
ENGINEERS LICENSING REGULATION

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CHAPTER I. GENERAL REGULATION

Section 1. General Provisions

Article 1. Purpose

The purpose of this Engineers Licensing Regulation is to set the requirements and procedure to license electrical engineers in the Republic of Maldives and thus authorize them to develop the activities that are also listed in this regulation. This regulation is formed to complete the Licensing Regulation for Electricians, which covers the licensing requirements for those professional involved in activities which do not require a design project prior to installation.

The objective is to ensure a minimum quality for the service provided by electrical engineers working in the Republic of Maldives and to ensure the electrical works and installations are safe to the public and to the workers. This regulation also aims to promote good practices in the development of electrical engineering activities in the Republic of Maldives and to ensure that engineering professionals are aware of, qualified for and take due responsibility for the professional activities they develop or carry out, including the consequences derived from the outcomes of their work.

Article 2. Scope

This Engineers Licensing Regulation will develop the following aspects:

1. Responsibilities of the Licensees;
2. Licensing process;
3. Examination Board;
4. Civil and criminal responsibilities of Licensees; and
5. Code of Professional Conduct for Licensees.

Article 3. Application

The contents of this Engineers Licensing Regulation will be mandatory for all electrical engineers that want to carry out any of the activities listed in Article 9 in the Republic of Maldives.

Article 4. General interpretation

In the interpretation of the contents of this document:

1. When a word or a phrase that is defined in the "Definitions and Abbreviations" is more particularly defined in another code or regulation and if there is any inconsistency between the two definitions, the latter or that particular definition shall prevail.
2. Any reference to a gender shall include all genders.
3. Any reference to a person or entity shall include an individual, partnership, company, corporation, association, organization, institution, or other similar groups.
4. Unless otherwise specified, singular shall include the plural and vice-versa.
5. The word "including" or a grammatical variation thereof means "including but not limited to"

Article 5. Amendments and unforeseen circumstances

1. The MEA has the authority to approve this Engineers Licensing Regulation and its future amendments, and to decide on any conflict of interpretation.
2. If circumstances not envisaged in the provisions of this Engineers Licensing Regulation or divergent interpretations of any provisions included in this Engineers Licensing Regulation should arise, the MEA shall determine what is to be done and communicate it to the parties involved. This notification shall be added as an annex to this Engineers Licensing Regulation until an amendment, if necessary, is made.

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3. In assessing the results of this Engineers Licensing Regulation or in case of unforeseen circumstances or if any provision of this Engineers Licensing Regulation should be found to be unlawful or wholly or partially invalid, the MEA may amend this Engineers Licensing Regulation from time to time.

Article 6. Administration and Enforcement

1. The MEA shall issue all Licenses covered under this regulations.
2. Each License shall be signed by the Director of the Regulations Unit of the MEA and impressed with a seal adopted by the MEA.
3. The MEA shall also issue a badge, digital card or equivalent identification solutions, to the License Holder displaying or containing at least the following:
 - 3.1. Name of License holder;
 - 3.2. Licensee class and the number; and
 - 3.3. Date of issue and expiry.
4. The MEA shall keep a record of the applications for License received and of the Licenses issued.
5. Any person that wants to carry out any of the activities listed in Article 9 shall hold a License as per the provisions of this Engineers Licensing Regulation and be subject to such provisions.

Section 2. Glossary

Article 7. Definitions and Abbreviations

The following definitions are to be referenced when interpreting this regulation:

1. Business Day: working day, every official working day of the week according to the Republic of Maldives's laws, rules and regulations.
2. Distribution Network: group of assets and equipment required for the distribution of electricity in the Republic of Maldives, comprising voltage levels not higher than 35 kV.
3. Electrical Installation Certificate: proof of compliance of an electrical installation with the standards, rules and regulations required in the Republic of Maldives for each type of electrical installation. It is required for connecting the installation to the Distribution Network.
4. Examination Board: group of experienced power system professional or electrical engineers appointed by the MEA who will examine applicants for a License.
5. First Examination Board: first Examination Board to be named by the MEA after the entry into force of this Engineers Licensing Regulation.
6. Generating Station: electric power generator or group of electric power generators located in a same site and their associated equipment and facilities.
7. GoM: Government of Maldives.
8. kVA. : kilovolt ampere.
9. License: the authority granted by the MEA for a person to engage in specific trade, occupation or business in the Republic of Maldives.
10. Licensee or License Holder: person or business entity to whom a License is issued by the MEA, for carrying out any of the activities that require such authorization as per the provisions of this Engineers Licensing Regulation.
11. Licensed Activities: activities (tasks, works) for which a Licensee is authorized by the MEA as per his or her License.
12. LISS or Licensee Information Submission System: facility through which all Licensees are required to submit the required information on line to the MEA.

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13. Low Voltage or LV: any voltage lower than 1 kV that is normalized and approved by the MEA for its use in power distribution in the Republic of Maldives.
 14. MEA: Maldives Energy Authority.
 15. Medium Voltage or MV: any voltage from 1 kV up to 35 kV that is normalized and approved by the MEA for its use in power distribution in the Republic of Maldives.
 16. Rf : Maldivian Rufiyaa.
 17. Shadow Engineer: Maldivian engineer who supports the activity of another engineer (who has been granted a Temporary License) by providing assistance in his or her day to day activities, providing help to understand the local environment and advising and supervising compliance of the work done with the local laws and regulation.
 18. Temporary License: authorization granted by the MEA to electrical engineers to carry out Licensed Activities during a predefined period and for specific projects under certain conditions set out in Article 13.

CHAPTER II. LICENSES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Article 8. Licenses

The following classes of Licenses may be issued:

1. Master Engineer for Electrical Works;
2. Senior Engineer for Electrical Works; and
3. Engineer for Electrical Works.

Article 9. Responsibilities of the Licensees

1. All Licensees shall wear the badge or have with them ready for identification the digital card or equivalent identification solution, given to them by the MEA whenever they are performing activities on the field. The badge, digital card or equivalent identification solution shall comply with the minimum information requirements set in Article 6.
2. Licensees shall be liable for any civil or criminal responsibility derived from the development and outcomes of any of the Licensed Activities associated to his or her License that he or she carried out, except for Engineer for Electrical Works whose responsibilities are assumed by the Master Engineer for Electrical Works or Senior Engineer for Electrical Works supervising him or her.
3. Licensed Activities of a Master Engineer for Electrical Works will include:
 - 3.1. Designing, supervising and signing electrical engineering projects, engineering plans, drawings, specifications, calculations and reports on any type of electrical assets, installations and studies; all such documents shall always include the name of the Licensee who prepared or supervised them and his or her License number.
 - 3.2. Studying and providing clarification on plans, drawing, specifications, calculations and reports on electrical equipment, installations and studies, either done by himself or herself or by another Licensee.
 - 3.3. Supervising compliance of electrical works, electrical installations and studies with the design and/or project specifications.
 - 3.4. Installing, operating, repairing, maintaining, inspecting, testing of all types of electrical appliances/apparatus/equipment such as motors, transformers, switching devices, generators, lights, wiring circuits, control circuits, other electrical system equipment and components in compliance with the applicable codes, standards and regulations in force in the Republic of Maldives, on the advice of the electrical contractor/operator or the employer;
 - 3.5. Operating a variety of electrical testing equipment to locate and determine electrical system malfunctions and also to maintain the electricity supply quality in accordance with the specified standards;
 - 3.6. Signing Electrical Installation Certificates for any electrical installation; and
 - 3.7. Mentoring and guiding Senior Engineer for Electrical Works and Engineer for Electrical Works.
4. Licensed Activities of a Senior Engineer for Electrical Works will include:
 - 4.1. Designing, supervising and signing electrical engineering projects, engineering plans, drawings, specifications, calculations and reports on electrical assets, installations and studies for Generating Stations at LV, Distribution Networks at LV, and for in-house installations where the installed capacity does not exceed 500 kVA.

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- 4.2. Studying and providing clarification on plans, drawings, specifications, calculations and reports on electrical equipment, installations and studies, either done by himself or herself or by another Licensee for Generating Stations at LV, Distribution Networks at LV and for in-house installations where the installed capacity does not exceed 500 kVA.
 - 4.3. Supervising compliance of electrical works, electrical installations and studies with the design and/or project specifications for Generating Stations at LV, Distribution Network at LV and for in-house electrical installations where the installed capacity does not exceed 500 kVA.
 - 4.4. Installing, operating, repairing, maintaining, inspecting, testing of all types of electrical appliances/apparatus/equipment such as motors, transformers, switching devices, generators, lights, wiring circuits, control circuits, other electrical system equipment and components at LV and in in-house electrical installations where the installed capacity does not exceed 500 kVA, in compliance with the applicable codes, standards and regulations, on the advice of the electrical contractor/operator or the employer;
 - 4.5. Operating a variety of electrical testing equipment to locate and determine electrical system malfunctions and also to maintain the electricity supply quality in accordance with the specified standards approved by the MEA in electrical installations at LV and in in-house installations where the installed capacity does not exceed 500 kVA;
 - 4.6. Assisting Master Engineer for Electrical Works in developing their responsibilities but in those cases where the activities carried out are out of the scope of allowed responsibilities for Senior Engineer for Electrical Works, the Master Engineer for Electrical Works shall be responsible for the supervision, execution and outcomes of the work done;
 - 4.7. Signing Electrical Installation Certificates for electrical installations at LV and in in-house electrical installations where the installed capacity does not exceed 500 kVA
 - 4.8. Mentoring and guiding Engineer for Electrical Works.
5. Licensed Activities of a Engineer for Electrical Works will include:
- 5.1. Assisting Master Engineer for Electrical Works and Senior Engineer for Electrical Works in the development of their responsibilities but always under their supervision and without taking any type of civil or criminal responsibility for their work (which are fully allocated to the Master Engineer for Electrical Works or Senior Engineer for Electrical Works who have to supervise and confirm and approve their work).

Article 10. Application for Licenses

1. Applications for a License of any class as defined in Article 8 shall be made to the MEA on a specified form (Schedule 1), along with the information requested in Point 2 of this Article and proof of having paid the fees specified by the MEA.
2. The information to be submitted for application for License shall include at least:
 - 2.1. A duly completed and signed original of the application form (Schedule 1);
 - 2.2. A recent photograph certified under the signature of the applicant on the back;
 - 2.3. The national ID card (original and copy). Alternatively, for foreigners, it may be replaced by an original act of birth with a photocopy;
 - 2.4. Any university or technical institute diploma or diplomas supporting the application or a document attesting the issuance of the diploma or diplomas. A copy can be presented if previously certified against the original by an employee of the MEA;
 - 2.5. Official transcripts to Divehi or English of the diplomas presented;

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- 2.6. An up-to-date resume detailing the applicant's work experience since obtaining the engineering diploma; and
 - 2.7. Proof of having the required civil responsibility insurance as per Article 18.
 3. All applications for License shall be submitted to the MEA either on-line, through the LISS, or in writing.

Article 11. Transferability, validity and renewal of Licenses

1. Licenses are not transferable and shall be valid for five (5) years from date of issuance.
2. Licenses shall expire and be void after the date of expiration specified in the License, except that when the day of expiration falls upon a Sunday or a public holiday, the License shall remain valid until the next Business Day.
3. Licenses will be renewed by the MEA before the date of expiration of the current License if the following conditions are met:
 - 3.1. Application for the renewal of the License has been submitted in the specified format at least sixteen (16) weeks before its expiration, providing all requested information and the renewal fees to the MEA;
 - 3.2. Work or services performed under the existing license have been done without the Licensee being found guilty of:
 - 3.2.1. Professional negligence, having breached the duty of care between the Licensee and his or her client or employer, not meeting the level of professionalism and standards commonly held in the profession of electrical engineers;
 - 3.2.2. An offense involving moral turpitude, proved by a justice court in the Republic of Maldives;
 - 3.2.3. Professional misconduct, as per the penal code or the Code of Professional Conduct included in this regulation; or
 - 3.2.4. Violating any of the License conditions;
 - 3.3. Applicant has sufficient proof to declare that he or she has been engaged in the Licensed Activities at least for 60% of the period of validity;
 - 3.4. Payment of fees and penalties as laid down in the Schedule 3. Penalties shall not be applied if so decided by order of a court in the Republic of Maldives; and
 - 3.5. License has not been revoked or suspended by the MEA.
4. In cases where an applicant fails to satisfy the conditions of Point 3.3 of this Article, due to the applicant being compelled to serve in essential services or on a directive of the GoM or the applicant is undertaking engineering studies either in the Republic of Maldives or overseas, then the MEA shall waive off that requirement.

Article 12. Suspension and revocation of Licenses

1. On information that any person who has been granted a License under these regulations has been found guilty of:
 - 1.1. Professional negligence, having breached the duty of care between the Licensee and his or her client or employer, not meeting the level of professionalism and standards commonly held in the profession of electrical engineers;
 - 1.2. An offense involving moral turpitude, proved by a justice court in the Republic of Maldives;
 - 1.3. Professional misconduct as per the penal code or the Code of Professional Conduct included in this regulation;



- 1.4. Violating any of the License conditions;

the MEA may suspend or revoke the License after an inquiry after obtaining approval by the Examination Board.
2. Suspension or revocation of a License shall require the MEA to file a request for evaluation of existence of any of the causes listed in Point 1 to the Examination Board.
3. The Examination Board shall inform the Licensee of the existence of a request to evaluate the suspension or revocation of his or her License and thus shall be granted a period of no less than fifteen (15) Business Days after receipt of the communication to present his claims, if any.
4. The Examination Board shall take into account both the request of the MEA and the claims presented by the Licensee, if any, to make a decision, which shall determine whether or not the License shall be suspended or revoked.
5. In case of suspension, the Examination Board shall determine the duration of the suspension.
6. The resolution of the Examination Board shall be communicated in writing both to the MEA and to the Licensee. The MEA shall then proceed to implement the required actions to apply the resolution of the Examination Board.

Article 13. Temporary Licensing

1. The MEA has the authority to grant Temporary Licenses to electrical engineers serving the GoM or expatriate electrical engineering personnel serving GoM approved projects. Such Temporary License can be directly granted by the MEA without need for the Licensee to undergo the examination process but shall only be granted to carry out Licensed Activities subject to conditions for a definite period, at their regular places of work.
2. The MEA may grant such Temporary Licenses for any person or a category of persons by publishing an order to that effect.
3. In order to be granted a Temporary License, the applicant shall demonstrate that he or she is going to be supported during his or her duties by a Shadow Engineer. This shall be done by including the personal data and signature of such Shadow Engineer in the application for a Temporary License. By signing the application, the Shadow Engineer commits to collaborate with the owner of the Temporary License, in case the Temporary License is granted, providing knowledge and advice on the Maldivian environment, and advising on and supervising compliance of the works carried out by the owner of the Temporary License with Maldivian laws and regulation.
4. Personnel who obtained a Temporary License shall not engage in Licensed Activities at any place other than at their regular places of work.
5. Holders of a Temporary Licenses shall be subject to the same rights and obligations of a regular License of the same class.

Article 14. Eligibility requirements

1. Applicants wishing to obtain a License shall fulfil the following minimum requirements by class of License:
 - 1.1. Master Engineer for Electrical Works
 - 1.1.1. Experience of having worked as a Senior Engineer for Electrical Works in the Republic of Maldives as defined in these regulations or experience of having worked in the Licensed Activities attributed to Master Engineer for Electrical Works in any other country, for a period of not less than five (5) years; and
 - 1.1.2. Experience of having worked in the electricity sector after obtaining his or her Engineering Degree for a period of not less than eight (8) years; and

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- 1.1.3. Hold a graduate degree in engineering in the electricity field from an internationally recognized university or technical institute that is approved by the MEA.
 - 1.2. Senior Engineer for Electrical Works
 - 1.2.1. Experience of having worked as a Engineer for Electrical Works in the Republic of Maldives as defined in these regulations or experience of having worked in the Licensed Activities attributed to Senior Engineer for Electrical Works in any other country, for a period of not less than four (4) years; and
 - 1.2.2. Experience of having worked in the electricity sector after obtaining his or her Engineering Degree for a period of not less than six (6) years; and
 - 1.2.3. Hold a graduate degree in engineering in the electricity field from an internationally recognized university or technical institute that is approved by the MEA.
 - 1.3. Engineer for Electrical Works
 - 1.3.1. Hold a graduate degree in engineering in the electricity field from an internationally recognized university or technical institute that is approved by the MEA.
 2. In addition to the above requirements, any applicant wishing to obtain a License shall be examined by an Examination Board appointed by the MEA in accordance with Article 15.

Article 15. Minimum examination requirements

Applicants wishing to obtain a License shall successfully pass the examination by the Examination Board, which shall at least include:

1. Master Engineer for Electrical Works
 - 1.1. Knowledge of the codes and regulations related to electrical installations, equipment and apparatus applicable in the Republic of Maldives.
 - 1.2. Knowledge of MV and LV electrical systems: load flows, calculation of cable sections, frequency and voltage regulation, earthing systems and protection systems and system balancing.
 - 1.3. Knowledge of project management techniques and commissioning activities.
 - 1.4. Practical ability to interpret single line diagrams, plans and drawings.
2. Senior Engineer for Electrical Works
 - 2.1. Knowledge of the codes and regulations related to electrical installations, equipment and apparatus applicable to LV networks and LV electrical installations in the Republic of Maldives.
 - 2.2. Knowledge of the Code of Professional Conduct defined in Chapter 4).
 - 2.3. Knowledge of LV electrical systems: load flows, calculation of cable sections, earthing systems and protection systems.
 - 2.4. Practical ability to interpret single line diagrams, plans and drawings.
3. Engineer for Electrical Works
 - 3.1. Knowledge of MV and LV electrical systems: load flows, calculation of cable sections, frequency and voltage regulation, earthing systems and protection systems and system balancing.
 - 3.2. Practical ability to interpret single line diagrams, plans and drawings.

Article 16. Examination Board

1. The Examination Board shall examine each applicant to determine his suitability to be granted a License to practice as an electrical engineer in the Republic of Maldives.
2. The Examination Board shall consist of three (3) members, who shall be Maldivian citizens as follows:
 - 2.1. One Master Engineer for Electrical Works who has had at least ten (10) years experience in the electricity engineering industry in Maldives.
 - 2.2. One member, who should be able to qualify as Master Engineer for Electrical Works, representing the electrical contractors of Maldives.
 - 2.3. One member, who should be able to qualify as Master Engineer for Electrical Works, representing the electricity utilities of Maldives.
3. One of the members appointed as per Point 2 of this Article, shall be named and function as chairperson of the Examination Board.
4. The period of membership of the members of the Examination Board shall be as follows:
 - 4.1. The term of office of a member of the Examination Board shall be for **five (5)** years from the date of appointment. Provided, however, that the first members of the Examination Board, other than the chairperson, shall hold office for nine (9) months, twelve (12) months or eighteen (18) months as the MEA shall determine.
 - 4.2. No member shall hold office continuously for a period exceeding **ten (10)** years.
5. Where a member of the Examination Board vacates office by death, resignation or other cause, the MEA shall appoint a new member having regard to the provisions of Point 2 of this Article. The person so appointed shall continue to serve as member for the remainder of the term of office of the member whom he succeeds.
6. A member of the Examination Board shall be eligible for reappointment for two more terms, unless he has been removed from office by the MEA.
7. The MEA shall not remove a member of the Examination Board from office unless he or she:
 - 7.1. Is found or declared to be of unsound mind;
 - 7.2. Has ceased to be qualified to be a member of the Examination Board; or
 - 7.3. Is found to be incompetent or corrupt.
8. The Examination Board shall hold the examinations at least quarterly during each calendar year or more frequently as the situation demands.
9. Each member of the Examination Board shall receive reasonable compensation for the services rendered.

Article 17. Examination Board functions

1. The Examination Board shall submit a memorandum to the MEA at the commencement of each calendar year, no later than the 21st of January, prescribing the syllabi of the subjects and outlining its methodology of assessment to determine whether the applicant has the requisite knowledge and experience to be granted the requested License.
2. On receiving approval from the MEA for the purpose exposed in Point 1, the Examination Board shall decide on the examination type, interviews or trade test that are required to examine the applicant on the full scope of the License he or she has applied for.
3. Within five (5) Business Days of completing the assessment, the Examination Board shall report its findings and recommendations in respect of each applicant to the MEA.

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4. The Examination Board shall recommend the applicants who achieve the minimum specified levels at the examination for the grant of the relevant License.
 5. The Examination Board shall maintain a data bank of electrical engineers whose service could be obtained when examinations/interviews/trade tests have to be conducted to help examine applicants.
 6. The MEA shall decide on the terms and conditions under which such electrical engineers will be hired and the Examination Board shall obtain the MEA's approval prior to securing such services.
 7. The Examination Board shall analyse the validity and adequacy of the academic programs followed by applicants. Conclusions shall be sent to the MEA so that the MEA can approve each academic program and thus grant the program an acceptable status for the purpose of fulfilling requirements of Article 14.
 8. The Examination Board shall keep a database of the list of academic programs of applicants and the condition of approved or refused given by the MEA. Any applicant holding an academic degree already approved by the MEA shall automatically fulfil the requirements on academic degrees for obtaining a License.
 9. An applicant who fails to qualify for a License or who fails to report for an examination within twelve (12) months after filing a License application shall forfeit any fees paid in connection with the application.

CHAPTER III. CIVIL AND CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF LICENSEES

Article 18. Civil responsibility of Licensees

1. Licensees, except Engineer for Electrical Works, shall be responsible for any damage caused by breach of the contract conditions, faulty performance in the contracted activities, poor or incomplete execution of contract obligations under which the Licensee performed its work.
2. Licensees, except Engineer for Electrical Works, shall be responsible for any damage suffered by a person or an asset due to the actions of lack of action of the Licensee involving fault or negligence.
3. Master Engineer for Electrical Works and Senior Engineer for Electrical Works in their role of supervisors of the work of Engineer for Electrical Works, will take full civil responsibility for the work performed by the Engineer for Electrical Works under their supervision.
4. Licensees shall be subject to economic penalties in compensation for the civil responsibilities for which they are found guilty.
5. Every Licensee, except Engineer for Electrical Works, shall have civil responsibility insurance for the civil responsibilities that can be derived from its work as licensed engineer in the Republic of Maldives. Such civil responsibility insurance in the amount of at least
 - 5.1. **Rf 7,000,000** per incident for Master Engineer for Electrical Works; and
 - 5.2. **Rf 3,000,000** per incident for Senior Engineer for Electrical Works.
6. Civil responsibility will prescribe one (1) year after the occurrence of the punishable act or manifestation of lesions derived from it, unless linked to a criminal offense, in which case civil responsibility will not prescribe until prescription of the criminal responsibility.

Article 19. Criminal responsibility of Licensees

1. Licensees, except Engineer for Electrical Works, shall be responsible for the legal offenses they perform in relation with their Licensed Activities. Such offenses include any action or lack of action which didn't comply with the legislation in force in the Republic of Maldives or which created a risk to a legally protected asset.
2. Master Engineer for Electrical Works and Senior Engineer for Electrical Works in their role of supervisors of the work of Engineer for Electrical Works, will take full criminal responsibility for the work performed by the Engineer for Electrical Works under their supervision.
3. Criminal responsibility of Licensees in relation with Licensed Activities shall prescribe when the criminal act prescribes as per the Maldivian law and in any case not sooner than five (5) years from the date of occurrence of the criminal act or manifestation of lesions, whichever is more recent.
4. Licensees are required to be available for communication with the MEA during the period where criminal responsibility is enforceable on them for the Licensed Activities developed in the Republic of Maldives. To this purpose:
 - 4.1. The Licensee shall notify the MEA when it plans to leave the country and communicate the contact details where he or she can be contacted while abroad, including at least telephone number, e-mail address and postal address, during the period where criminal responsibility is enforceable.
 - 4.2. The Licensee shall notify the MEA of any change in his or her contact details during the period where criminal responsibility is enforceable.
5. If required by the MEA or the GoM for criminal responsibility issues, the Licensee shall render himself or herself to the Republic of Maldives for investigation, judgment or sentencing.

CHAPTER IV. CODE OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Article 20. Code of Professional Conduct

Every Licensee shall comply with the following Code of Professional Conduct to protect and safeguard the health, safety, welfare and property of the public:

1. Compliance with laws

A Licensee shall provide professional services for a project in a manner that is consistent with the laws, codes, ordinances, rules and regulations applicable to that project. A Licensee may obtain and rely upon the advice of other professionals (e.g. architects, lawyers, land surveyors and other qualified personnel) as to the intent and meaning of such laws, codes, ordinances and regulations.

2. Conflicts of interest

2.1. Where a Licensee provides professional services for two or more clients on a project or on related projects, the Licensee shall disclose in writing to those clients his or her relationships with each of them.

2.2. Where a Licensee has a business association or financial interest which may influence his or her judgement in connection with the performance of the professional services he or she is providing, the Licensee shall fully disclose to his or her client(s) the nature of the business association or financial interest.

2.3. A Licensee shall not solicit or accept any type of payment, rebate, refund or commission, whether in form of money or otherwise, from contractors or suppliers in return for specifying their products to a client.

3. Representations

3.1. A Licensee shall not misrepresent his or her qualifications or affiliation to professional institutions to a prospective or existing client.

3.2. A Licensee shall not misrepresent to a prospective or existing client the scope of his or her responsibilities in connection with projects for which he or she is receiving or will receive compensation from that client.

3.3. A Licensee shall not misrepresent his or her scope of responsibility in connection with projects or services for which he or she is claiming credit.

3.4. A Licensee may advertise or solicit for any services for which he or she is authorized by License.

3.5. A Licensee shall only express professional opinions based on facts or experience or accepted engineering principles.

3.6. A Licensee shall attribute proper credit to others for their professional work and shall not misappropriate the professional work of others.

3.7. A Licensee shall not knowingly allow the publication or use of his or her data, reports, plans or other professional documents for unlawful purposes.

3.8. A Licensee shall not falsely or maliciously injure or attempt to injure the reputation or business of others.

3.9. A Licensee shall not misrepresent data and/or its relative significance in any professional report.

4. Confidential information

Confidential information obtained by a Licensee in his or her professional work, concerning a client, employer, or other related party shall not be disclosed by the Licensee without explicit permission by the client, employer or other related party, except when required by law, a regulatory agency of the Government of Maldives or upon discovery of unlawful, illegal or health or security threatening actions.

5. Document submittal

A Licensee shall not misrepresent the completeness of the professional documents he or she submits to his or her clients, a governmental agency or any other involved party.

Article 21. Non compliance with the Code of Professional Conduct

Non compliance with the Code of Professional Conduct shall not, by itself, be punishable, but it shall be taken into consideration for the purpose of evaluating complaints and making findings on the civil and criminal responsibility of Licensees.

CHAPTER V. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

Article 22. Transitional Provisions

1. All individuals who are currently working as electrical engineers in the Republic of Maldives shall be granted a period of **six (6) months** after official approval of this regulation to submit their application for License.
2. Compliance with Point 1.1.1 of Article 14 (first of the eligibility requirements to obtain a License of Master Engineer for Electrical Works) for the first five (5) years after the entry into force of this Engineers Licensing regulation shall be replaced by requiring applicants to have experience of having worked in the Licensed Activities attributed to Master Engineer for Electrical Works for a period of not less than five (5) years, regardless of the country of origin of the applicant and regardless of the country where the mentioned experience was obtained. Compliance with all other requirements listed in Article 14 for Master Engineer for Electrical Works shall also be fulfilled.
3. The MEA shall name the members of the First Examination Board in compliance with the following:
 - 3.1. The members of the First Examination Board shall be named by the MEA within one (1) month of the entry into force of this regulation; and
 - 3.2. The member of the First Examination Board that is required to be a Master Engineer for Electrical Works as per Point 2 of Article 16, shall be exempted from the requirement of having the License of Master Engineer for Electrical Works and instead be required to be able to qualify for such License, that is, to comply with the eligibility criteria listed in Article 14, considering the application of the transitional provision stipulated in Point 2 of this Article.
4. All the transitional provisions stipulated in Point 3 of this Article shall also apply to the designation of any new member of the First Examination Board for the first twelve (12) months after the entry into force of this Engineers Licensing Regulation.
5. Electrical engineers currently working or who have worked as engineers for electrical works in the Republic of Maldives who have applied for a License within the mentioned period shall be evaluated by the Examination Board in the first examination round to be held within **nine (9)** months of the entry into force of this regulation. Electrical engineers developing any Licensed Activity prior the official approval of this regulation shall be exempted from requiring a License until the date of the official resolution of the first examination round by the Examination Board, after which a License will be required for them to continue their work.
6. The Examination Board shall publish before the date of the first evaluation (as per the item 5 above) the equivalences between the previously existing Engineer's categories and the new categories for Engineer for Electrical Works (Engineer for Electrical Works, Senior Engineer for Electrical Works and Master Engineer for Electrical Works). The mentioned equivalences shall be based on the comparison of the scope of allowed or typical activities associated to each category between the old ones and the new ones approved in this regulation. These equivalences only answer to an informational purpose and do not exempt anyone from complying with the requirements and procedure to obtain a License as per this regulation, notably passing the required exam.

SCHEDULE 1 – APPLICATION FORM

Maldives Energy Authority Application Form for an Electrical Work License

(Please tick the appropriate cage.)

Application for a			
License	Transfer	Exemption	Renewal

Class of license requested for		
Master Engineer for Electrical Works	Senior Engineer for Electrical Works	Engineer for Electrical Works

Your association with MEA			
Do you hold or have you ever held a MEA electrical work license	Yes	No	<u>If Yes, License Number</u>
Have you applied for a license previously	Yes	No	<u>If Yes, Reference Number</u>

Applicant details				
Title	Mr.	Mrs.	Ms.	Miss
First name				
Father's name				
Date of Birth	Year	Month	Date	

Contact details				
Postal address	No:	Street name	Town	Post office
Email address				
Telephone	Land	Mobile		

Proof of identity		
NIC no	Passport No:	Driving license No

Educational qualifications		
Primary education		
Schools attended	Exams completed	Highest level achieved
Secondary education		
University/College/Institution	Course followed	Highest level achieved

English language proficiency					
Reading			Writing		
Good	Satisfactory	Not good	Good	Satisfactory	Not good

Experience in the electricity industry			
Organization/Company	Period	Post held	Responsibilities/duties/work done

Declaration	
I certify that all information provided above is true and shall produce proof of such information if I am called up to do so. I am aware that the MEA reserves the right to reject this application, if it finds that the information provided is not true.	
Signature of the applicant	Date

SCHEDULE 2 – LICENSE

Maldives Energy Authority

Considering the academic qualifications,
professional training and experience

Full Name of the Applicant

has been licensed to perform duties of a

**Master Engineer for Electrical Works/Senior
Engineer for Electrical Works/Engineer for
Electrical Works**

in the Republic of Maldives.

This license is valid for a five (5) year period from
the *Day of Month of Year*.

License number: ME *License Number*

Dated *Day of Month of Year*

The Director of the Regulations Unit of the MEA