

## REGULATION 28: REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS (1)

*NOTE: This form is to be used **after** an inquest.*

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|   | <p><b>REGULATION 28 REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS</b></p> <p><b>THIS REPORT IS BEING SENT TO:</b></p> <p>1. Tesco Stores PLC</p>   |
| 1 | <p><b>CORONER</b></p> <p>I am Mr Kevin McLoughlin, an Assistant Coroner, for the Coroner Area of Manchester West</p>   |
| 2 | <p><b>CORONER'S LEGAL POWERS</b></p> <p>I make this report under paragraph 7, Schedule 5, of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009 and regulations 28 and 29 of the Coroners (Investigations) Regulations 2013.</p>  |
| 3 | <p><b>INVESTIGATION and INQUEST</b></p> <p>On the 9<sup>th</sup> December 2014 an investigation was commenced into the death of Javaid Iqbal, aged 28. The investigation concluded at the end of the inquest on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016. The conclusion of the inquest was Misadventure arising from the medical cause of death due to 1a) Carbon Monoxide poisoning due to 1b) Inhalation of Products of Combustion.</p>   |
| 4 | <p><b>CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DEATH</b></p> <p>On Friday night, the 5<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> December 2014 Javaid Iqbal was working as a security guard at a construction site at Queen Street, Leigh, based in a site portacabin. Heat and light was being provided by a mobile generator located near the portacabin. During the evening of Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December the generator failed leaving Mr Iqbal without light or heat on a cold night. He reported the matter to various managers but no action was taken to assist him. Around 3am Mr Iqbal obtained a bag of charcoal from a 24 hour Tesco Store and used this to light a fire in a wheelbarrow placed inside the portacabin in an attempt to keep warm. He died from the carbon monoxide fumes produced by the fire.</p> |
| 5 | <p><b><u>CORONER'S CONCERNS</u></b></p> <p>During the course of the inquest the evidence revealed matters giving rise to concern. In my opinion there is a risk that future deaths will occur unless action is taken. In the circumstances it is my statutory duty to report to you.</p> <p>The <b>MATTERS OF CONCERN</b> are as follows:</p> <p>(1) The packaging of the charcoal provides instructions which indicate it should not be used indoors. The warning is not given much prominence and does not</p>   |

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|   | draw attention to the risk of death from carbon monoxide poisoning if used indoors.   |  |
| 6 | <b>ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN</b><br><br>In my opinion urgent action should be taken to prevent future deaths and I believe you and/or your organisation have the power to take such action by having your suppliers review the warnings provided on the packaging of bags of charcoal and / or BBQ sets with a view to highlighting the risks involved of lighting a BBQ indoors.  |  |
| 7 | <b>YOUR RESPONSE</b><br><br>You are under a duty to respond to this report within 56 days of the date of this report, namely by 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2016. I, the coroner, may extend the period.<br><br>Your response must contain details of action taken or proposed to be taken, setting out the timetable for action. Otherwise you must explain why no action is proposed.  |  |
| 8 | <b>COPIES and PUBLICATION</b><br><br>I have sent a copy of my report to the Chief Coroner and to the following Interested Persons:<br><br>1) The family of Javaid Iqbal<br><br>I am also under a duty to send the Chief Coroner a copy of your response.<br><br>The Chief Coroner may publish either or both in a complete or redacted or summary form. He may send a copy of this report to any person who he believes may find it useful or of interest. You may make representations to me, the coroner, at the time of your response, about the release or the publication of your response by the Chief Coroner. |  |
| 9 | <b>Dated</b><br><br>22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2016   | <b>Signed</b><br><br>Mr Kevin McLoughlin |