

## Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB)

*As per the Equal Opportunities (Persons with Disability) Act I of 2000 Cap. 413 of the Laws of Malta*

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6th August 2020

Our Ref: 20200730\_TORB07

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PA/08324/19 – Żabbar – Taking all arguments in consideration, the TORB concluded that it did not have sufficient information on the matter in order to make a decision. The applicants should provide further information as discussed during the Board.

On Thursday 30th July 2020 the Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB) discussed a request for exemption received on the above indicated permit application. Perit Karl Grech was present on behalf of the applicant.

CRPD objected on the following non-conforming elements:

- Main entrance should be marked and indicated on plan with spot levels on both sides as per AADG 2011.
- Lift cabin dimensions should be marked and indicated on plan as per AADG 2011 (Check AADG 2011, page 38-41).
- All internal spot levels should be marked and indicated on plan 'where a line could refer to as a step' (leading to office at level 1,2).
- All internal door should be marked and indicated on plan with their respective openings (one leaf of a minimum of 900mm).
- No accessible for all sanitary facilities have been provided (Accessible sanitary facilities should be marked and indicated on plan using the international logo of access as per AADG 2011 (door opening outwards).
- Entrances leading to terraces should be marked and indicated on plan with spot levels on both sides as per AADG (At level 1,2).
- Maximum threshold of 15mm.
- External paving material should be added to all outdoor areas (non-slip).

Case was already discussed on the TORB in June 2020 whereby an exemption had not been granted in view that further solutions were possible. Since the previous TORB the applicants rectified plans to show a larger lift shaft, widening of openings, increased septh landings and the removal of steps to lift at Ground Floor Level.

Exemption requested in view of site limitations since the ground floor space does not permit an adequate lift shaft dimensions as accordign to AADG 2011.

Taking all arguments in consideration, the TORB could not make a decision in view that the proposed lift cabin dimensions were not provided. The applicant is requested to provide these in order to be re-considered for exemption.



Ms. Rita Vella  
Chairperson  
Test of Reasonableness Board