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A New Publication of the Construction Industry Council
“Technical Guidelines on the Design, Installation & Maintenance of
Cast-in Anchors at External Walls of New Buildings”

Hong Kong • 8 July 2011 – The Construction Industry Council (CIC) today released a new publication entitled “Technical Guidelines on the Design, Installation & Maintenance of Cast-in Anchors at External Walls of New Buildings” (the Guidelines). The Guidelines offer practical advice in relation to cast-in anchors, a safety device that helps prevent falls from height during external repair and maintenance works.

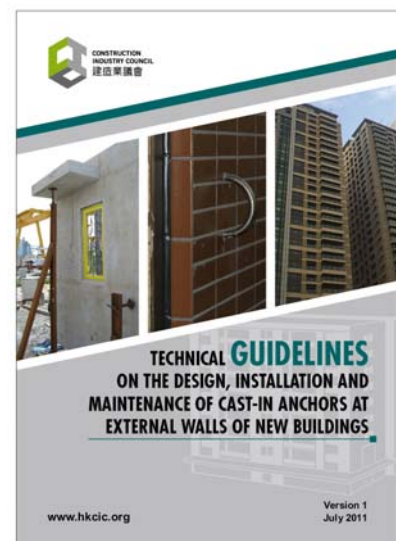
Introduction

The Director of Buildings issued PNAP ADV-14 in February 2010 advising Authorised Persons (AP) and Registered Structural Engineers (RSE) to install gondolas in new buildings to facilitate external inspection and building maintenance. To further enhance safety for workers carrying out external maintenance and repair works of existing buildings, the CIC considers that AP and RSE should also be advised to provide cast-in anchors in the design and construction of new buildings, which forms the background to the development of the Guidelines.

Publication of the Guidelines

Mr CHEUNG Hau-wai, Chairman of the Committee on Construction Site Safety (Com-CSS) of the CIC said, “The Guidelines cover important information regarding the location, design, installation and maintenance of cast-in anchors at external walls of new buildings. Hopefully they will help reduce the number of fall-related injuries on construction sites and further ensure worker safety in the future”.

The Guidelines are available for download at the CIC’s official website <www.hkcic.org>.



Technical Guidelines on the Design, Installation & Maintenance of Cast-in Anchors at External Walls of New Buildings (Version 1, July 2011)

About the Construction Industry Council

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed on 1 February 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 Government, provide training for construction workforce and serve as a communication channel for Government to solicit advice on all construction-related matters.

To learn more about the CIC, please visit website <www.hkcic.org> for further details.

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