

# Considerate Contractors Site Award Scheme

## Objectives

The Works Bureau has implemented the Considerate Contractors Site Award Scheme since April 1995 to encourage public works contractors to work at all times in a considerate manner towards the public and neighbours, by providing a safe and healthy environment on and adjacent to their construction sites. In order to promote a high standard of site safety and management across the whole construction industry, the Scheme was expanded to include private sector construction sites since the 4<sup>th</sup> phase in 1997.

The last 6 phases of the Scheme, ended in December 1999, were very successful. It is evident that the Scheme would promote contractors on public works and private sector construction sites to be more aware of the importance of site safety and management. The current (7<sup>th</sup>) phase of the Scheme commenced on 1 January 2000 and will end on 31 December 2000. The appraisal periods and the numbers of participating and winning sites for the 7 phases of the Scheme are shown below:

| Phase       | Period                | No. of participating sites              | No. of winning sites |
|-------------|-----------------------|---|----------------------|
| Pilot Phase | 1.4.95 - 30.9.95      | 28 (public sites)                       | 9                    |
| Phase 2     | 1.10.95 - 31.3.96     | 46 (public sites)                       | 13                   |
| Phase 3     | 1.4.96 - 30.9.96      | 40 (public sites)                       | 15                   |
| Phase 4     | 1.1.97 - 31.12.97     | 39 (public sites)<br>10 (private sites) | 14<br>6              |
| Phase 5     | 1.1.98 - 31.12.98     | 41 (public sites)<br>12 (private sites) | 17<br>5              |
| Phase 6     | 1.1.99 - 31.12.99     | 47 (public sites)<br>18 (private sites) | 19<br>8              |
| Phase 7     | 1.1.2000 - 31.12.2000 | 59 (public sites)<br>24 (private sites) | Being assessed       |

The 8<sup>th</sup> phase of the Scheme will commence on 1 January 2001 and end on 31 December 2001.

## Site Selection Criteria

The following criteria apply to selection of construction sites for the Scheme:

- the sites are likely to have great impact on the public; and
- the sites should be active throughout the 12 months appraisal period

## Judging Criteria

To receive and retain an award, the site must satisfy all of the following judging criteria within the appraisal period:

### 👉 **Good site management**

Based on the quarterly assessments on the contractor's performance prepared by the government project office for a public works site; and by the Architect/Engineer under the contract for a private sector site.

### 👉 **Environmental consciousness**

No conviction under the Air Pollution Control, Noise Control, Water Pollution Control, Waste Disposal, Dumping at Sea and Ozone Layer Protection Ordinances. The implementation of waste management plan and proper maintenance of channels and watercourses.

### 👉 **Law abiding**

No conviction under Section 38A of the Immigration Ordinance i.e. no employment of illegal immigrants.

### 👉 **Safe**

No conviction under Factories and Industrial Undertakings Ordinance, Occupational Safety and Health Ordinance, Builders' Lifts and Tower Working Platforms (Safety) Ordinance, Dangerous Goods (General) Regulations, Buildings Ordinance (for private sector sites only), Electricity Supply Lines (Protection) Regulation and Gas Safety Ordinance.

### 👉 **Being considerate to neighbours and passers-by**

No conviction under the Road Traffic (Traffic Control) Regulations for obstruction of highways or insufficient provision of lighting, signing and guarding in respect of the construction site.

### 👉 **Being considerate overall**

Based on the assessments prepared by the government project officer and departmental safety adviser for a public works site, and the joint assessments by the representatives of the Works Bureau and the Architect/Engineer for a private sector site.

## **Judging Panel**

Upon the expiry of the appraisal period, the Works Bureau will form two judging panels to review the performance of participating public works sites and private sector sites respectively and recommend eligible sites to the Secretary for Works for the award.

## **Award Ceremony**

Upon approval by the Secretary of Works on the list of winning sites, the Works Bureau will hold an award ceremony, with media presence, to present the awards to winning contractors.

The award ceremony for the 2000 phase of the Scheme will be held in March 2001, the details of which will be announced in due course.

Senior officials of the Works Bureau, Works Departments, Labour Department and leaders of Construction Industry Training Authority, Hong Kong Construction Association Limited and the Occupational Safety & Health Council will be invited to attend the award ceremony.

Those who are interested in participating in the 8th Phase of the Scheme, please contact Mr. K L CHOW of the Works Bureau at 2848 6249 for further details.



The Secretary for Works Mr S. S. LEE was delivering a speech at the 1999 Phase Award Ceremony.

