

33. Kwahu East District Assembly (Maintenance of Premises) Bye-Laws, 2020

1. Painting of premises

An owner or occupier of premises within the area of administration of the Assembly shall keep the house clean and painted on regular basis, at least once in every two years.

2. Surcharge of owner, occupier

Where an owner or occupier fails to comply with sub-paragraph (1) the Assembly shall undertake the painting and charge the owner or occupier with the expenses incurred in undertaking the painting.

3. Inspection by authorized officer

An officer of the Assembly duly authorized may inspect the state of maintenance of any premises and its state of cleanliness within a prescribed period as it may determine.

4. Powers of Assembly

The Assembly may direct an owner or occupier of premises to paint or put the premises in a state of cleanliness within a prescribed period as it may determine.

5. Extension of time

The Assembly may extend the prescribed period for the painting of premises upon an application by the owner or occupier of the premises in reasonable circumstances.

6. Offence for uncleanness

After the expiration of the extended prescribed period, a person who refuses to comply with the request to paint or put the premises in a state of cleanliness commits an offence.

7. Premises in disrepair

A house owner or occupier of premises who refuses to repair any premises which is in a state of disrepair, dilapidation, collapse or poses a threat to life and property shall be deemed to have contravened these bye-laws after reasonable warning or notice by the Assembly.

8. Abandoned premises

Where a premises is abandoned and in a total state of disrepair, dilapidation or collapse and poses a threat to life and property the Assembly shall serve notice to the owner or occupier of the premises to demolish it within a period of fourteen calendar days.

9. Demolition of premises after fourteen calendar days' notice

The Assembly shall demolish the premises and charge the owner or occupier of the premises with the cost of demolishing after the expiration of the period.

10. Uncompleted dangerous property

The Assembly shall serve notice on the owner of an uncompleted premises which poses a threat to life and property to either complete or demolish it within a specified period of time.

11. Penalty

A person who contravenes any of these bye-laws commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of hundred penalty units or in default of payment to a term of imprisonment not exceeding six months or to both.