

Table 18.3: Consultant's Responsibilities

ITEMS	REQUIREMENTS
4. APPROVALS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> vii. Civil Defence approval is obtained through submission of either one time package (design NOC) or two packages (Design NOC and shop drawing approval) as required by individual Emirates' Civil Defence.. viii. Incomplete drawing submissions shall not be reviewed by Civil Defence and consultant shall be accountable for delays arising from such submissions. ix. Where consultant has hired Civil Defence approved house of expertise, it shall be the consultant's responsibility to submit house of expertise stamped drawings. House of expertise is not authorized to submit drawings to Civil Defence. x. It is consultant's duty to ensure that construction does not commence without valid relevant approvals and building permits. xi. For construction accidents, fire accidents and such mishaps on construction sites where constructions have begun without authority approvals, the consultant shall be held responsible.
5. INTERACTION WITH CIVIL DEFENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. It is consultant's responsibility and prerequisite to understand the fire and life safety code requirements through courses and trainings. It is not Civil Defence responsibility to educate consultants on Fire and Life safety basics. ii. It is consultant's responsibility to arrange fire engineers, architects, and fire systems engineers to discuss projects and code issues with Civil Defence, and not expect Civil Defence to conduct project meetings with non-professionals and office PRO's who lack fire safety expertise to understand the discussions. iii. Consultant's shall fully explore the code compliance options before seeking Civil Defence involvement in decision making. iv. Unnecessary and out of context discussions can be avoided to save time and efforts for both consultants and Civil Defence, if consultants prepare themselves with necessary drawings, schematics, history of comments from Civil Defence, code justifications and valid arguments, before seeking meetings with Civil Defence. v. Consultant shall not seek Civil Defence' assistance for every new project before creating online valid applications, unless there are application and fee complications.
6. DURING CONSTRUCTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Consultant, in coordination with owner's program manager shall be responsible to ensure the Fire Safety of life and property during construction. ii. Consultant shall coordinate with the Owner or owner's representative to prepare written (Program Manager's) duties and responsibilities during construction, as required by Chapter 12. Under Construction, Table 12.1. iii. It is consultant's responsibility to ensure every contractor has appointed dedicated fire safety supervisor to monitor the onsite work by their team of workers. iv. It is consultant's responsibility to inspect construction and installation work and supervise contractors to ensure that the onsite proceedings are in compliance with Civil Defence approved drawings and specifications. v. It is consultant's responsibility to verify the materials and components being used in construction and installation are same as specified and approved. vi. Consultant shall inspect Fire stopping, cladding voids, concealed piping, underground installations etc. while they are exposed for inspections and certify before concealing permanently. vii. Where consultant feels the need to ensure that Fire and Life Safety Systems are being installed as per the design and approvals, and materials are as specified in approvals, a civil Defence approved and registered House of Expertise shall be appointed and monitored.