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INTRODUCTION

SECTION 1. GENERAL

This Code of Practice is intended to embrace all aspects of work connected with every phase of building operations. The standards laid down and the procedures described are the minimum to be complied with in order to achieve the desired standard of safety for every person connected with the building industry and also, equally important, the safety of the public.

SECTION 2. SCOPE

This Code of Practice is intended to apply only to ordinary building construction and contains the basic requirements for the operations usually encountered in such work. Requirements for heavy or specialized types of work such as dam construction, river and revetment works, electric transmission line construction, and such like are excluded from this Code. All existing legislation are not intended to be superseded by this Code.

SECTION 3. INTERPRETATION AND EXCEPTIONS

The purpose of this Code is to offer regulations and requirements which, if followed, will provide a reasonable standard of safety on a building site. As conditions will vary from one construction site to another, the requirements of the Code may be liberally construed, and where practical difficulties are encountered, it is intended that the responsible authority will grant exceptions from the literal requirements of the Code, or will permit the use of alternative methods or devices provided that the standard of safety thus secured is not lowered.

Where ever this Code allocates specified responsibilities to persons, it is understood that they may delegate the execution of these responsibilities to supervisors in charge of the work.

SECTION 4. MANDATORY AND ADVISORY RULES

Mandatory rules of this Code are characterised by the work 'shall'. If a rule is of an advisory nature, it is indicated by the word 'should' or is stated as a recommendation.

FOREWORD

This Malaysian Standard Code of Practice has been prepared by the Technical Committee on Use of Building Materials under the Codes of Practice Standards Committee.

This Code of Practice represents a standard of good practice and takes the form of recommendations. Compliance with it does not confer immunity from relevant legal requirements including byelaws.