

PERMITTED AND NOT PERMITTED WORKS IN
STOREY SHELTERS (SS) TOWER

GENERAL

- (a) Your development has a civil defence shelter. It is designed to protect you during a war emergency. It has strengthened walls, floor, ceiling and a specially designed door. They must not be hacked or drilled. Certain finishes and fixtures are not permitted as they are not easily removable and may become hazards to shelter occupants during a war emergency. Lighting, power point, telephone point and CATV outlet points are also provided in the shelter so that you can stay inside and communicate with the outside.
- (b) Any repair or alteration or renovation works, which are likely to weaken or damage any structural elements of the storey shelter (SS) or non-shelter (NS), is not permitted.

PERMITTED WORKS IN SS

- 1 Laying of floor tiles bonded to wet cement mortar.
- 2 Laying of vinyl or linoleum flooring (Not permitted in S/C SS).
- 3 Laying of floor skirting tiles (up to a maximum of 100 mm high) by bonding them with wet cement mortar to SS walls.
- 4 Painting of walls, ceiling or door. In the case of SS door, owners shall not cover up or paint over the SS door notice (See Clause 5.3) or door seal.
- 5 Fixing of removable screws with non-metallic inserts not exceeding 50 mm deep for fixtures and equipment e.g. pictures, posters, cabinets or shelves etc. Such fixtures that are installed inside the SS will have to be removed by the owners within 48 hours upon notification (Not permitted in S/C SS).
- 6 Removal of the fragmentation plates (Clause 4.4) covering the ventilation openings shall be carried out subject to the following conditions (Not permitted in S/C SS):
 - a The plates (after removal) shall be securely mounted with removable screws on non-metallic inserts not exceeding 50 mm deep on one of the internal face of SS walls.
 - b After the removal of plates, the bolts and nuts shall be installed back to their original positions on the ventilation sleeves.
 - c Closing or covering up of ventilation openings by readily removable and reinstated aesthetic or architectural finishes is allowed, provided that at least 25% of the total area of the two openings shall be left uncovered for ventilation purposes during peacetime.
- 7 Where false ceilings, which are provided on the exterior of the SS, are to be installed at a level below the ventilation sleeves, there shall be one access panel of a minimum size of 600 mm x 600 mm to be provided directly below each ventilation sleeve.

NOT PERMITTED WORKS IN SS

- 1 Laying of wall tiles or spray of rock tone finish, cement sand finish and gypsum plastering on the internal faces of SS walls.
- 2 Laying of floor tiles using adhesive materials.
- 3 Installation of cornices within the SS.
- 4 Installation works with fixings using power driving nails.
- 5 Tampering with, removing or covering up of the SS door notice. The SS door notice provides important information to the occupants on the use of the SS.
- 6 Indiscriminate hacking and drilling of SS walls, floor slabs, and ceiling slabs, other than drilling into SS walls and ceiling slabs to affix removable screws on inserts.
- 7 Modifying, changing, removing or tampering of SS door.
- 8 Modifying, altering or tampering with any part of the ventilation openings, plates and the mounting devices such as bolts and nuts.

NOT PERMITTED WORKS IN NS

Indiscriminate hacking and drilling of NS walls, floor slabs, and ceiling slabs, other than drilling into NS walls and ceiling slab to affix removable screws on inserts, provided the depth of the insert shall not exceed 50 mm.