

ENGINEERED TO PROTECT

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Rico Engineering Works Pte Ltd

Safety for all – that is what Rico Engineering Works Pte Ltd aims to achieve. The comprehensive fire protection solutions company stands out from the competition by being one of the most reliable, especially in time-sensitive and urgent projects. Mr Jeffrey Piak, founder and Managing Director, strives tirelessly to perfect their fire protection solutions, and it is an effort that has garnered them some of the largest clients and projects in Singapore.

Founded in 1990 and corporatized in 1998, the company is proficient in the design, installation, and maintenance of numerous systems, such as Fire Alarm Systems (Conventional & Addressable, SS CP10 & UL/FM Approved), Fixed Sprinkler Systems (Wet Pipe, Dry Pipe, Pre-Action, Deluge), Fire Hosereel/ Hydrant Systems, Dry and Wet Riser Systems, Portable and Trolley Fire Extinguishers, Engineered Smoke Control Systems, and Fixed Gas Extinguishing Systems.

Their high-key projects include Nex@Serangoon, Altez, Pinnacle@Duxton, and Equinix Singapore, and Mr Piak notes that many of the projects had put the company to the test, with one particular example being Pinnacle@Duxton. As the first of its kind in Singapore, the enormous Super High-Rise Residential Development was so unique that the Fire Safety and Shelter Department (FSSD) of the Singapore Civil Defence Force (SCDF) had to create new fire safety regulations and fire codes for it. This unusual circumstance meant that Rico Engineering had to quickly adapt their protection solutions to accommodate the new regulations, successfully doing so due to the team's expertise and intimate familiarity with high-quality fire protection equipment and installation protocols.

"We are sincere, provide a fast service, always deliver on our promises, and are competitively priced," Mr Piak professes. Emphasising the importance of safety, for both his clients and his staff, Mr Piak has endeavoured to create a safe working environment, something that he believes contributes not only to the efficiency of his workers, but to the quality of their work. Today, the company has been awarded with a BizSafe Star, the highest level of accreditation for workplace safety by the Workplace Safety and Health Council of Singapore.

Looking to increase their operational scale domestically, as well as to move into the Malaysian market, Mr Piak remains confident of the company's capabilities and potential. Taking into consideration Singapore's never-ending redevelopment and numerous construction projects, Rico Engineering Works Pte Ltd's growth is certainly assured.



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Up Close & Personal

What made you pursue a business in this field?

I had no capital back then as my family was not financially strong. I selected this business because it required the least capital.

Were there any notable challenges that you had to overcome?

Yes, with the increasingly tight regulations meted out by the Ministry of Manpower (MOM), our labor costs have increased, whilst at the same time we face a strong price competition from many new startups.

What are your interests outside of work?

Travelling and spending quality time with my family.

What would you like your legacy to be?

I would like my legacy to be for Rico Engineering Works to have not just contributed and ensured the safety of buildings within the country, but also to have given back to society in every meaningful way possible.

How do you measure success?

Success to me is not about achieving the impossible, but about ensuring that everything else possible has been achieved with the greatest results.