

COMPREHENSIVE EXEMPTION LIST
for the
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
BUILDING DEPARTMENT
as approved by the
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

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Pursuant to EIS Regulation 1:33, the following types of actions, where they fall within the given classes of action, shall generally be exempt from requirements regarding preparation of an environmental assessment, negative declaration, or EIS:

Exemption Class #1: Operations, repairs or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing.

1. Building exterior painting
2. Building exterior repair
3. Communication system
4. Drainage system
5. Heating, ventilation and AC system
6. Interior alterations involving such things as partitions, plumbing, electrical conveyances and structural repairs
7. Minor underpinning
8. Parking lot
9. Pavement resurfacing and striping
10. Paved court
11. Reroofing
12. Sign
13. On-site street cleaning
14. Underground utilities (water, electric, sewer, communications conduit, and drainage line)

15. Walkway and bikepath
16. Wall and fence
17. Fumigation and treatment of buildings for termites, cockroaches, ants, vermin, and other pests using pesticides registered by the State Department of Agriculture and the EPA.

Exemption Class #2: Replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located generally on the same site and will have substantially the same purpose, capacity, density, height and dimensions as the structure replaced.

1. Berms, replacement and repair
2. Cesspool
3. Communication system (interior and exterior)
4. Drainage structure replace and/or repair
5. Driveway replacement
6. Fuel system except where Department of Health permit is required
7. Equipment replacement
8. Electrical system (interior and exterior)
9. Exterior door replacement
10. Heating, ventilation and AC system
11. Guard rail replacement and repair
12. Landscaping
13. Paving lot
14. Paved court
15. Roadway

16. Storm drain line replacement and repair
17. Stream retaining wall replacement and repair
18. Walkway and bikepath
19. Wall and fence
20. Waste treatment facility
21. Underground fuel tank replacement except where Department of Health permit is required.
22. Water line replacement
23. House sewer replacement
24. Sprinkler system replacement
25. Minor buildings and structures (storage building, maintenance shed, food booth, work shop and tool shed)

Exemption Class #3: Construction and location of single, new small facilities or structures and the alteration and modification of same and installation of new, small, equipment and facilities and the alteration and modification of same including but not limited to: (a) single family residences not in conjunction with the building of two (2) or more such units; (b) multi-unit structures designed for not more than four (4) dwelling units if not in conjunction with the building of two (2) or more such structures; (c) stores, offices and restaurants designed for total occupant load of twenty (20) persons or less, if not in conjunction with the building of two (2) or more such structures; (d) water, sewage, electrical, gas, telephone, and other essential public utility services extensions to serve such structures or facilities; and (e) accessory or appurtenant structures including garages, carports, patios, swimming pools, and fences.

1. Installation or replacement of above ground emergency liquid propane gas tanks and appurtenances at police, fire and ambulance stations and at City and County communication sites.

2. Bus shelter
3. Covered walk
4. Modification of radio systems not including construction or extension or radio antennas to towers
5. Door
6. Equipment installation in existing building
7. Exterior lighting at public facilities for security and safety reasons
8. Emergency electric generator
9. Guardrail
10. Retaining wall not more than five feet in height and 200 feet in length at police and fire stations.
11. Construction or installation of underground fuel tank with a maximum capacity of 4,000 gallons at fire and police stations.
12. Construction or installation of heating, ventilation and AC system (interior and exterior) at existing public facilities.
13. Construction or installation of cesspools which require State Department of Health and Board of Water Supply approvals.
14. Minor buildings and structures (maintenance shed, food booth, workshop and tool sheds).
15. Building used for offices, classrooms, laboratories, and storage (equipment and/or supplies).
16. Vehicle parking shed to quarter heavy automotive equipment located in baseyards.
17. Communication building, less than 400 square feet, to house microwave electronic equipment not greater in emission power than 10 watts.
18. Minor modifications and expansion of building complexes consistent with master plan.

Exemption Class #4: Minor alteration in the conditions of land, water, or vegetation.

1. Parking lot curbing and speed bumps.
2. Landscaping and sprinkler system.
3. Seepage drain.
4. Use of Environmental Protection Agency and State Department of Agriculture approved pesticides and herbicides under the supervision of certified applicators for spot or test plot applications within specified areas.
5. Minor ground adjustments for landscaping purposes or for leveling grounds, for which grading permits are not required.
6. Removal of unhealthy trees which endanger life or property and nonsignificant trees.

Exemption Class #5: Basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

1. Archaeological survey not requiring excavation.
2. Building evaluation.
3. Drainage survey.
4. Economic analysis.
5. Foundation survey.
6. Monitoring survey.
7. Exploration soil boring.
8. Topographic survey.
9. Traffic survey.

Exemption Class #6: Continuing administrative activities, such as purchases for supplies and personnel-related actions.

1. Land consolidation and subdivision for the purpose of providing additional land area for fire and police stations, corporation yards, and satellite City Hall offices.
2. Disposal of land less than 1000 square feet.

Exemption Class #7: Construction or placement of minor structures accessory to existing facilities.

1. Air condition enclosure
2. Construction field office
3. Flagpole
4. Lath house
5. Portable building
6. Relocation of building
7. Storage shed
8. Trash bin area
9. Tool shed
10. Underground fuel tank and dispenser except where Department of Health permit is required.
11. Paved court for interiors of public buildings and for outdoor recreational use at fire stations.
12. Plumbing system.
13. Service and handicapped ramps.
14. Stairway
15. Window modification
16. Sign
17. Utility connection (electric, gas, water and sewer)

- 18. Construction of fences not more than six feet high and 200 feet long; and construction of retaining walls not more than five feet high and 200 feet long. Such fences and walls shall be used for security purposes and shall be constructed at public facilities only.
- 19. Solar water heating system which includes exterior solar collector, non-reflective panels, storage tank not greater than 120 gallons and associated accessories.

Exemption Class #8: Interior alterations involving such things as partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances.

- 1. Built-in furniture
- 2. Built-in equipment
- 3. Conveyor system
- 4. Ceiling system
- 5. Door
- 6. Electrical system
- 7. Floor system
- 8. Foundation system
- 9. Heating, ventilation and AC system
- 10. Plumbing system
- 11. Wall system
- 12. Roof system

Exemption Class #9: Demolition of structures, except those structures located on any historic site as designated in the National Register or Hawaii Register as provided for in the Historic Preservation Act of 1966, Public Law 89-665, or Chapter 6, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

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1. Building
2. Utility system

NOTE: As stipulated by EIS Regulation 1:33(b), all exemptions under this list are inapplicable when the cumulative impact of planned successive actions of the same type, in the same place, over time, is significant, or when an action that is normally insignificant in its impact on the environment may be significant in a particularly sensitive environment.