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MA P4 Waste Recycling Facilities

1. This Circular Letter should be read in conjunction with BEAM Plus NB v1.1 and v1.2 and all the preceding circulars which are issued prior to this circular, but not yet withdrawn or superseded; and unless specifically stated otherwise in this Circular, the requirements stated in the aforesaid Manual and circulars shall remain valid.
2. The **Technical Circular Letter No. 2014.124 dated 3 December 2014** will be **withdrawn** on the effective date.
3. The minimum space requirement of the Refuse Storage and Material Recovery Chamber (RS&MRC) shall be calculated based on the following factors:

Broad Usage	Usage	Factor
Domestic (<i>for habitation use</i>)	Residential	Total usable floor space in 1m ² per 347m ²
	Hotel / Hostel	
Non-Domestic		Total usable floor space in 2m ² per 1,000m ²

For the following types of buildings, this prerequisite is not applicable:

- A domestic building designed for occupation by one single family only and with not more than 3 floors designed for habitation;
 - The domestic part of a composite building which comprises not more than 3 floors and is designed for habitation by one single family only;
 - Special purposes buildings that are not normally occupied or for transient stay other than staff visit for repair and maintenance works (e.g. pump house, substation, sewage treatment plant)
4. Appreciated the difficulties in fulfilling the captioned credit for small sites, domestic building or a domestic part of a composite building with a site area of more than 250m² but less than or equal to 500m², (i.e. **250m² < site area ≤ 500m²**), the provision of refuse storage and material recovery room (RS&MRR) on every domestic floor shall be exempted from the BEAM Plus Assessment subject to TRC approval on the alternative proposal by the Applicant for the exemption.

5. Approved PA projects: For projects that have already completed PA and have certain design and assessment approach approved, the Applicant may opt to adopt the same assessment criteria for FA or voluntarily comply with this Technical Circular. For the avoidance of doubt, the Applicant shall provide PA evidences (e.g. extract of the PA report, documents submitted for assessment in PA, etc) in subsequent assessments to support the intention of using the same assessment methodology as in PA.



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