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Visioning Enhancement in Registration Requirements
"Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme" to Include
"Levelling and Setting Out" from March

Hong Kong • 28 February 2023 – With effect from 1 March 2023, the Construction Industry Council (CIC) will include "Levelling and Setting Out" as the 12th designated trade under the "Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme" (the Scheme) to continuously expand the Scheme. At the same time, registration requirements for the first eight designated trades (i.e. Concreting, Concreting Formwork, Curtain Wall, Demolition, Erection of Concrete Precast Component, Reinforcement Bar Fixing, Scaffolding and Plastering) will be elevated and the regulatory mechanism will be optimised. The enhancement measures will effectively uplift the comprehensive capabilities as well as demonstrate the professionalism of the registered specialist trade contractors.

As one of the supporting measures for "Construction 2.0" Campaign promoting professionalism of subcontractors, the Scheme has been receiving strong supports from the industry over the past years. Encouraging response is noted from the Development Bureau and public organisations such as Hong Kong Housing Authority, Hong Kong Airport Authority and MTR Corporation Limited which mandatorily require their construction projects to adopt the Scheme. Since its launch in 2019, the Scheme has expanded from the initial seven to now twelve designated trades and more designated trades will soon be added. The six core elements for registration requirements will also be continuously optimised, namely safety, management, job experience, execution, finance and integrity management. Key measures include the requirement of Group 2 registered companies to lift the qualifications and increase the number of dedicated safety and management personnel; appointment of Building Information Modelling Viewers; and participation in industry worker trainings etc.

The integrity management registration requirement has been fully implemented since 1 January 2023. All registered companies must submit at least one hour of integrity training records for their management staff when renewing their registrations. Through a series of enhancement measures, the Scheme will effectively help outstanding registered specialist trade contractors in creating a brand name of high-quality, striving to professionalism and improving corporate governance by eliminating misconducts, so as to help them prepare well to seize the development opportunities in the impending golden decade for the construction industry.



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The CIC regularly organises online induction workshops to help stakeholders understand registration requirements and transition arrangements for different designated trades. For enrolment and details, please visit the Scheme's website (www.rstc.cic.hk) or scan the below QR code.





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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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