Editor’s Note

**MERS and Hot Environment**

While the Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) is slowing down, the hot summer time arrives earlier than previous years. All FM practitioners are engaged to protect building occupants and facilities users from the MERS and hot weather conditions. In addition, we need to take pragmatic actions against heat stroke at work for our front line workers as well. Some of the basics will be recapped in the FM Blog of this month.

**Energy, Environment and Sustainability**

Starting from April, we are going to select and share latest thinking and best practices of captioned topic in the FM Blog. You are welcome to contribute.

Wishing you good health and every success.

*Percy Kong*
News and Announcement

Professional Programmes

To keep abreast of latest technological development of building services and sustainability, HKIFM is among the supporting organizations of continuous professional development.

There are 4 major programmes in the pipeline:

● 7 July, Thermal Comfort;
● 30 July, Operation & Maintenance of Data Centre;
● 30 July, BEAM Pro;
● 12 September, Smart World City.

Please visit HKIFM website for full information.
Upcoming Event

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CPD Requirements for Members

Continuing professional development (CPD) is a common requirement of most professional institutes to ensure effective execution of professional duties throughout the members' working life. With the approval of the Council, the Institute has laid down the CPD requirements for its members.

In brief, all members (including fellows) and associates should complete a minimum of 20 hours per year on a mandatory basis starting from 1 July 2014. The CPD may come under 3 categories: (1) education and training, (2) community, institutional, and social services, (3) private study. A minimum of 10 hours should fall within the type of education and training, of which at least 4 hours should be related to activities organized by the HKIFM. Private study should be subject to a maximum claim of 5 hours per year.

Recruitment

HKIFM is committed to promoting the facility management profession in the territory. Just contact us via email: communications@hkifm.org.hk, if you wish to join the various committees to work with our experienced Committee Directors for the well-being of all members.

Please contact Mr Percy Kong, Director of Communications, should you have any comments and suggestions on this issue of FM Communicator.

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FM Blog

Prevention of Heat Stroke at Work

There are a number of personal protective equipment (PPE) to control the risk of heat stroke at work.

The typical PPEs are shown in the attached diagrams.

Please refer to Green Cross, Labor Department and Occupational Safety & Health Council for further details.