Appendix C

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## **Publication No. xx**

### Guidelines on Site Safety Measures for Working in Hot Weather

#### Purpose

This publication provides guidance to contractors on the measure that may be taken to protect the safety of site personnel working under hot weather.

#### Introduction

2. The hot and humid summers in Hong Kong may lead to working under high temperatures on construction sites. It will therefore be crucial to take appropriate safety measures to protect site personnel from hot weather. Ideally, these measures should be linked to heat stress on workers (i.e. the physical and physiological reactions of the worker to temperatures that fall outside normal comfort zone) measured by parameters such as Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT). As further development works are required for adopting such system in Hong Kong, this publication is introduced in the interim to set out some of the good practices that may be readily implemented by contractors during the summer months to enhance the safety of site personnel. CIC will conduct further research on assessment of heat stress and may refine the guidelines in future.

#### (A) Role of client organizations

3. Client organizations should render supports to their contractors for implementing these guidelines and are encouraged to mandate their adoption by incorporation into contractual provisions. Client organizations should consider taking an equitable approach in incorporating appropriate contractual provisions for granting extension of time for delays resulting from unusual hot weather and in assessing requests for extensions of time made for such delays.

## (B) Role of contractors

4. Contractors should establish safe systems of working in hot weather (making reference to the good practices in this publication where appropriate) and provide adequate training, information, instruction and supervision to workers and site supervisors to facilitate

and ensure its adoption. Furthermore, as the guidelines are not intended to be exhaustive, contractors should determine the safety measures to be implemented for working in hot weather through the risk assessment procedures outlined at Annex A.

## (C) Role of workers and site supervisors

5. Workers and site supervisors should take note and observe the provisions of the guidelines which are relevant to them (for example wearing light-coloured clothing).

## **Risks of Working in Hot Weather**

6. The common heat-related disorders are –

- heat syncope (fainting)
- heat exhaustion
- heat stroke

7. Heat syncope occurs when blood pools in the lower parts of the body causing a temporary reduction in blood supply to the brain and hence a transient loss of consciousness.

8. Heat exhaustion results from high body temperature caused by reduction of blood flow and could drive up core body temperature to 39°C. The reduction of blood flow may result from dehydration under hot conditions or extremely fast heartbeat caused by high temperature and intense physical labour.

9. The symptoms of heat exhaustion are –

- tiredness, thirst, dizziness
- numbness or tingling in fingers and toes
- breathlessness, palpitations and low blood pressure
- blurred vision, headache, nausea and fainting
- clammy skin that may be either pale or flushed
- lowering of mental alertness

10. Heat stroke occurs when the core body temperature approaches 41°C thus affecting the co-ordination of the nervous system and thermal regulation mechanism. Heat stroke carries a high risk of fatality from cardiac or respiratory arrest and must be treated as a medical emergency.

- 11. Symptoms of heat stroke includes
  - thirst, fatigue and lethargy
  - nausea and headache
  - fainting and transient loss of consciousness
  - clammy skin and paleness
  - weak and rapid pulse, and uncontrolled muscular contractions even muscle cramps

12. While the symptoms of heat stroke may be similar to other less severe heat-related disorders, its onset may be sudden and dramatic.

#### Safety Measures for Working in Hot Weather

- 13. <u>Work arrangements</u>
  - (a) avoid working in hot environment for prolonged periods of time;
  - (b) take heed of weather report (including very hot weather warning);
  - (c) reschedule works to cooler periods (such as early morning) and cooler places (such as sheltered or shaded area) in so far as possible;
  - (d) schedule works requiring use of personal protective equipment (PPE) such as breathing apparatus, apron, long sleeve gloves to cooler times of the day;
  - (e) enable workers to adapt to the hot environment before taking on full workload;
  - (f) reduce the physical demand on workers by minimizing manual work through use of mechanical aids (such as tractors, forklifts, electric saws, mechanical hoists);
  - (g) avoid working under direct sunlight. Where this is not possible
    - (i) provide shade/shelter where possible on ground level or each exposed floor; and

- (ii) ask workers to apply sunscreen of sun protection factor not less than 15 on any exposed skin;
- (h) avoid working in enclosed areas with poor ventilation. Where this is not possible –
  - (i) keep workers away from heat sources or, where this is not possible, insulate the heat sources to minimize heat emission;
  - (ii) remove hot air from the works area by exhaust pipes or other suitable means; and
  - (iii) ventilate the works area by using fans or blowers.

#### 14. Work break cycle and cool down facilities

- (a) enable workers to cool down and reduce their exposure to hot environment through taking regular breaks and rotating duties and worksites;
- (b) make arrangements for workers to rest in cool and shady place during hot periods;
- (c) provide shower and washing facilities for washing and external cooling; and
- (d) provide cooling devices such as cooling fans with atomized water spray.
- 15. <u>Drinks</u>
  - (a) provide sufficient cool (10-15°C) drinking water at easily accessible drinking points;
  - (b) encourage workers to take plenty of water to replenish the body fluid and electrolytes lost through sweating. In general, a worker will need to drink at least half a litre of water each hour while working under hot weather. However, drinks designed to replace body fluids should be consumed only in moderation since excess can result in electrolytes imbalance;

- (c) prohibit consumption of alcoholic drinks which could dehydrate the body; and
- (d) avoid drinks containing caffeine (such as tea or coffee) which are a diuretic and may aggravate loss of body fluids.

#### 16. <u>Clothing and protective equipment</u>

- (a) encourage workers to keep their shirt or other top on and to wear clothing that is
  - (i) light-coloured (to minimize heat absorption and enhance heat dissipation);
  - loose-fitting (to enhance perspiration. However, clothing that is too loose are not suitable because of the risk of entangling in the moving parts of machines);
  - (iii) made of natural materials (to enhance heat dissipation); and
  - (iv) long-sleeved (to minimize exposure of the skin to sunlight when working outdoors);
- (b) encourage the use of naturally ventilated helmet to enhance perspiration; and
- (c) encourage the use of helmet with broad brim to provide better shade to the face, neck and back.
- 17. <u>Health of workers</u>
  - (a) train supervisors and workers to recognize symptoms of heat-related disorders;
  - (b) ask workers to inform their supervisors immediately upon sensing or observing any symptoms of heat-related disorders; and
  - (c) avoid assigning workers who may have difficulties in coping with heat to work under hot environment taking advice of their attending doctors into account;

### 18. First aid procedures and facilities

- (a) develop first aid and emergency procedures and provide appropriate training on these to site supervisors and workers through talks and regular drills;
- (b) provide first aid immediately to any workers who show symptoms of heat-related disorders following the procedures at Annex B.

#### Annex A

#### **Guidelines for Risk Assessment for Heat Stress**

#### Introduction

In planning and executing construction works, duty holders (i.e. the main contractor or its subcontractor in direct control of any construction works) should assess the risks resulting from hot weather and take appropriate measures to protect site personnel from heat stress through risk assessment procedures outlined below.

#### **Risk Assessment Procedures**

#### (A) Assessment of Risks

2. Duty holders should identify risks that may affect construction personnel, their likelihood of occurrence and their possible consequences taking into account all relevant factors, including –

- (a) the capability, skill, experience and age of people doing the work;
- (b) the nature and location of construction operations;
- (c) the work practices;
- (d) the anticipated durations of working;
- (e) the type of plant, machinery and equipment to be used;
- (f) findings of inspection of the workplace and direct observation of similar construction works;
- (g) discussion with workers;
- (h) records of accidents and "near misses";
- (i) advice and literature provided by equipment and material suppliers;

- (j) relevant legislations and related codes of practice, international standards and guidelines issued by industry organizations; and
- (k) relevant research findings.

3. The following factors are particularly relevant to risk assessment for heat stress –

- (a) high temperature resulting from work in hot weather, or heat generated by plant and machinery;
- (b) exposure to direct sunlight;
- (c) high humidity resulting from humid weather or plant or processes generating moisture;
- (d) insufficient ventilation in enclosed areas;
- (e) heavy physical work; and
- (f) wearing of protective clothing which affect heat dissipation from the body.

4. The risks identified should be summarized in the form of list containing the following details to facilitate development of a safety plan –

- (a) the nature of the risks;
- (b) the locations where they will be encountered;
- (c) factors giving rise to the risks; and
- (d) personnel which will be affected.

## (B) Mitigation of risks

5. Duty holders should mitigate the risks of heat stress by implementing appropriate control measures in the following hierarchy of control adopting measures in the higher tiers in so far as possible –

- (a) elimination of risks for example by re-scheduling the construction works, using mechanical aid to replace manual work and providing adequate ventilation for enclosed environment;
- (b) reduction of risks for example by using equipment that generate less heat to reduce the temperature of the works area;
- (c) administrative controls and safe work practices for example by providing appropriate training and work instructions; and
- (d) personal protective equipment for example provision of light clothing or face shields.

## (C) Monitoring and Review

6. The findings of risk assessment process and the risk mitigations measures should be monitored and reviewed regularly to ensure their validity and effectiveness. Review should be conducted upon the occurrence of the following events –

- (a) an injury or illness occurs resulting from heat stress;
- (b) availability of evidence that the risk assessment is no longer valid; and
- (c) significant changes in location of works, work practices, or work procedures.

7. Changes should be made to the risk mitigation measures taking into account the findings of the review where appropriate.

### Annex B

## First Aid to Workers Showing Symptoms of Heat-Related Disorders

- Move the patient to a cooler place.
- Lower his body temperature by
  - removing his clothes
  - wipe his body with a towel soaked in cold water
  - fan the patient.
- If the patient is unconscious, place him in a recovery position.
- DO NOT give the patient any food or drink whether he is conscious or not.
- Send the patient to hospital as soon as possible.

Appendix D

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# Publication xx Guidelines on Safety of Site Vehicles and Mobile Plant

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## **Publication xx**

## Guidelines on Safety of Vehicles and Mobile Plant on Construction Site

### Purpose

This publication provides guidelines to contractors and subcontractors in direct control of any construction works (*duty holder*) on measures for enhancing the safety of vehicles and mobile plant operating on construction sites.

## Introduction

2. The increase of fatal accidents caused by site vehicles and mobile plant in recent years has given rise to concerns on striking/trapping hazards posed by site vehicles and mobile plant particularly during reversing.

3. Duty holders are encouraged to take a holistic approach in protecting site personnel from hazards resulting from site vehicles and mobile plant through proper planning, adoption of safe working procedures, providing proper training for construction personnel and installation of appropriate safety devices on site vehicles and mobile plant. This publication sets out the good practices on these aspects for reference by industry stakeholders. *For the avoidance of doubt, adoption of these practices alone may not necessarily be sufficient for complying with the relevant statutory provisions on site safety including any obligations to undertake risk assessment and provide safe systems of work.* 

## **Safety Measures**

4. The following measures may be adopted for enhancing the safety of operation of site vehicles and mobile plant –

- (a) risk assessment;
- (b) design of site layout;
- (c) reversing video device (RVD);

- (d) other reversing safety devices;
- (e) safe working procedures; and
- (f) training of construction personnel.

### (A) Risk assessment

5. Duty holders are encouraged to conduct risk assessments to identify the risks resulting from site vehicles and mobile plant, assess their likelihood and possible consequences taking into account all relevant circumstances including –

- (a) locations of ingress and egress points for vehicles;
- (b) layout of traffic routes on the site;
- (c) movements of site vehicles and mobile plant in works areas and loading/unloading areas; and
- (d) movement of workers and other personnel within the site.

6. Appropriate measures should be taken to deal with the hazards identified in the above process giving due consideration to their likelihood and possible consequences. These measures include –

- (a) elimination of the risk (such as obviating the need for reversing by providing drive-through circulation routes); or
- (b) where the risks could not be eliminated, mitigate them at source with engineering controls or minimize the risks with designing suitable safe systems of work. For instance, where reversing cannot be avoided the reversing vehicle or plant should be guided by a banksman or equipped with RVD.

## (B) Design of site layout

7. Duty holders should properly design site layout and traffic circulation routes so as to minimize the hazards resulting from site

vehicles and mobile plant following the guidelines in the following paragraphs and other relevant statutory provisions and practices.

8. <u>Minimizing movements</u> - Movements of vehicles and plant on construction sites should be minimized through appropriate measures including –

- (a) controlling entry of vehicles into site through gates and barriers;
- (b) providing parking spaces away from works areas; and
- (c) locating loading and unloading areas on the periphery of construction sites.

9. <u>Safety of pedestrians</u> – Appropriate facilities should be provided to facilitate safe movement of personnel within the site including –

- (a) pedestrian-only routes;
- (b) clear demarcation of pedestrian routes by barrier;
- (c) grade-separated pedestrian crossing points;
- (d) at-grade pedestrian crossing points with facilities (such as traffic light signals) for controlling pedestrian and traffic flows; and
- (e) wearing of high-visibility safety vests.
- 10. <u>Reversing movements</u>
  - (a) reversing movements should be minimized by providing, where possible, drive-through circulation routes;
  - (b) where reversing is unavoidable, turning heads should be provided and banksmen should be deployed to guide reversing vehicles and plant where necessary; and

- (c) steps should be taken to ensure that banksmen wear highvisibility safety vests and use walkie-talkie or similar equipment for effective communication.
- 11. <u>Speed limits</u>
  - (a) speed limits should be imposed on traffic routes through erecting speed limit signs; and
  - (b) road humps or other similar devices should be provided to prevent speeding.

## (C) Installation of RVD

12. Duty holders are encouraged to install RVD to provide drivers and operators with rear-side views through closed circuit television (CCTV) system with camera mounted on the rear of vehicles and plant to capture the rear-side view for display on a monitor usually installed in front of the driver and operator.

13. Annex A sets out the findings on the assessment of the need and suitability for installation of RVD on site vehicles and mobile plant commonly used on local construction sites which may be summarized as follows –

- (a) 12 types of vehicles/plant for which installation is not recommended for various reasons such as vibration which could affect the functioning of RVD;
- (b) 27 types of vehicles/plant for which installation is recommended. Out of these
  - (i) 16 types of vehicles/plant which are licensed to operate on public roads are covered by the guidelines published by Transport Department on RVD and are not therefore covered by this publication; and

 (ii) 11 types of vehicles/plant which are used on construction sites only and are therefore covered by this publication.

14. The guidelines for installation of RVD on the types of vehicles/plant referred to in paragraph 14(b)(ii) above are included at Annex B.

## (D) Other reversing safety devices

15. RVD may be complemented by other reversing safety devices including –

- (a) cross view mirror;
- (b) parking sensor (reading / indicator or sound); and
- (c) reversing alarm and warning light.

#### (E) Safe working procedures

16. Duty holders should formulate safe working procedures in relation to the operation of site vehicles and mobile plant on the basis of the guidelines at Annex C.

#### (F) Training of site personnel

17. Apart from basic training, duty holders should also provide the following types of training specific to vehicles and plant –

- (a) job-specific induction and refresher training to drivers and operators for safe operation of vehicles and plant;
- (b) courses on safe operation for managers and supervisors;
- (c) briefing for drivers, operators and workers on the traffic routes and rules on site; and
- (d) job-specific training for banksmen covering safety rules and instructions on site traffic and communication system.

## Assessment of Need and Suitability for Installing RVD on Common Site Vehicles and Mobile Plant

	Site Vehicle and Mobile Plant	Installation of CCTV	Remarks
1	Excavation, site formation and roadworks		
1.1	Bulldozer	Recommended	
1.2	Excavator, tracked		
1.3	Excavator, wheeled		
1.4	Loader, wheeled		
1.5	Loader, tracked		
1.6	Grader		
1.7	Scraper		
1.8	Tractor		
1.9	Road planer		
1.10	Road miller		
1.11	Dump truck, gross vehicle weight > 38 tonne Dump truck, 5.5 tonne < gross	Recommended	The guidelines at Annex B do not apply to this type of vehicle/plant
	vehicle weight $\leq 38$ tonne		since they are also used on public roads and are therefore covered by the guidelines published by Transport Department for RVD.
1.13	Breaker, excavator mounted (pneumatic)	Not recommended	Excessive vibration generated by
1.14	Breaker, excavator mounted (hydraulic)		rock/concrete breaking may cause frequent
1.15	Rock drill, crawler mounted (pneumatic)		malfunctioning of RVD
1.16	Rock drill, crawler mounted (hydraulic)		
1.17	Dump truck with grab, 5.5 tonne < gross vehicle weight $\leq 38$ toone		
1.18	Asphalt paver	Not recommended	Install RVD is not practical to the plant function
1.19	Road roller	Not recommended	Without confined control cabin
1.20	Roller, vibratory	Not recommended	Without confined control cabin
1.21	Locomotive (run on track)	Not recommended	Its use on railway should have specific safety measures to prevent or abate hazard of workers

	Site Vehicle and Mobile Plant	Installation of CCTV	Remarks
			getting into the railway line.
1.22	Ballast regulating machine (run on track)		Ditto
2	Piling Works		
2.1	Crane, mobile	Recommended	
3.	Concreting		
3.1	Concrete lorry mixer	Recommended	The guidelines in the
3.2	Concrete pump, lorry mounted		Annex B do not apply to this type of vehicle/plant since they are also used on public roads and are therefore covered by the guidelines published by Transport Department for RVD.
4	Lifting / Transportation		
4.1	Lorry	Recommended	The guidelines in the
4.2	Lorry, gross vehicle weight $> 38$		Annex B do not apply to
4.3	tonne Lorry, 5.5 tonne < gross vehicle		since they are also used on public roads and are
4.4	$C_{rane}$ mobile (diesel)		therefore covered by the
4.5	Light goods vehicle, gross vehicle weight $\leq 5.5$ tonne		guidelines published by Transport Department for
4.6	Lorry, with crane/ grab, gross vehicle weight > 38 tonne		RVD.
4.7	Lorry, with crane/ grab, 5.5 tonne < gross vehicle weight $\leq$ 38 tonne		
4.8	Pick up truck		
5	Others		
5.1	Water truck	Recommended	The guidelines in the
5.2	Road sweeper		Annex B do not apply to
5.3	Pressure tanker		this type of vehicle/plant
5.4	Tipper		since they are also used on public roads and are therefore covered by the guidelines published by Transport Department for RVD.
5.5	Forklift truck	Not recommended	These are small machines
5.6	Dumper		without confined control cabin

#### Annex B

## **Installation of RVD**

### Purpose

This Annex provides guidance on the installation of RVD on site vehicles and mobile plant.

#### Scope

18. The guidance given in this Annex applies to the following types of vehicles and mobile plant which -

- (a) Bulldozer
- (b) Excavator, tracked
- (c) Excavator, wheeled
- (d) Loader, wheeled
- (e) Loader, tracked
- (f) Grader
- (g) Scraper
- (h) Tractor
- (i) Road planer
- (j) Road miller
- (k) Crane, mobile, wheeled & tracked

#### **Typical RVD**

- 19. A typical RVD consist of
  - A wide angle camera lens of horizontal angle of vision about 120 effective angle or more and vertical angle of vision 70 effective angle or more.
  - A monitor with diagonal size of 130 mm or more.



Figure 1 – Typical RVD



Figure 2 – Typical Image Displayed on Monitor

## **Requirements for RVD**

20. RVD installation should provide drivers/operators with the following minimum visibility envelop –  $% \left( \frac{1}{2}\right) =0$ 

- longitudinal coverage – 3.2 m from rearmost of the vehicle/plant;

- lateral coverage overall width of plant plus 0.5 m on each side;
- height of object detected any object 0.3 m above ground in the visibility envelop



21. The recommended visibility envelop is illustrated in the following figure.

Figure 3 – Visibility Envelop (Source: "A Guide for the installation of Devices to Assist Reversing of Good Vehicles" published by Transport Department)

22. Cameras should be water and dust proof. Infrared cameras should be used in order to detect rear images reliably when used in environment of low illumination or night vision.

23. The image captured by the camera should be displayed automatically on the monitor upon engaging the backward gear.

## **Guidance on Installation**

#### (A) Camera

24. The camera should be installed at a height not less than 1.5 m as shown in Figure 4. Otherwise more than one camera may be required to achieve the required visibility.



Figure 4 – Single camera setup for excavator

25. Appropriate mounting frame shall be provided for installing and protecting the camera as shown on Figure 5.



Figure 5 – Mounting Frame for Camera

## (B) Monitor

26. The monitor should be installed in operator's cabin at location easily visible to operator and shall not obstruct vision of normal operation as shown on Figure 6.



Figure 6 – Position for Monitor

# (C) Wiring

27. All wiring and conduits should be adequately protected from chafing and short-circuit.

### Safe Working Procedures

### Purpose

This Annex sets out the safe working procedures for operating site vehicles and mobile plant.

### Procedures

- 2. <u>Authorization of drivers and operators</u>
  - (a) only authorized drivers and operators with proper training and qualification should be allowed to operate site vehicles and mobile plant; and
  - (b) the list of authorized drivers and operators should be affixed to vehicles and plant where possible.
- 3. <u>Preparation for starting work</u>
  - (a) drivers and operators should conduct pre-use check in accordance with prescribed procedures to ensure fitness of vehicles and plant for use; and
  - (b) if RVD is installed, drivers and operators should also ascertain that it is in reasonably good working conditions, in particular the legibility of the image on the monitor.

#### 4. <u>Vehicles and plant in operation</u>

- (a) drivers and operator should check around before starting to starting any vehicles and plant;
- (b) when vehicles and plant are traveling, drivers and operators should
  - (i) look in the direction of travel particularly in reversing;
  - (ii) keep to designated vehicle routes;

- (iii) drive at safe speeds; and
- (iv) follow directions indicated on traffic signs and made by signalers;
- (c) in performing loading/unloading operations, drivers and operators should
  - (i) load and unload on level ground with the parking brake applied and outriggers fully extended (where applicable); and
  - (ii) where this is not possible, choke the rear wheels and turn the front wheels towards the kerb (when facing downhill) or away from the kerb (when facing uphill) on parking, and engage the first gear and stay at the wheels.

5. End of working day – At the end of the working day, drivers and operators should –

- (a) park in designated parking space which is reasonably level and sufficiently remote from edges of excavations, pits, spoil heaps and sea fronts where possible; and
- (b) where appropriate retract the jib, or lower the arm or bucket onto the ground.

## Appendix E

## <u>Work Plan</u>

## (I) Informal Task Force on Tower Cranes

Milestone	Task	Deliverable
2 Apr 2008	Committee to endorsement of Guidelines on Safety of Tower Cranes by	
2 May 2008	CIC to endorse guidelines for promulgation	Approved guidelines

## (II) Informal Task Force on Site Vehicles and Mobile Plant

Milestone	Task	Deliverable
2 Apr 2008	Committee to endorse Guidelines on Safety of Site Vehicles and Mobile Plant	
2 May 2008	CIC to endorse guidelines for promulgation	Approved guidelines

## (III) Informal Task Force on Working in Hot Weather

## (A) Initial Guidelines on Site Safety of Working in Hot Weather

Milestone	Task	Deliverable
2 Apr 2008	Committee to endorsement of Guidelines on Site Safety of Working in Hot Weather	
2 May 2008	CIC to endorsement of guidelines for promulgation	Approved guidelines

## (B) Improvement of guidelines

Milestone	Task	Deliverable
Jun – Jul 2008	Formulate brief for study to develop methods for assessing thermal stress and relating it with safety measures	Study brief
Aug 2008	Select consultant for study	
Sep – Dec 2008	• Conduct study on thermal stress	Consultant's recommendations
	• Collect feedback on guidelines	Feedback on guidelines
Jan – Feb 2009	Review of consultant's recommendation and feedback on guidelines by Task Force to determine the way forward for revising the guidelines	Way forward
Mar – Apr 2009	Revise of guidelines for promulgation before summer of 2009	Revised guidelines

## (IV) Informal Task Force on Behaviourial Aspects of Site Safety

Milestone	Task	Deliverable
May – Jun 2008	CIC Secretariat to revise guidelines	Guidelines
Jul 2008	Task Force to consider guidelines	
Aug 2008	Committee to endorse guidelines	
	CIC to endorse guidelines for promulgation	Approved guidelines

## (V) Informal Task Force on Permanent Safety Features

(A) Gondolas and service platforms

Milestone	Task	Deliverable
Apr - Jul 2008	Task Force to discuss with BD, Lands D and LD on the exemption of enclosures of gondolas from calculation of height restriction and the exemption of service platforms from calculations of accountable floor areas	
Aug 2008	Committee to consider outcome of discussions and formulate proposal on way forward	Proposal on way forward

## (B) Cast-in anchorage points

Milestone	Task	Deliverable
May 2008	Secretariat to discuss with BD the work plan for developing technical standards for cast-in anchorage points.	Work plan
Jun 2008	Task Force to consider work plan	

## (VI) Informal Task Force on Co-operation with Property Management Companies

## (A) Simplified checklist for frontline property management staff

Milestone	Task	Deliverable
Apr 2008	HKAPMC to consult their members on the simplified checklist for use by their frontline staff for detecting unsafe working conditions and for making referrals to LD	Checklist for detecting unsafe working conditions
Mid 2008	Finalization of checklist for promulgation	

## (B) Leaflet on responsibility of individual building owners

Milestone	Task	Deliverable
Apr 2008	LD to revise leaflet taking into account comments made by Members of the Task Force	Revised draft
Jun 2008	Task Force to consider revised draft	
Aug 2008	Committee to comment on leaflet	
	LD to revise and promulgate leaflet	Finalized leaflet

## (VII) Pay for Safety Scheme (PFSS)

(A) Incorporation of features of PFSS into the Safety Management System (SMS)

Milestone	Task	Deliverable
May 2008	Secretariat to discuss with LD on the features of PFSS suitable for incorporation into the SMS and formulate proposal on way forward	List of suitable features and proposal for incorporation into SMS
	Committee to consider proposal for incorporation of features of PFSS into SMS	
Jun 2008	Secretariat to formulate revised proposal through further discussion with LD	Revised proposal
Aug 2008	Committee to consider revised proposal	

# (B) Financial incentive for PFSS

Milestone	Task	Deliverable
May 2008	Secretariat to discuss with HKFI on ways for providing financial incentive for site adopting PFSS	Ways for providing financial incentives
	Committee to consider proposal for providing finance incentives	

# (C) Extension of PFSS to subvented projects

Milestone	Task	Deliverable
May – Jul 2008	DEVB to consider the possibility of extending PFSS to subvented projects	
Aug 2008	DEVB to advise Committee on whether PFSS can be extended to subvented projects	

# (VIII) Site Safety Training for Construction Personnel

Milestone	Task	Deliverable
Sep - Oct 2008	Committee to review the implementation of the recommendations of the former PCICB Working Group on Construction Site Safety and Employees' Compensation Insurance on tightening the control on providers of green card courses, mandating silver card training for risk-prone trades through contractual provisions and improving safety training for front-line supervisors	Findings of review
Nov – Dec 2008	Committee to identify further improvement measures	Further improvement measures