# **Ministry of Commerce and Investment**

Implementing Regulations of Law on Practicing Engineering Professions  $1439\,\mathrm{AH}\,/\,2018\,\mathrm{AD}$ 

# A Bill of Implementing Regulations of Law on Practicing Engineering Professions Article (1):

The following words and phrases shall have the same meaning ascribed thereto, unless the context requires otherwise:

**Law:** A Law on Practicing Engineering Professions issued by the Royal Decree No. (M/36) dated on 19/4/1438 AH

**Regulations:** The Implementing Regulations of the Law

**Ministry:** Ministry of Commerce and Investment

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Authority: Saudi Council of Engineers

**Board of Directors**: Board of Directors of the Saudi Council of Engineers

**Committee:** Professional Accreditation Committee in the Authority

**Consideration Committee:** One Committee or More to Consider Violations as per Article (12) of this Law.

**Law Enforcement Officer:** An officer from the Authority, who are chosen by the Minister to seize violations to the provisions of Law and Regulations.

**Engineering Works**: Studies, Designs, Drawings, Supervision, Execution, Operation and Maintenance in various sections and branches of the Engineering.

**Practicing Engineering Professions**: Carry out any Engineering Works exercised in various sections and branches of the Engineering.

**Professional Accreditation**: Registration at the Authority and obtain the Professional Degree

**Professional Degree:** A professional degree obtained by the Engineer from the Authority when professionally Accredited.

**Charter of Engineer:** A set of rules that regulate the ethics and behaviours of Engineering Profession as approved by the Authority.

**License:** A license, which the Ministry grants to Engineering offices, and companies, when practicing any Engineering profession according to the criteria set by the Authority for practising the profession of engineering.

#### Article (2):

The Board of Directors in coordination with the Ministry shall form a Professional Accreditation Committee. The committee shall include at least 10 members with a professional degree not less than a professional engineer to ensure achieving

proportionality in representing various categories of engineers. The committee's decisions shall be issued by the Majority of Votes. The Committee set its procedures, which is approved by a decision from the Minister.

# Article (3):

- 1- The categories of Professional Accreditation include the following:
  - A- Engineer: who has a bachelor in any Engineering specialties from a Saudi University or its equivalent from a recognized university.
  - B- Specialist: who has a bachelor in any supporting Engineering specialties from a Saudi University or its equivalent from a recognized university.
  - C- Technician: who is holder of a diploma in any supporting Engineering specialties from a Saudi University or its equivalent from a recognized university.
- 2- The Board of Directors after agreement with the Ministry shall determine the supporting Engineering Specialties.

#### Article (4):

- 1- The Professional Degrees of Engineer include the following:
  - A- Engineer
  - **B-** Associate Engineer
  - C- Professional Engineer
  - **D-** Consultant Engineer
- 2- The Board of Directors Upon a proposal from the Committee shall determine the requirements of professional degrees for the Engineer as set forth in clause (1) of this article along with the term, procedures and consideration for Professional Accreditation. This shall be reviewed every five years.

#### Article (5):

The committee shall set rules for classification of Engineering specialties, conditions and controls related to the technical abilities tests needed for each degree. The rules shall be approved by the Board of Directors.

#### Article (6):

All persons authorized to practice the Engineering Works in the Kingdom may work in the following fields:

- **1- Studies, Designs and Drawings**: Engineering studies and researches, planning, design, preparing engineering schemes, and drawings, reports and specifications, bills of quantities and studying and analysing technical offers for projects.
- **2- Supervision:** The technical follow-up and supervision over engineering works and projects, receiving works, preparing, reviewing and counting the quantities works implemented already, reviewing and revising the executive plans, approving samples and materials, revising specifications, carry out the necessary technical tests, inspection

and control, making sure of the professional safety criteria, preparing the necessary technical reports.

- **3- Implementation:** Carry out the designs of engineering projects as per the conditions, specifications, plans, bills of quantities, approved time programs, technical basis and criteria and controls of professional safety.
- 4- **Operation**: Managing and operating engineering facilities and projects, equipment and plant, providing engineering and technical cadres qualified for operation as per the activity and nature of such facilities and according to the criteria and controls of professional safety, verifying the validity of materials, supplies and processing and making sure of their compatibility with the approved specifications and their readiness for operation.
- 5- **Maintenance:** Maintaining the cleanness and safety of projects, engineering facilities, equipment and devices in an ongoing and permanent manner and repair all damage and malfunction in the facilities that may reduce its quality and life span and carry out the necessary technical tests, and inspection.

### Article (7):

The Authority shall issue the Charter of Engineer, which sets rules that regulate the ethics and behaviours of Engineering Profession. The professionally-accredited personnel shall comply therewith.

#### Article (8):

The Professional Accreditation shall be cancelled in any case of the following cases:

- 1- If the accredited person submits a request to cancel the accreditation
- 2- If the accredited person violates any condition of the professional accreditation conditions
- 3- If a reasoned decision is issued from the Consideration Committee to cancel accreditation.

## Article (9):

The authority shall issue criteria for practicing the profession of engineering and conditions of licenses for offices and engineering companies.

## Article (10):

The Licence of Engineering Officer or Company shall be cancelled in any case of the following cases:

- 1- If the license holder submits a request to cancel the accreditation
- 2- If the license holder violates any criteria set for practicing the profession and conditions of licenses.
- 3- If a reasoned decision is issued from the Consideration Committee to cancel the license.

## Article (11):

The Consideration Committee shall prepare its rules and procedures and shall approve them by a decision from the Minister.

# Article (12):

The Consideration Committee shall impose penalties – as per the provisions of Article 12 of the law – in line with the nature and degree of the violation and conditions of committing such violation. The Committee shall prepare classification for violations.

# Article (13):

The Law Enforcement Officer shall monitor the application of the law and its regulations and seize all violations occurred. For this purposes, the officer shall carry out inspection, supervisory tours and review the necessary documents.

# **Article (14):**

The regulations shall come into force as of the date of publication in the official gazette.