

# Hong Kong Institute of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene 香港職業及環境衛生學會

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## New Council

A new Council was elected in the last Annual General Meeting on 22 September 2000:

President: Mr. SK LAM  
Vice-President: Mr. TW TSIN  
Hon. Treasurer: Mr. Joseph CW LEE  
Hon. Secretary: Mr. Percy MT TO  
Council Members: Mr. Paul KP FUNG  
Mr. YK KAM  
Ms. Tammy SY LO  
Mr. CM POON  
Mr. ST YIP  
Mr. Edmund KM HAU



## MEMBERSHIP

In the recent Council Meetings, new members were nominated and admitted by the Council. Welcome you all!

### Full Members

Mr. Peter CK CHOI  
Ms. Alice KL KWAN

### Members upgraded to Full Members

Mr. KW LAU

### Associated Member

Mr. Gary KW TSE

For new application and membership affairs, readers may write to the Secretariat (attn. Mr. Percy TO, at fax 2581 2049/ 2565 1349 or e-mail to [hkioeh@netvigator.com](mailto:hkioeh@netvigator.com).) for information. New applicants for full membership will normally be required to attend an interview before admission.

**Annual Fees.** The membership fees for different grades remain the same in Year 2001 as follows:

Fellow	HK\$ 350
Member	HK\$ 300
Associate	HK\$ 200
Affiliated Member	
Person	HK\$ 100
Company	HK\$ 3,000

For maintenance fee of RPH HK\$ 100

Members are reminded to send in their annual subscription, which is due January 2001. Payments may be made by a crossed check addressed to the "Hong Kong Institute of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene" or "香港職業及環境衛生學會". The following is an invoice to ALL members. If you need the invoice for budget or refund of the membership fee, please fill in the appropriate amount.

## Invoice to all Members

Name:

Membership Grade:

Fee:



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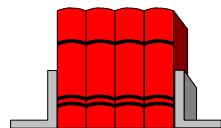
## EDITORIAL

News and comments from the readers are most welcome. The deadline for contribution to the next issue of the newsletter will be 15 February 2000.

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The articles in the newsletter represent the views of the authors only. The editorial board is not responsible for the accuracy of the information or any legal liability. Any comments can however be channelled through the editor to the writer for exchange of views.



### Reference for Members

Limited copies of the following titles are still available to members from the Editorial Board:

1. The Handbook of Electricity Safety (漏電保護器應用) at HK\$ 10.
2. Guide Book for Occupational Health & Safety in Industrial Joint Venture Enterprises in China by Prof. JL Zhou, H K Lee and Alison Margary (涉外工業職業安全衛生指南) at price HK\$ 100 including postage and packaging. The book is written in Chinese.

For order of the above reference or other books, members may contact the Editorial Board. (Fax: 2565 1349 or telephone 2852 4047).

### HKIOEH Goes Electronic

In the coming new century, it will be the era of electronic. Accessibility can be improved through transforming ways of business being conducted – by going electronic. The Electronic Service Delivery will become dominant. We may contact other persons via the television, Internet, public kiosk, or telephone linked to the computer system - that is to go electronic. HKIOEH strongly supports it, as it would be more green and efficient.

Therefore, the Secretariat wishes to have the consent from with members who want their e-mail address made known to the others and allow the Council to contact them via the e-mail. They may also indicate whether they want to obtain information by the electronic version only if the document can be transmitted electronically. This is the last Newsletter to you if you do not indicate you need the HARD COPY VERSION of the HKIOEH Newsletter.

Members can make their options by writing or via e-mail to the address: [hkioeh@netvigator.com](mailto:hkioeh@netvigator.com) before 28 February 2001.



### VACANCY for Occupational Hygienist

**Experienced Occupational Hygienist is wanted! Please check out the vacancy for Government Post in the daily 經濟日報 in this January 2001 or Labour Department web site: [www.jobs.gov.hk/](http://www.jobs.gov.hk/).**



### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

**Continuous Professional Development for Occupational Hygienists**

#### Registered Professional Hygienists (RPH)

The registration scheme has started to register members who want their names to be put in the list of RPH. It is the first step towards the continuous professional development programme, equivalent to the certification scheme administered by other International Associations. Members, who have attain the qualification of the Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH) granted by the American Board of Industrial Hygienist (ABIH), the Diploma in Occupational Hygienist (DOH) granted by the British Examining Board of Occupational Hygienist (BEOH) or equivalent plus relevant working experience in the field, may be considered for admission to the register until 2001. From 2002 onwards, members have to take the local examination before admission to be RPH.

Members who do not have the above qualification may take the examination offered by the HKIOEH Examination Board in Mid-2001. Members are required to pass two papers: one core paper and one advanced paper. Application fee for the

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examination is HK\$ 200 (non-refundable) and the examination fee is HK\$ 800 for each paper. The deadline of application for examination and exact examination date will be announced in the next issue.

## OSH LEGISLATION UPDATE

### Keep watching!

- Occupational Safety and Health (Display screen Equipment) Regulation is being discussed in the LEGCO and important in the agenda
- Factories and Industrial Undertakings (Medical Exam) Regulation is still under negotiation.
- Factories and Industrial Undertakings (Safety Officers and Safety Supervisors, amendment) Regulation is coming soon.
- Occupational Safety and Health (Personal Protective Equipment) Regulation

### Enactment !

- Factories and Industrial Undertakings (Safety Management) Regulation will be expected in mid 2001.

### Enacted!

- Factories and Industrial Undertakings (Confined Spaces) Regulation – became effective in June 2000.



## IOHA News

### The December 2000 Newsletter can be found in the web site:

<http://www.bohs.org/ioha/>

The IOHA newsletter brings us news about musculoskeletal injuries, which are key health problems and often disabling young people. In UK, the problem among health care workers is not less than construction and agriculture. The UK Government has proposed a 10-year strategy to tackle the issue. In Germany, the disease becomes the most prevalent. In 30% (44 million workers) of European workers complain of back pain, 17% complain of muscular pain in arms and legs and 45% reported working in painful or tiring positions.

Working on VDU in a fixed position for prolonged

periods with repetitive hand and wrist movements is one of the reasons.

## HK Federation of Medical Societies Column

The Homepage of the Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong has come to operation on 1 December 1999. The objective of this Homepage is to provide a convenient and effective means for member societies to make use of the latest information technology in access of advanced information. The web site of the Homepage is <http://www.FMSHK.com.hk>.

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