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1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Building Fire Safety Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2014*.

2 Regulation amended

This regulation amends the *Building Fire Safety Regulation 2008*.

3 Amendment of s 17 (Meaning of *evacuation coordination procedures*)

Section 17(e) and (f)—

omit, insert—

- (e) meeting the fire officers attending the building in response to the fire or emergency at a suitable place stated in the fire and evacuation plan for the building; and
- (f) informing the fire officers of—
 - (i) the number of persons evacuated; and
 - (ii) the number and identity of any persons not accounted for.

4 Amendment of s 21 (General requirements)

(1) Section 21(3)(h)—

omit.

(2) Section 21(3)(i) and (j)—

renumber as section 21(3)(h) and (i).

5 Amendment of s 23 (Requirements for secondary occupiers)

Section 23(2), example, ‘provides for a person to report the number and identities of persons not accounted for after an evacuation to the evacuation coordinator’—

omit, insert—

mentions the same designated assembly area

6 Amendment of s 26 (Accessing a fire and evacuation plan)

(1) Section 26(1)(b), ‘a’—

omit, insert—

an interested

(2) Section 26—

insert—

(3) In this section—

interested person, in relation to the fire and evacuation plan for a building, means—

- (a) a person the occupier of the building considers has a sufficient interest in the plan; or
- (b) a person who is authorised by law to inspect the plan.

7 Amendment of s 27 (Changing a fire and evacuation plan)

(1) Section 27(1), ‘as soon as practicable but’—

omit.

(2) Section 27(1)(b), examples, first dot point, ‘becoming or ceasing to be the evacuation coordinator for the building or’—

omit.

(3) Section 27(2) and (4), ‘as soon as practicable, but’—

omit.

8 Amendment of s 30 (Evacuation signs and diagrams to be displayed)

(1) Section 30(3)(b)—

omit, insert—

- (b) orientated so the direction of the route shown on the sign or diagram from the place in the building where the sign or diagram is displayed to the nearest exit of the building corresponds with the actual direction of the route from the place to the exit; and
- (c) securely attached to a wall or the internal side of a door.

(2) Section 30—

insert—

- (4) This section does not apply if the total floor area of the building is less than 300m².

9 Amendment of s 32 (Fire and evacuation instructions)

Section 32(3)—

omit, insert—

- (3) Before the building is used for conducting the event, the occupier must give the evacuation coordination instructions for the building to the persons responsible for carrying out the evacuation coordination procedures under the fire and evacuation plan for the building.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

10 Amendment of s 35 (General evacuation instructions)

(1) Section 35(2), ‘, as soon as practicable but’—

omit.

(2) Section 35(4), ‘as soon as practicable but’—

omit.

11 Amendment of s 36 (General requirements)

- (1) Section 36(2), ‘, as soon as practicable but’—
omit.
- (2) Section 36(4), ‘as soon as practicable but’—
omit.

12 Amendment of s 38 (General requirements)

- (1) Section 38(1)—
omit, insert—
- (1) The occupier of a building must give the evacuation coordination instructions for the building, at intervals of not more than 1 year, to the persons responsible for carrying out the evacuation coordination procedures under the building’s fire and evacuation plan (the *responsible persons*).
- Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.
- (2) Section 38(4), ‘evacuation coordinator and responsible persons as soon as practicable but’—
omit, insert—
- responsible persons

13 Amendment of s 39 (Requirements for instructing new persons)

- (1) Section 39(1)—
omit, insert—
- (1) This section applies if a person is to become responsible for carrying out an evacuation coordination procedure under the building’s fire and evacuation plan.
- (2) Section 39(2), ‘the evacuation coordinator or’—
omit.

[s 14]

14 Amendment of s 40 (Requirements for new occupiers)

Section 40(2)—

omit, insert—

- (2) The entity must, within 2 months after starting to occupy the building, give the evacuation coordination instructions for the building to the persons responsible for carrying out the evacuation coordination procedures under the building's fire and evacuation plan.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

15 Omission of s 42 (Compliance by occupiers of particular low occupancy buildings)

Section 42—

omit.

16 Amendment of s 48 (Signs to be displayed in accommodation units)

Section 48(2)(b)—

omit, insert—

- (b) orientated so the direction of the route shown on the sign from the place in the building where the sign is displayed to the nearest exit of the building corresponds with the actual direction of the route from the place to the exit; and
- (c) securely attached to a wall or the internal side of a door in the unit.

17 Amendment of s 71 (Keeping plans and other particular documents)

- (1) Section 71(2)(a), 'in a way that it is reasonably likely not to be damaged in the event of a fire or hazardous materials emergency'—

omit.

(2) Section 71(2)(b), example—

omit.

18 Amendment of s 72 (Retention and transfer of prescribed documents)

Section 72(5), ‘as soon as practicable but’—

omit.

19 Amendment of sch 3 (Dictionary)

Schedule 3, definitions, *evacuation coordinator* and *low occupancy building*—

omit.

ENDNOTES

- 1 Made by the Governor in Council on 11 December 2014.
- 2 Notified on the Queensland legislation website on 12 December 2014.
- 3 The administering agency is Queensland Fire and Emergency Services.

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