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Government Notifications

REGULATION MADE UNDER SECTION 54 OF THE SRI LANKA ELECTRICITY ACT, No. 20 OF 2009

BY virtue of the powers vested in me by the Section 54 of the Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No. 20 of 2009 and on the recommendation of the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka, I, Champika Ranawaka, the Minister of Power and Energy do by this order made the under-mentioned regulations.

CHAMPIKA RANAWAKA,
Minister of Power and Energy.

04th June 2015.

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Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No. 20 of 2009

Regulations made by the Minister of Power and Energy on the recommendation of the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka under Section 54 of the Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No. 20 of 2009 read with Section 6 of the aforesaid Act.

Minister of Power and Energy.

Colombo,
04th June 2015.

REGULATIONS

1. These regulations may be cited as the Electricity (Electrical Inspectors' Functions, Duties and Procedures) Regulations No. of 2015.

2. An electrical inspector after receiving a written request from a consumer or upon a directive by the Commission shall inspect the premises and test any line or plant or the supply of electricity and carry out the required task within ten days.



3. Every request shall be accompanied by the following—

- (a) the address of the premises ;
- (b) the purpose of the request ;
- (c) the receipt of the payment of Rupees Two Hundred and Fifty (Rs. 250)

4. The electrical inspector may enter into the premises at any time agreed by the consumer during 8 a. m. and 5 p. m.

5. The electrical inspector when carrying out a random inspection and test in accordance with a directive of the Commission shall produce his identifications together with the written authorization issued by the Commission and the reasons for his inspection and test.

6. An electrical inspector when conducting an inspection and test on electrical lines and plants belonging to persons authorized by a license or exempted from the requirement of obtaining a license to generate, transmit, distribute or supply electricity, such persons shall furnish all records or any other information relevant for verification and provide access to all standardized instruments to test the accuracy.

7. When conducting an inspection and a test by an electrical inspector, a licensee or a person exempted from obtaining a license may be represented by a duly authorized employee or an agent.

8. A report on the inspection and test conducted by the electrical inspector, shall be prepared by him and shall be submitted to the Commission within fourteen (14) days of the conclusion of such inspection and test.

9. In making the report, the electrical inspector shall include the following -

- (a) whether there is any contravention of the provisions of the Act ;
- (b) If there is any contravention, the effect or the nature of that contravention ;
- (c) recommendation on urgent actions to be taken in order to protect the safety of the public including the prohibition of the use of electric lines or electric plant or the generation, transmission and the distribution of supply of electricity ; and
- (d) remedial measures to rectify the defect.

10. the Commission shall communicate the report of the electrical inspector to the consumer who made the request or to the licensee or to the person who is exempted from obtaining a license, as the case may be, by registered post.

11. The consumer, the licensee or the person exempted from obtaining a license, as the case may be, who is aggrieved by a determination communicated to him under regulation 10, may communicate against such determination to the Commission in writing within fourteen days from the date on which the determination is communicated to him.

12. The Commission shall refer every such communication to a Panel of Mediators to resolve the dispute.

13. Every person making a request to the Commission shall pay a fee of rupees Two Hundred and Fifty (Rs. 250)

14. The fee payable under regulation 13 shall be paid by money order or bank draft drawn in favour of 'the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka'.

15. The fee referred to in regulation 13 shall be refunded to the person making such request if found to be correct by the electrical inspector or the Commission.

16. Within one month after the end of any calendar year (hereinafter referred to as the "financial year") an electrical inspector shall prepare and Submit to the Commission annual report setting out details of the performance of his function during the course of that year including information as to the number of request referred to him by the Commission, the remedial measures recommended by him and the effectiveness of his recommendation which have been implemented.

17. The audit of the activities of electrical inspectors shall take place at such times as the Commission may decide from time to time and audit of the activities shall take place at least once in each financial year.

18. In these regulations, unless the Context otherwise requires :

“Act” means the Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No. 20 of 2009 ; and

“Commission” means the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka established under the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka Act, No. 35 of 2002.

19. Electricity (Electrical Inspector’s Functions, Duties and Procedures) Regulations No. 01 of 2014, published in the *Gazette* Extraordinary No. 1883/12 dated 10.10.2014 is hereby rescinded.

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