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STREETS AND BUILDINGS REGULATION (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT)
ORDINANCE 2013

An Ordinance to amend the Streets and Buildings Regulation (Consolidation) Ordinance 1984

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DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR

5th September 2013.

BE it enacted by the Administrator of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia as follows:—

1. Short title and commencement

- (1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Streets and Buildings Regulation (Consolidation) (Amendment) Ordinance 2013.
- (2) This Ordinance comes into force on the day after it is published in the Gazette.

2. Streets and Buildings Regulation (Consolidation) Ordinance 1984 amended

The Streets and Buildings Regulation (Consolidation) Ordinance 1984(a) is amended in accordance with section 3.

3. Section 26A inserted

The following section is inserted after section 26—

“26A. Exemption for photovoltaic systems with a maximum capacity of 20kW

- (1) If the conditions in subsection (2) are met, the installation of a photovoltaic system with a maximum capacity of 20 kilowatts (kW) is exempt from the requirement to obtain a building permit under section 3.
- (2) The conditions are as follows—
 - (a) the photovoltaic system must be installed on the roof of a building or on the ground within the property where the building is located;

- (b) the photovoltaic system must not alter substantially the external appearance of the building;
 - (c) no component of the photovoltaic system must be located within 6 metres of the boundary of the property;
 - (d) there must be a building permit under section 3 for the building; and
 - (e) a surveyor registered with the Cyprus Scientific and Technical Chamber must—
 - (i) submit a survey to the appropriate authority; and
 - (ii) certify in writing that all the components of the photovoltaic system, including a structure which has an area of a maximum of 6 square metres to be used to shelter the system, are safe.
- (3) For the purposes of this section a “photovoltaic system” means a group of photovoltaic solar modules which, together with the remaining equipment (which may include supporting base, electric battery, voltage converter and electrical connections) and the necessary devices, converts solar energy into electricity which may be used directly or stored in batteries.”.

Notes

(a) Ordinance 7/84 as amended by Ordinances 2/87, 13/87, 18/88, 10/96, 7/99, 2/00, 10/00 and 24/04.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Ordinance)

Introduction

1. This explanatory note relates to the Streets and Buildings Regulation (Consolidation) (Amendment) Ordinance 2013 (the “Ordinance”). It has been prepared by the Office of the Attorney General and Legal Adviser in order to assist the reader of the Ordinance. It does not form part of the Ordinance.

2. This note should be read in conjunction with the Ordinance. It is not, and is not meant to be, a comprehensive description of the Ordinance. So, when a section or part of a section does not seem to require any explanation or comment, none is given.

The Ordinance

3. The Ordinance amends the Streets and Buildings Regulation (Consolidation) Ordinance 1984 (the “principal Ordinance”) by inserting section 26A. It replicates the effect of the Republican order made under section 4B of the Republican Streets and Buildings Regulation Law (P.I. 124/2011).

4. The Ordinance permits photovoltaic systems to be constructed without the requirement for a building permit if they have a capacity of no more than 20kW of electricity, subject to certain conditions being met. These conditions include that the existing premises on the property on which the photovoltaic system will be located must be subject to a building permit. Also, a surveyor must certify as to the safety of the components to be used for the photovoltaic system.

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