

# 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 the neighbours by providing a safe and healthy environment on and adjacent to their construction sites. In order to promote the considerate attitude and good site safety 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 7 phases of the Scheme, ended in December 2000, 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 (8<sup>th</sup>) phase of the Scheme commenced on 1 January 2001 and will end on 31 December 2001. The appraisal periods and the numbers of participating and winning sites for the 8 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) 10 (private sites)	14 6
Phase 5	1.1.98 - 31.12.98	41 (public sites) 12 (private sites)	17 5
Phase 6	1.1.99 - 31.12.99	47 (public sites) 18 (private sites)	19 8
Phase 7	1.1.2000 - 31.12.2000	59 (public sites) 24 (private sites)	19 8
Phase 8	1.1.2001 – 31.12.2001	52 (public sites) 48 (private sites)	Being assessed

The 9<sup>th</sup> phase of the Scheme will commence on 1 January 2002 and end on 31 December 2002.

## Selection Criteria

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

- ☑ the sites are likely to have impact on the public; and
- ☑ the sites should have an active construction period of more than 12 months which should cover at least the first nine months of the 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 officers for a public works site; and by the Employer/Architect/Engineer's representative for a private sector site. Merits would be given to sites practising self-initiated safety improvement schemes such as, but not limited to, Safe Working Cycle.

### **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 and Regulations, 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. Provision and maintenance of clean and proper hoardings, barriers, traffic cones and lanterns for works or sites.

☞ **Being considerate overall**

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

### **Judging Panel**

Upon the expiry of the appraisal period, 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 awards.

### **Award Ceremony**

An award ceremony, with media presence, will be held to present the awards to winning contractors.

The award ceremony for the 2001 phase of the Scheme will be held in March 2002 and the details will be announced in due course.

More details of the Scheme are available at the Works Bureau Homepage : <http://www.wb.gov.hk> , or please contact Mr. K L CHOW of Works Bureau at 2848 6249.



The Secretary for Works Mr S. S. LEE was delivering a speech at the Considerate Contractors Site Award Scheme, Award Presentation Ceremony 2000