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<u>CIC Publishes Guidelines on Safety of Lift Shaft Works:</u> <u>Volume 3 – Throughout the Occupation Stage of Building (Version 2)</u>

Hong Kong • 30 August 2019 - The Construction Industry Council (CIC) today released the *Guidelines on Safety of Lift Shaft Works: Volume 3 – Throughout the Occupation Stage of Building (Version 2)* (Guidelines). The Guidelines focus on the precautionary measures recommended for enhancing the safety of lift works throughout the occupation period.

To further enhance the work safety in relation to lift works, the robust procedures for verifying the function of the Landing Door Lock, Emergency Stop and related precautionary measures have been newly included in the Guidelines. Reference has been made to *Code of Practice for Lift Works and Escalator Works (2018 Edition)* published by Electrical and Mechanical Services Department in the revision of the Guidelines. The revised Guidelines have included the following:

- (a) additional general precautions in implementing Lift Works;
- (b) additional safety measures for working inside a Lift Pit;
- (c) additional safety measures for working on the Lift Car Top; and
- (d) a new flow chart (Entering Lift Shaft Safe Working Procedure Flow Chart).

Ms. Ada FUNG, Chairperson of the Task Force on Site Safety of Working in Lift Shaft under the Committee on Construction Safety of the CIC said, "For lift shaft works in the occupation stage of a building, apart from the precautionary measures required to be implemented by the Lift Contractor to protect the safety of the occupants, workers and other personnel, the Lift Contractor, Lift Workers, Responsible Person and the Management Company must closely liaise and work together to ensure the works can be carried out safely.



The Guidelines on Safety of Lift Shaft Works (Volume 3 – Throughout the Occupation Stage of Building) - Version 2 can be downloaded from CIC's website: http://www.cic.hk

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About the Construction Industry Council

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed in 2007 under the Construction Industry Council Ordinance (Cap. 587). The CIC consists of a chairman and 24 members representing various sectors of the industry including employers, professionals, academics, contractors, workers, independent persons and Government officials.

The main functions of the CIC are to forge consensus on long-term strategic issues, convey the industry's needs and aspirations to the Government, provide professional training and registration services, and serve as a communication channel between the Government and the construction industry.

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