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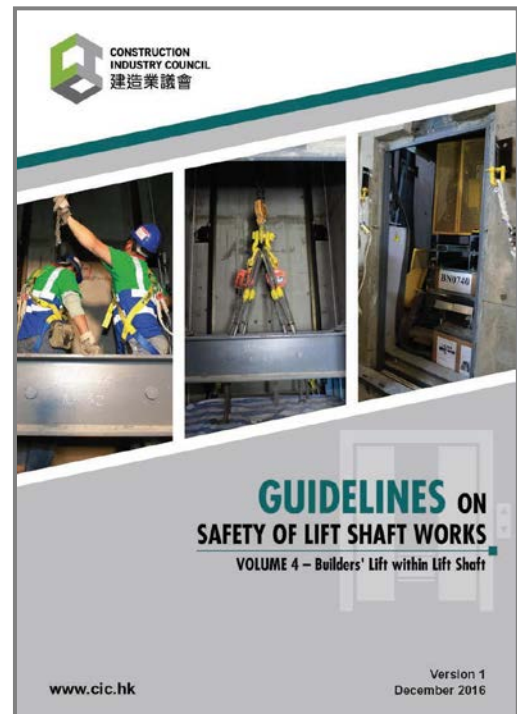
### **Construction Industry Council Publishes 'Guidelines on Safety of Lift Shaft Works (Volume 4 - Builders' Lift within Lift Shaft)'**

**Hong Kong • 21 December 2016** – The Construction Industry Council (CIC) today released a new publication entitled '*Guidelines on Safety of Lift Shaft Works (Volume 4 – Builders' Lift within Lift Shaft)*' (Guidelines). The Guidelines focus on setting out the good practices recommended by the CIC to provide technical guidance and safety requirements to promote the safe use of the Builders' Lifts during the construction period.

#### **Key Points**

The Guidelines set out the good practices for enhancing work safety of personnel working near or inside Builders' Lift (within lift shaft). The Guidelines cover the following key issues:

- Planning of Builder's Lift Work
- General Safety Precautions for Builders' Lift Work
- Risk Assessment and Method Statement
- Installation Sequence and Specific Precautions for Builders' Lift Work
- Emergency Operation
- Implementation of Permit-to-Work System
- Provision of Effective Communication System
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Safety and Health Training
- From User/Others' Perspective



Ms. Ada FUNG, Chairperson of the Committee on Construction Safety said, "Safety of construction personnel is of paramount importance to our industry. These guidelines aim to promote safe practices for Builders' Lift Work, with reference to the core ingredients of

a safe system of work principles of risk assessment and elimination, hazard reduction, accident prevention and protection of occupants, workers and other personnel.”

“In developing and implementing a safe system for any Builders’ Lift Work, the Main Contractor and the Lift Contractor should also comply with the advices as stipulated in the Code of Practice on the Design and Construction of Builders’ Lifts, and to follow other requirements governing the safety aspects of Builders’ Lift Work stipulated under the relevant Ordinances, Regulations, Codes of Practice and Circulars,” she added.

The Guidelines along with the first three volumes are available for download at the CIC website [www.cic.hk](http://www.cic.hk).

### **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, to provide professional training and registration services, and to serve as a communication channel between the Government and the construction industry.

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