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Foreword

This Technical Reference was prepared by a Working Group appointed by the Technical Committee on Construction Management under the direction of the Building and Construction Standards Committee (BCSC). The BCSC endorsed the TR on behalf of the Singapore Standards Council on 14 October 2014.

The Technical Reference is intended to provide recommended practices on the design, management, maintenance and operation of foreign workers' dormitories. Well-constructed, tidy and well-managed dormitories help provide its residents with a hygienic, conducive and safe place to reside.

This Technical Reference is not to be regarded as a Singapore Standard. This Technical Reference is made available for provisional application over a period of two years, but does not have the status of a Singapore Standard. The aim is to use the experience gained to modify the Technical Reference so that it can be adopted as a Singapore Standard. Users of the Technical Reference are invited to comment on its technical content, ease of use and any ambiguities or anomalies. These comments can be submitted using the feedback form provided at the end of the Technical Reference and will be taken into account in the review of the publication. At the end of the two years, the Technical Reference will be reviewed by the WG to discuss the comments received and to determine its suitability as a Singapore Standard. Submission for approval by the Standards Council as a Singapore Standard will be carried out only upon agreement after review.

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Reference was made to the following publications:

1. NEA Code of practice on environmental health
2. Code of Practice for Fire Safety Precautions in Buildings (Fire Code)

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Acknowledgement is made for the use of information from the above publications.

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Section One – General

1 Scope

This Technical Reference gives recommendation on the design, management, maintenance and operation of foreign workers' dormitories. It shall be limited to the design, management, maintenance and operation of purpose-built foreign workers' dormitories. Statutory requirements in government by-laws or relevant regulations of government departments may impose stricter requirements.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this standard. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

SS CP 5	Code of practice for electrical installations
SS 555 series	Code of practice for protection against lightning