

Table 18.3: Consultant's Responsibilities

ITEMS	REQUIREMENTS
8. EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Preparation of Emergency Evacuation Plan is consultant's responsibility and scope of work. ii. Emergency Evacuation Plan shall comply with Chapter 5., Table 5.1.8. iii. It is consultant's responsibility to ensure facility management is involved in commissioning the emergency evacuation plans, verifying the authenticity and applicability of such evacuation plan as per site conditions, furniture layouts etc., as per Chapter 5, Section 4.
9. MODIFICATIONS TO CIVIL DEFENCE APPROVED DRAWINGS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Any modifications on site, to buildings or Fire and Life Safety systems or change of usage of the building, shall require re-approval by Civil Defence. It is consultant's responsibility to make changes to approved drawings as per modifications on site and reapply to Civil Defence as "revised" for revision approvals.
10. CODE COMPLIANCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The overall code compliance of a project is complete responsibility of the consultant, in coordination with owner and contractors. ii. Approval from Civil Defence for any project drawings is based on minimum requirements and it does not relieve consultant from his responsibility to verify and explore additional code compliance requirements from latest edition of UAE Fire and Life Safety Code of Practice and The International Codes and Standards referred within. iii. It is consultant's responsibility not to "Over Design" Fire and Life Safety aspects in a project, which unnecessarily increases project costs to the owner. Similarly it is consultant's responsibility to be cautious when adopting "Value Engineering/Cost Effective" approaches which could be non-complaint to code requirements. A careful in-depth analysis of Code requirements in the initial planning stage will save consultant valuable time and money.
11. FINAL SIGN OFF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Consultant shall sign off final handing over documents to the owner, undertaking that all the Fire and Life Safety aspect of the building are as per approved drawings and are in full compliance with UAE Fire and Life Safety Code of Practice. ii. This signed undertaking conformity from consultant shall be submitted to Civil Defence along with final inspection, testing and handing over documents for Civil Defence completion certificate to occupy the building.