

## CONSTRUCTION (DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT) REGULATIONS 2007

The Construction (Design and Management) Regulations, or CDM, were originally introduced in 1994, but underwent major change in 2007, when they also incorporated the Construction (Health, Safety & Welfare) Regulations 1996.

Part 4 of the Regulations deals with duties relating to health and safety on construction sites, including the following:-

- Site security
- Demolition and dismantling
- Excavations
- Inspection regimes
- Traffic management & vehicles
- Fire
- Emergency procedures

Information about all the above topics can be found elsewhere in this manual, together with guidance on other important topics, such as welfare, noise, vibration etc.

When appointed **Principal Contractor** this Company accepts its responsibility to implement and properly manage health and safety measures on site and take reasonable steps to ensure the following:-

- That Clients are aware of their duties under the Regulations, that a CDM Co-ordinator has been appointed and that the HSE have been properly notified of the proposed works.
- Co-operation between all sub-contractors so far as is necessary to enable each of those contractors to properly control their activities so as to ensure that their work is carried out in strict compliance with all relevant statutory health and safety provisions and our Company Safety Policy - Safe Systems of Work section, together with any specific rules contained in the Construction Phase Plan (CPP).
- That Sub-contractors ensure that their operatives are properly trained, work safely and bring to the notice of our site supervisor any matters requiring attention as they affect the health and safety of persons at work on the site.
- That only authorised persons are allowed onto any part of the site under our control and that every effort will be made to prevent unauthorised access to our sites.
- That a copy of the "Notification of Project" (F10 rev) is displayed in a position where it can be read by any person at work on the site and that a copy has been forwarded if required to the Health and Safety Executive and, according to contractual arrangements, to South Wales Safety Consultancy Limited for information.
- Prior to commencement and during the construction phase, the Company will develop and implement a CPP, based upon the information provided by the CDM Co-ordinator in the Pre Construction Information Pack, setting out the arrangements for the management of the construction work and monitoring of compliance. The CPP will contain copies of Method Statements, Risk and other written Assessments, Certificates of Training, Management Arrangements, procedures, induction training records etc.

The Site Manager will provide sub-contractors with any health and safety information affecting employees and will ensure that such information is brought to the notice of employees. He will ensure that the CDM Co-ordinator is promptly provided with all relevant information regarding sub-contractors and will provide any necessary information and documents for the Health & Safety File.

The Site Manager will also encourage discussions with, and accept advice from, the workforce and consider co-ordination of their views.

Regulations 13, 19, 22, 23 and 24 of CDM 2007 contain specific requirements relating to the activities of the Principal Contractor and Contractors. The Site Manager will ensure that he is aware of the requirements of these Regulations and will ensure that a copy of the CDM Regulations 2007 (or ACoP) is available for reference.

There will be occasions when the Company will be appointed as a **Contractor**, rather than the Principal Contractor. In such circumstances, the Company will ensure that it complies with all the requirements of CDM 2007 and other relevant legislation. In particular, the person with overall responsibility for the project must ensure that the following requirements are adhered to:-

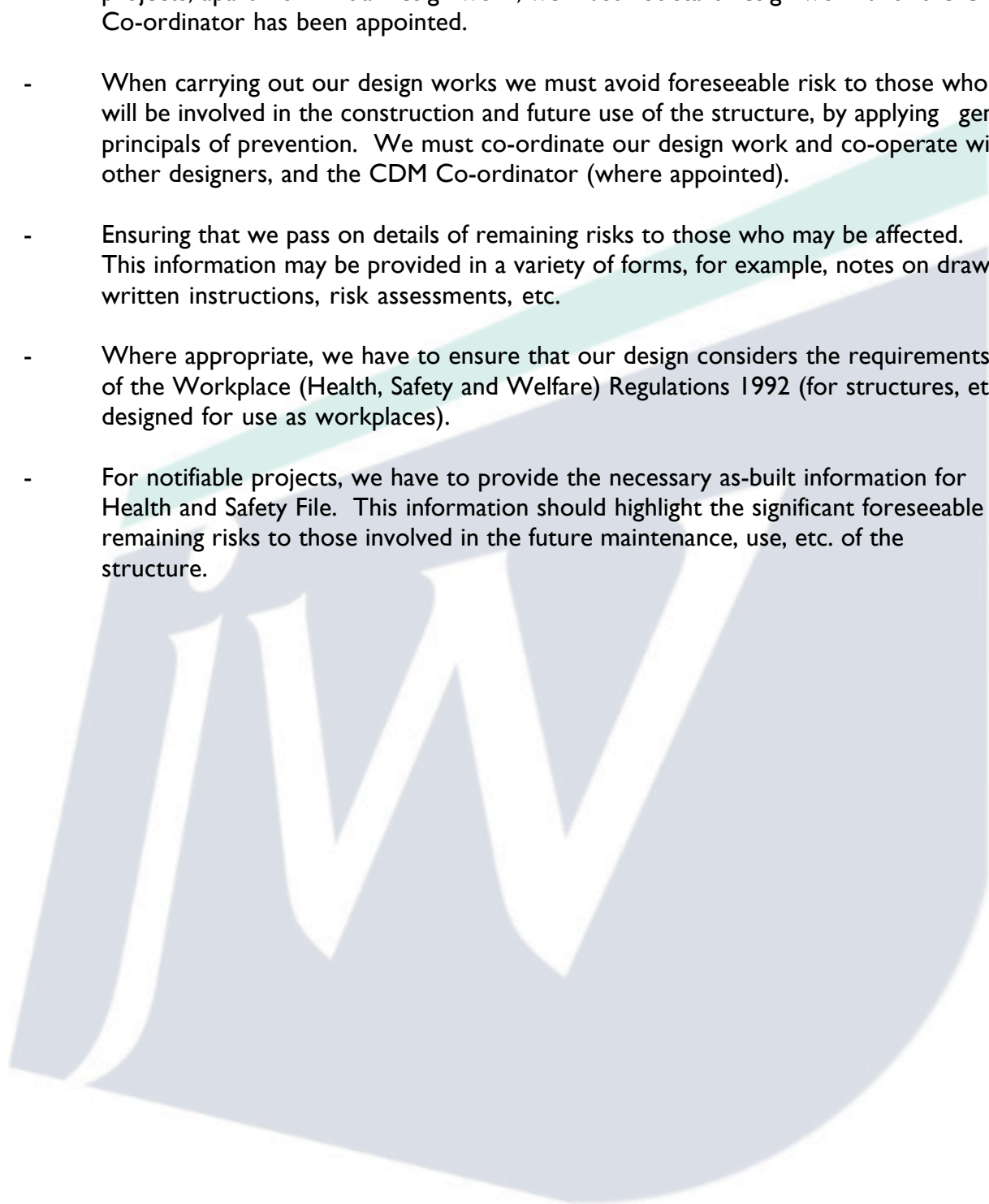
- Check that the client is aware of their duties. This can be done by making enquiries of the client directly or, more usually, checking with the Principal Contractor.
- Ensure that this organisation is competent and adequately resourced to undertake the work and that anyone the Company engages is also competent.
- Our own work is planned, managed and monitored to such an extent that ensures that persons under our control (and others who may be affected) are safe.
- Ensure that contractors we engage are informed of the minimum time they will be given to allow them to plan and prepare their work before starting on site.
- Provide workers under our control with all the information necessary to enable them to work safely on the contract. Usually, this will be dealt with by the Principal Contractor's site induction, but where necessary a separate, Company induction, should be given.
- Consult with the workforce on matters related to health and safety.
- Ensure that specialist advice is sought where appropriate (e.g. from a structural engineer or occupational hygienist).

The Company may also, from time to time, act as **Designer**, irrespective of any other role we may perform. All designers have specific duties under CDM 2007. Design work includes the preparation and alteration of drawings, specification of materials, design of temporary works, specification of a particular method of work, etc.

Where we are involved in design work we must comply with the following:-

- Ensuring that we are competent, in accordance with the Core Criteria set out in the CDM ACoP, to undertake design for each particular project. Likewise, if we sub contract out design work we must make suitable enquiries as to the competence of our appointees.

- Checking that our Client is aware of their duties under CDM 2007. For notifiable projects, apart from initial design work, we must not start design work until the CDM Co-ordinator has been appointed.
- When carrying out our design works we must avoid foreseeable risk to those who will be involved in the construction and future use of the structure, by applying general principals of prevention. We must co-ordinate our design work and co-operate with other designers, and the CDM Co-ordinator (where appointed).
- Ensuring that we pass on details of remaining risks to those who may be affected. This information may be provided in a variety of forms, for example, notes on drawings, written instructions, risk assessments, etc.
- Where appropriate, we have to ensure that our design considers the requirements of the Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1992 (for structures, etc., designed for use as workplaces).
- For notifiable projects, we have to provide the necessary as-built information for Health and Safety File. This information should highlight the significant foreseeable remaining risks to those involved in the future maintenance, use, etc. of the structure.



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