



Visual Fire Alarm System Inside Flat for Hearing-impaired Residents

1. From 1 July 2020, Hong Kong Housing Society (HKHS) will install visual fire alarm (VFA) system in addition to flashing-light doorbell inside flat for hearing-impaired residents (HIR). This is voluntary scheme and is free of charge.
2. Exposed surface conduit is required to connect the VFA device(s) inside flat to the communal fire alarm bell at corridor.
3. The location and the number of VFA device(s) to be installed depends on the layout of the flat and the site condition so as to comply with relevant Fire Services Regulations.
4. The VFA device(s) will flash simultaneously with the communal fire alarm bell when a fire alarm is triggered (including false alarm). The flash period may continue until the system is reset or the alarm bell is muted.
5. VFA system will be tested and inspected during Fire Services Annual Inspection each year and routine repair and maintenance. Tenant has to allow HKHS's appointed Fire Services contractor and related workers to enter flat to carry out regular fire services inspections, repair and maintenance works as required.
6. If the VFA system is found damaged or out of order (except fair wear and tear), Tenant has to inform Estate Office immediately to arrange repair and Tenant has to reimburse the repair cost incurred.
7. Tenant has to reimburse the installation and reinstatement cost of the VFA system to HKHS if Tenant requests to remove the VFA system inside flat within 12 months after installation without justification reasons.
8. Eligibility Criteria
The household who apply for installation of VFA system inside flat should fulfill the following criteria:
 - (i) The HIR is a tenant or a listed household member on the tenancy; and
 - (ii) The HIR is living in flat permanently.
9. Tenant and household members have to complete an application form to the concerned Estate Office for processing.

Enquiries

The above information is for reference only. For details, please contact the Estate Office so that we can render assistance.