

CPD organised by YSG

1. Experience-Sharing on the Application of Building (Planning) Regulations, Part 1 (29 July) (Reported by Sr Gigi Mok, YSG CPD Convener)

YSG was pleased to invite Sr Terry KY Ng to deliver five half-day short courses on building controls to the HKIS's younger members to help them understand and update themselves on the control regime for property development. During the first course, Sr Ng mainly shared the related sections of the Buildings Ordinance such as Section 2 (Interpretation), Section 14 (Approval and Consent Required for the Commencement of Building Works), Section 16 (Grounds on Which Approval or Consent May be Refused), etc.



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1. First Souvenir Presented to Sr Terry KY Ng, Former Senior Building Surveyor of the Buildings Department

For example, mention of the Wang Fung Terrace (FACV7/14) court case allowed members to understand that while more people would have occupied Wang Fung Terrace and traffic at a nearby junction would have increased, the buildings in question might have posed a danger and/or inconvenience to traffic. Under these circumstances, the Building Authority might have considered invoking Section 16(1)(g).

2. Project-Sharing on the Hong Kong Waterfront: A Holistic Vision for the Avenue of Stars (3 August) (Reported by Sr Frank Poon, YSG CPD Convener)

Mr Edwin Tang shared his project management experiences and challenges on this project and discussed the way forward for and recommendations on the future of waterfront development.



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2. Experience-sharing by Mr Tang
3. Participants
4. Souvenir Presented to Mr Edwin Tang, Chartered Town Planner

3. Experience-Sharing on the Application of Building (Planning) Regulations, Part 2 (5 August) (Reported by Sr Gigi Mok, YSG CPD Convener)

During the second course, Sr Ng continued to share his knowledge of those sections of the Buildings Ordinance that were relevant to the audience: Section 21 (Occupation of New Buildings), Section 39 (Application of New Regulations), Section 41 (Exemptions), Section 42 (the Building Authority's Powers of Exemption), and Section 43 (Interpretation of Part 6 – Appeal).

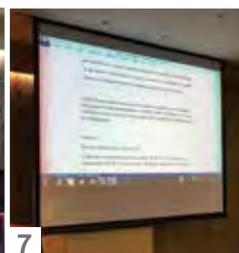
For example, when he mentioned that the Final Appeal Court case of Mariner provided useful guidelines to facilitate a decision, members learnt that the concept "involving the structure of a building" is not limited to what the structure holds it up, but the building works added to a building involved its structure served a structural function or were capable for some reason of affecting the integrity of the structure.



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5. Second Souvenir Presented to Sr Ng
6. Experience-sharing by Sr Ng
7. Sr Ng Explains that the Building Authority May Refuse to Issue an Occupation Permit if a Defect is Found within the Building Due to a Contravention of the B(C)R.

4 Glass & Curtain Wall Series (1): Good Practice for the Heat Soak Process to the Latest BS EN 14179-1: 2016 (12 August) (Reported by Sr Gigi Mok, YSG CPD Convener)

YSG was pleased to invite Ir Dr Dominic WK Yu to deliver this captioned three-hour seminar, which focused on quality control measures used to manufacture tempered glass and the good practice for the heat soak process. Ir Dr Yu began by sharing the rationale behind the requirements for temperature measurement, calibration, and supervision during the heat soak process, as stipulated in PNAP APP-37. Thereafter, he introduced a new calibration method and the latest requirement of the heat soak process, as stated in BS EN 14179-1: 2016.

By participating in the seminar, members learnt the Dos and Don'ts of enhancing effectiveness and efficiency when carrying out quality control on tempered glass, the documents and tests the manufacturer prepares and performs to ensure quality, the techniques for calibrating a heat soak oven, the proper installation of a data logger with thermocouples on glass surfaces, and the rationale behind TCP-T1's installation of an independent data logger.

Again, members learnt how the development intensity of a composite building, such as a site with two towers used for different purposes (eg office and residential blocks) or when the heights of two buildings do not fall into the same band in Schedule 1 of B(P)R, complies with B(P)R 20 & B(P)R 21.



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10. Third Souvenir Presented to Sr Ng

11. Sr Ng Explains that the Definition of "Usable Floor Space" in B(P)R Differs from that of "Usable Floor Area" under the Fire Safety Code



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8. Souvenir Presented to Ir Dr Dominic WK Yu, Principal (Structural Fire and Façade), Alpha Consulting Limited

9. Experience-sharing by Ir Dr Yu

5 Experience-Sharing on the Application of Building (Planning) Regulations, Part 3 (19 August) (Reported by Sr Gigi Mok, YSG CPD Convener)

Sr Ng came for a third time to share his knowledge of the relevant sections of the Building (Planning) Regulations.

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