

室內空氣質素資訊中心通訊第 2 期

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《室內空氣質素檢定證書簽發機構》認可計劃

環境保護署及香港認可處於2006年7月20日,聯合宣布推行《室內空氣質素檢定證書簽發機構》認可計劃。 該項新認可計劃將會認可《室內空氣質素檢定證書簽發機構》,並會取代現行簽發室內空氣質素檢定證書的註冊專業工程師。只有經香港檢驗機構認可計劃認可的機構才有資格簽發室內空氣質素檢驗報告和證書。在 2006年5月,香港認可處高級認可主任張展強先生曾經在 "優質室內空氣質素專獎典禮暨講座"簡介了這項認可計劃的執行細節。



香港認可處高級認可主任張展強先生在"優質室內空 氣質素嘉獎典禮暨講座"簡介這項認可計劃的內容

首席環境保護主任彭錫榮先生於同一研討會表示:「《室內空氣質素品質保證計劃》是將由2003年所推行的《室內空氣質素檢定計劃》加以強化,並正式認可符合資格的專業人士及機構去提供室內空氣質素檢定服務。這計劃將會提昇室內空氣質素檢定服務品質水平及《室內空氣質素檢定計劃》的認受性」。

成為獲認可的《室內空氣質素檢定證書簽發機構》,可以簽發附有香港檢驗機構認可計劃認可標記的檢驗報告和證書,以說明所提供的服務的質量。 作為過渡性安排,環保署暫定設有18個月的過渡期,以方便室內空氣質素檢定股務供應商及註冊專業工程師申請認可。暫定由 2008年2月1日起,根據認可申請之情況,只有認可的《室內空氣質素檢定證書簽發機構》才可簽發室內空氣質素檢定證書。以下是關於《室內空氣質素檢定證書簽發機構》認可計劃之答問:

問:《室內空氣質素品質保證計劃》認可計劃如何運作?

答:《室內空氣質素品質保證計劃》正式認可符合資格的專業人士及機構去提供室內空氣質素檢定服務。申請成爲《室內空氣質素檢定證書簽發機構》須接受香港認可處根據"檢驗機構認可計劃"《補充準則第4號》所訂的要求進行評審。香港認可處負責一切有關申請,評審及頒發認可資格的事務。

問: 申請成爲認可的《室內空氣質素檢定證書簽發機構》 有什麽條件及申請手續如何?

答:獲認可的《室內空氣質素檢定證書簽發機構》須有能力量度最少12項室內空氣參數中的8項,室內空氣質素檢定的品質須符合"檢驗機構認可計劃"《補充準則第4號》所訂的要求。詳細由請手續及相關的補充準則可瀏覧香港認可處綱頁 http://www.itc.gov.hk/en/quality/hkas/hkias/about.htm

問: 在品質保證計劃生效後註冊專業工程師是否可繼績簽 發室內空氣質素檢定證書?

答: 在品質保證計劃生效前,合資格的註冊專業工程師可繼績簽發室內空氣質素檢定證書作爲過渡性安排。在18個月過渡期後,即由2008年1月31日起,只有認可的《室內空氣質素檢定證書簽發機構》方可簽發室內空氣質素檢定證書。現時簽發室內空氣質素檢定證書的註冊專業工程師須要由所屬的《室內空氣質素檢定證書簽發機構》僱用爲全職僱員。他們需要擁有一年室內空氣質素檢定的工作經驗。

室內空氣質素研討會

室內空氣質素資訊中心將在2006年10月至12日期間舉辦4場室內空氣質素研討會。其中2場研討會主要對象是負責大型樓宇、商場、酒店及大型企業物業管理的技術人員。另外2場則是主要安排給中、小學教師。

日期	研討會主題	主要對象
2006年10月27日	大型樓宇達致卓越	從事大厦管理的技
2006年11月17日	的室內空氣質素	術人員
2006年11月28日	學校良好的室內空	中、小學教師
2006年12月13日	氣質素	

關於室內空氣質素研討會的詳細資料請瀏覽室內空氣質素資訊中心綱頁 http://www.iaq.gov.hk

最近登記的室內空氣質素檢定證書(2006年6月至9月)

在 2006年6月至9月室內空氣質素資訊中心共登記了35張 室內空氣質素檢定證書。分項統計數字列於下表:

總數	4	31
2006年9月	1	10
2006年8月	1	5
2006年7月	0	3
2006年6月	2	13
年/月	新登記的「卓越級」室內 空氣質素檢定證書的數目	新登記的「良好級」室內空 氣質素檢定證書的數目

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Quality Assurance Programme for IAQ Certification

On 20 July 2006, Environmental Protection Department (EPD) and Hong Kong Accreditation Service (HKAS) jointly launched the Quality Assurance (QA) Programme for IAQ Certification. The new IAQ QA Programme is to accredit IAQ Certificate Issuing Bodies (IAQ CIBs) under the Hong Kong Inspection Body Accreditation Scheme (HKIAS) so that the CIBs will replace Registered Professional Engineers as competent examiners for issuing IAQ certificates to premises owners or management companies who join the IAQ Certification Scheme. Mr. C K Cheung, a Senior Accreditation Officer of HKAS, introduced the technical requirements for accreditation as IAQ CIBs during an IAQ technical seminar held in May 2006.



HKAS Senior Accreditation Officer, Mr. C K Cheung explaining the Quality Assurance Programme for IAQ Certification Work in the IAQ Technical Seminar

"The Quality Assurance Programme is an enhancement of the IAQ Certification Scheme launched in September 2003, to formally accredit qualified companies and professionals to carry out IAQ certification work. This would enable assurance of the quality of IAQ assessment work and thereby enhance the credibility of the IAQ Certification Scheme." Mr. S.W. Pang, Principal Environmental Protection Officer said in the same seminar.

Under the new quality assurance programme, accredited IAQ CIBs can issue HKIAS endorsed IAQ reports and certificates which serve as a proof of quality work. EPD has initially set an 18-month phase-in period for IAQ consultants, IAQ service providers as well as existing Registered Professional Engineers to prepare and seek for the accreditation. The issuance of IAQ certificates under the IAQ Certification Scheme will be restricted to accredited IAQ CIBs only upon expiry of the phase-in period, which is tentatively set on 1 February 2008, depending on the progress of the accreditation of CIBs

<u>Frequently Asked Questions on the Quality Assurance Programme:</u>

Q: How does the Quality Assurance Programme operate?

A: The IAQ Quality Assurance Programme is to accredit IAQ Certificate Issuing Bodies to issue IAQ Certificates under the IAQ Certification Scheme. To seek accreditation as IAQ CIBs, qualified applicants would need to be assessed according to the criteria for IAQ inspection newly established under the Hong Kong Inspection Body Accreditation Scheme (HKIAS) managed by the Hong Kong Accreditation Service (HKAS). HKAS is responsible for processing applications, conducting assessments and granting of accreditation to IAQ CIBs..

- **Q:** What are the accreditation criteria and application procedures for seeking accreditation as an IAQ Certificate Issuing Body?
- A: Any qualified companies which can provide service for assessing at least eight out of the twelve IAQ parameters of the IAQ Objectives can apply to the HKAS for accreditation as an IAQ CIB. The quality of IAQ testing and inspection shall comply with the criteria set out in the HKIAS Supplementary Criteria No.4. The application procedures and supplementary criteria can be obtained at the HKAS's website: http://www.itc.gov.hk/en/quality/hkas/hkias/about.htm
- **Q:** Can a Registered Professional Engineer (RPE) continue to sign out IAQ certificates on his own after the expiry of the phase-in period?
- A: Before the implementation of the Quality Assurance Programme, IAQ certificates and reports are issued only by RPEs as an interim quality assurance arrangement. After the expiry of the tentative 18-month phase-in period, i.e., 31 January 2008, only accredited IAQ CIBs will be eligible to issue HKIAS endorsed IAQ certificates and reports for premises owners or management companies who join the IAQ Certification Scheme. Existing RPEs who want to continue to issue IAQ certificates after the phase-in period will need to be employed by an IAQ CIB and seek accreditation as IAQ approved signatories. They need to have one year of IAQ certification experience in addition to RPE qualification.

Upcoming IAQ Seminars

IAQ Information Centre will organize four IAQ seminars between October and December 2006 for technical people engaged in properly management of large scale buildings, shopping arcades, hotels and large enterprises. Other two sessions of IAQ seminars are designed for primary and secondary school teachers.

Date	Theme	Target Participants
27 October 2006	Achieving Excellent	Technical people
17 November 2006	IAQ in Large Scale	engaged in property
	Premises	management
28 October 2006	IAQ Seminars for	Primary and
13 December 2006	School Teachers	secondary school
		teachers

Details of the IAQ seminars are available in the IAQ Information Centre website at http://www.iaq.gov.hk

Recently Registered IAQ Certificates (June to September 2006)

There were 35 IAQ certificates registered by the IAQ Information Centre between June and September 2006. The following table summarizes the IAQ certificates registered at the IAQ Information Centre:

Month/Year	No. of New Excellent IAQ Certificate Registered	No. of New Good IAQ Certificate Registered
June 06	2	13
July 06	0	3
August 06	1	5
September 06	1	10
Total	4	31

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