

# DESIGNER DUTIES

## CONSTRUCTION (DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT) REGULATIONS 2007

**Designers' have general management duties with regard to:**

- ☐☐ Competence
- ☐☐ Co-operation
- ☐☐ Co-ordination
- ☐☐ General Principles of Prevention

**Designer duties under ALL construction project:**

No Designer shall commence work (other than initial design work) in relation to a project unless any Client for the project is aware of his duties.

So far as reasonably practicable every designer shall in preparing or modifying a design avoid foreseeable risks to the health and safety of any persons –

- ☐☐ Carrying out construction work
- ☐☐ Liable to be affected by such construction work
- ☐☐ Cleaning any window or any transparent or translucent wall, ceiling or roof in or on a structure
- ☐☐ Maintaining the permanent fixtures and fittings of a structure
- ☐☐ Using the structure designed as a workplace.

In discharging the duties above the designer shall, so far as reasonably practicable –

- ☐☐ Eliminate hazards which may give rise to risks
- ☐☐ Reduce risks from any remaining hazards

In designing any structure for use as a workplace the designer shall take account of the provisions of the Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1992.

The designer shall take all reasonable steps to provide with his design, sufficient information about the structure, its construction or maintenance to assist:

- ☐☐ Clients
- ☐☐ Other Designers
- ☐☐ Contractors

**Additional Designer duties under NOTIFIABLE construction projects:**

No Designer shall commence work (other than initial design work) in relation to a project unless a CDM Co-ordinator has been appointed for the project.

The Designer shall take all reasonable steps to provide with his design sufficient information about aspects of the design of the structure or its construction or maintenance as will adequately assist the CDM Co-ordinator to comply with his duties, including in relation to the H&S File

**All duty holders are expected to be pro-active in all Health and Safety matters.**

**The Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2007 come into force on the 6 April 2007 with immediate effect. The Regulations apply to all projects irrespective of the stage they have reached prior to this date.**