

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT
(Town Planning Wing)

NOTIFICATION

The, 19 November, 2020

No. LG/CTP(LG)/2020/ 3371 The Governor of Punjab is pleased to notify "The Norms for Fire Safety of Existing Coaching Centers and allied activities".

These norms shall be applicable with immediate effect and shall be implemented by the Fire and Town Planning wings of ULBs jointly.

"The Norms for Fire Safety of Existing Coaching Centers"

1. In order to ensure safety of the users of Coaching Centers, following Fire safety norms are here by formulated.

The Existing Coaching Centers are categorized as: -

- A. Running in existing SCOs/SCFs having height less than 15 m.
- B. Running in standalone commercial complexes/buildings etc. having height not more than 15 m.
- C. Running in all other establishments having height more than 15 m.

Category A

- A1 SCO/SCF are meant for Shops on Ground floor and offices/flats only on upper 2 or 3 floors. Coaching Centers are being run in SCO/SCFs without proper safeguards from fire hazards therefore the minimum Fire Safety arrangements that shall be provided are tabulated in Table-1 (**Annexure-1**).
- A1.2 If the partition walls do not conform to the specifications of Table-1, Chapter 4 of NBC-2016, Fire proof paint shall be applied on all such materials including partitions.
- A1.3 As per clause 3.4.5.4, Chapter -4 of NBC-2016, openings in walls or floors which are necessary to be provided to allow passages of all building services like cables, electrical wirings, telephone cables, plumbing pipes etc shall be protected by enclosure in the form of ducts/ shafts having a fire resistance not less than 120 minutes. The work shall be executed through certified / Govt. approved contractors only.
- A1.4 As per clause 3.4.6.1 of Chapter-4 of NBC-2016, the shaft shall be sealed at every floor with fire stop materials having same fire resistance as that of floor.
- A1.5 Emergency power for Fire and Life safety systems shall be installed as per NBC-2016.

- A1.6 All the provisions regarding lighting & lightening & HVAC contained in clauses 3.4.6.4 to 3.8.4 shall be compiled with as per NBC-2016. ELCB shall be installed.
- A1.7 All glazings shall be as per clause 3.4.10 of NBC-2016.
- A1.8 The exit routes including exit to roof top shall be free from all obstructions/ open able outward during all working hours.
- A1.9 The staircase & alleys shall have sufficient ventilation for escape of smoke and gases in case of an emergency as per clause 4.2 of NBC-2016.
- A1.10 Alternative safe route of escape (roof top or adjoining building etc) shall be provided in case of emergency, if only one staircase is there. All other applicable provisions as per NBC-2016 shall be ensured.
- A1.11 If the no. of students is less than 20 then conditions mentioned at A1.10 shall not be applicable.
- A1.12 Back courtyard shall not be covered to form the Box Type structure.
- A1.13 All Classrooms having more than 45 students must have multiple doorways for exit.
- A1.14 All the occupants must be trained to operate the installed first-aid and fixed fire fighting and safety equipment's.
- A1.15 The sole means of egress should not pass through any other occupancy e.g. office/shop/store etc.
- A1.16 No volatile/flammable material is stored in such buildings.
- A1.17 Illumination of means of egress must be done with emergency lights having power back up.
- A1.18 All partitions should be painted with High Grade Fire Retardant Paint.
- A1.19 Smoke extractor Without External Piping or Ducting should be Equipped on all Floor.

Category B:

Norms for Coaching Centers in standalone commercial complexes/buildings of height not more than 15 m: -

In standalone buildings, all the above-mentioned provisions shall be ensured. In addition, all other provisions contained in the NBC-2016 for building up to 15m height and F1 occupancy shall also be ensured.

Additional requirement:- Above point A1.18 and A1.19 is Mandatory .

Category C:

Norms for Coaching Centers in standalone commercial complexes/buildings of height more than 15 m: -

In standalone buildings, all the above provisions shall be ensured. In addition, all other provisions contained in the NBC-2016 for building height

more than 15m height and F1 occupancy shall also be ensured. A checklist of same is enclosed as Annexure-2 for ready reference.

NOC from Fire Department shall be obtained by the building owners/occupants within a period of one year for high rise buildings (15 m and above) and within 6 months for buildings having height less than 15m, from the date of issue of this notification, otherwise the Coaching Centers shall be sealed by the Fire Wing/ULBs.

Additional requirement: - Above point A1.18 and A1.19 is Mandatory .

Chandigarh

Dated: - 11-11-2020

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Under Secretary Local Government
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3. All Branch Heads in the Department of Local Government, Punjab, Chandigarh.
4. All Superintendents in the Local Government Secretariat / Directorate, Punjab, Chandigarh.
5. Executive Officers of All Municipal Councils/Nagar Panchayats and Improvement Trust in Punjab.

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