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## Fire Safety Inspection Scheme for healthcare facilities, including hospitals

#### **About the Scheme:**

The Association of Healthcare Providers (India) (AHPI) and the Institution of Fire Engineers (India) (IFE) have collaborated to develop a Fire Safety Inspection Scheme for healthcare facilities, including hospitals. This scheme aims to ensure that healthcare facilities adhere to fire safety regulations and standards. The scheme involves fire safety inspections, conducted by QACA Central Asia, an accredited inspection agency, with the option for them to issue "Certificate of Compliance" or provide reports indicating non-compliance.

### **Key aspects of the AHPI-IFE Fire Safety Inspection Scheme:**

**Purpose**: To enhance fire safety in healthcare facilities by ensuring compliance with relevant regulations and standards.

**Scope**: The scheme covers various aspects of fire safety, including fire prevention, life safety, fire protection, preparedness for fire incidents, and electrical, mechanical, and instrument provisions.

**Inspection Agencies**: The scheme involves competent inspection agencies, accredited to the international standard ISO 17020, conducting fire safety inspections.

**Regulatory Compliance**: The inspections are based on applicable regulations, the National Building Code Part 4, and other recognized standards.

**Reports and Certificates**: Following the inspection, a certificate/report is issued, indicating compliance with the local regulations or non-compliance.

**Audits**: The scheme also includes provisions for fire safety audits to assess and improve fire safety measures.

#### **How to Apply**

Health care facilities including hospitals desirous of obtaining **certificate of compliance for fire safety**, may submit the application in original duly signed by the authorized signatory along with required documents and requisite fees. For the convenience of applicants for filling the application, the following documents are available for information, at the website:

- a) Reference to the Inspection Criterion; (Annexure I of IFE-AHPI document)
- b) Application form; (Doc no. QACA/FSIS/02)
- c) List of documents required to be submitted along with the application; (QACA/FSIS/01)
- d) Procedure for obtaining Fire Safety Report/Certificate; (Annexure II of IFE-AHPI document)
- e) Inspection check list; (Annexure IV of IFE-AHPI document)
- f) Information about the fees and policy for the fee structure; (QACA/FSIS/03)
- g) Documents describing the rights and duties of clients; (QACA/FSIS/04) and
- h) Information on procedures for handling complaints, feedbacks and appeals.



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The application are to be sent to QACA Central Asia, Head Office, 201, Tower C, Plot No, A2 / 2, ATS BOUQUET, Block B, Sector 132, Noida, Uttar Pradesh 201301.

If the applicant needs any help in filling the application form or has any queries, please feel free to contact us.