

Approval of Architectural Building Materials

This Department has carried out review on Acceptable Material List. New policy is towards performance specification of architectural building materials and its compliance with the relevant General Specifications as well as the specific requirements stipulated in the relevant Particular Specifications of individual contracts / sub-contracts issued by this Department. This arrangement enables wider choice of architectural building materials not limited to those on the Acceptable Material List.

With the abolition of the Acceptable Material List, all architectural building materials, including new products, can be used in Government projects as long as they comply with the relevant General Specification as well as the specific requirements in the relevant Particular specification of individual contracts / sub-contracts in the tender document. New materials do not need to be vetted, approved and listed before it can be used in Government project as in the past. This new system is more open to material suppliers. We shall assess the information of architectural building materials / equipment submitted by the contractor to ascertain compliance with the contract requirements.

Please be informed that general approval of certain architectural building materials granted by this department was discontinued as of 30 September 2005. Our general approval letter previously issued to the suppliers will continue to be treated as information for internal reference purposes provided that the terms and conditions stipulated in the approval letter are still valid and are relevant to the prescribed standard conforming to the latest General Specifications.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours faithfully,

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for Director of Architectural Services