

FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT

FARKANTEX LTD.

PLOT#1-2, SECTOR #5/A, CEPZ , CHITTANGONG.

OTHER FACTORIES: NONE



ACCORD
on Fire and Building Safety in Bangladesh

June 15, 2014

SUMMARY

Farkantex Ltd. was surveyed for fire safety on 6/15/2014 by Hughes Associates, Inc. This summary identifies the major deficiencies that were identified during the inspection.

The purpose of this survey was to identify significant fire safety issues and to provide recommendations for remediation based on applicable standards specified by the Accord. The scope of this initial fire safety inspection was limited to the review and identification of major fire safety issues. The inspection did not include identification of minor deficiencies, which will be further addressed as part of follow-up inspections.

Tables 1 - 2 summarizes the major fire safety issues identified during the inspection. Recommendations have been provided to address each issue.

An implementation schedule shall be developed by the factory to remediate each of the findings. The specific timing of improvements, including any requested extensions due to design / installation constraints, shall be submitted to the Accord for approval.

Table 1. Findings And Recommendations - Farkantex Ltd. Shed "A"

No.	Category	Finding	Recommendation	Remediation Timeframe
F-1	Egress	Egress doors and gates with locking features are provided at building exits and exit discharge. All gates and doors were open and unlocked during the inspection.	Remove locking features from all egress doors and gates. If locks are required for security reasons, utilize special door locking features complying with NFPA 101.	Immediate
 				
F-2	Egress	Collapsible gates and sliding doors are provided at building exits and exit discharge.	Replace all gates and sliding doors along the means of egress with side-hinged, swinging egress doors. If locks are required for security reasons, utilize special door locking features complying with NFPA 101.	Within 1 month



F-3	Fire Protection	The fire alarm system is antiquated, not a listed system, and does not provide alarm and notification features consistent with acceptable standards.	Replace the fire alarm system with a new, listed addressable fire alarm system in accordance with NFPA 72.	Design within 4 months, install within 9 months
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F-4	Fire Protection	Inspection, testing, and maintenance for the fire alarm system was not in accordance with NFPA 72.	Inspect, test and maintain the fire alarm system, and keep written records on-site, in accordance with NFPA 72.	Within 3 months
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F-5	Fire Protection	The building is equipped with single-station smoke alarms. Smoke alarm activation sounds only a local alarm and does not provide automatic fire alarm notification of occupants.	Remove single station smoke alarms. Provide automatic smoke detection throughout the building in Accordance with NFPA 72.	Within 6 months
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F-6	Fire Protection	During functional test the fire alarm system does not appear to provide adequate audible notification coverage.	Provide additional notification appliances such that the fire alarm system is audible throughout the building in accordance with NFPA 72.	Within 6 months
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F-7	Egress Lighting	Inspection, testing, and maintenance records for the emergency lighting system were not in accordance with ACCORD standard.	Inspect, test and maintain the emergency lighting system in accordance with The ACCORD standard. Keep written records on-site.	Within 3 months
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F-8	Egress Lighting	Based on the number and location of emergency lights observed, adequate illumination levels are not anticipated along egress routes.	Test the emergency lighting system on each floor and provide additional emergency fixtures to provide adequate illumination along the means of egress. Provide a minimum illumination of 10 lux at the floor level within exit stairs and exit discharge paths and minimum 2.5 lux along exit access aisles.	Within 3 months
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Table 2. Findings And Recommendations - Farkantex Ltd. Shed "B"

No.	Category	Finding	Recommendation	Remediation Timeframe
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F-1	Fire Rated Construction	Fabric Goods Shed' used for combustible storage is not separated by fire-rated construction.	Provide minimum 1.5-hr fire-rated door to separate the Shed storage and Shed 'B'	Within 3 months
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F-2	Egress	Egress doors / gates with locking features are provided at building exits, exit stairs, along egress routes, exit discharge. All gates/doors were open and unlocked during the inspection.	Remove locking features from all egress doors / gates. If locks are required for security reasons, utilize special door locking features complying with NFPA 101.	Immediate
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F-3	Egress	Collapsible gates / sliding doors are provided at [building exits, exit stairs, along egress routes, exit discharge]. Specify type and location(s)	Replace all gates / sliding doors along the means of egress with side-hinged, swinging egress doors. If locks are required for security reasons, utilize special door locking features complying with NFPA 101.	Within 1 month
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