

Policy

BUILDING SERVICES BOARD

Equivalent qualification – building practitioner (set 1)

Purpose

The objective of this policy is to guide members of the Building Services Board (the Board), Departmental officers with powers delegated by the Board and Departmental staff in making appropriate, consistent and legally defensible assessments of qualifications submitted by applicants for registration as building practitioners.

Scope

This policy applies to all applications made for registration as a building practitioner lodged under regulation 16 (Set 1) of the Building Services (Registration) Regulations 2011 (the Regulations).

Background

Under section 17 of the *Building Services (Registration) Act 2011* and regulation 16 (Set 1) of the Regulations, the qualification requirements for a building practitioner registration are that the applicant has completed the –

(a) CPC50220 Diploma of Building and Construction (Building);

or

(b) CPC50210 Diploma of Building and Construction (Building) as described in the CPC08: Construction, Plumbing and Services Training Package published by Training.gov.au including the following units –

- i. CPCCBC4005A – Produce labour and material schedules for ordering;
- ii. CPCCBC4018A – Apply site surveys and set-out procedures to building and construction projects;
- iii. CPCCBC5005A – Select and manage building and construction contractors;
- iv. CPCCBC5007A – Administer the legal obligations of a building construction contract;
- v. CPCSUS5001A – Develop workplace policies and procedures for sustainability; and
- vi. CPCCBC4014A – Prepare simple building sketches and drawings.

or

(c) an equivalent qualification as determined by the Board.

The CPC50220 Diploma of Building and Construction (Building) supersedes the previous CPC50210 Diploma. As the number of units in the CPC50220 qualification has been increased, no additional prescribed units have been specified in the Regulations for persons who obtain this qualification.

Terms Used

Diploma certificate	A certificate issued by a RTO to an applicant who has successfully obtained the CPC50220 Diploma of Building and Construction (Building) or CPC50210 Diploma of Building and Construction (Building).
RTO	A Registered Training Organisation who has been approved by Training.gov.au to deliver the CPC50220 Diploma of Building and Construction (Building) or CPC50210 Diploma of Building and Construction (Building).
Statement of Attainment	A statement issued by a RTO listing the successful completion of units required by the Board to be eligible to obtain a building practitioner registration.

Policy Principles and Implementation

Generally

The following policy does not constrain the Board's capacity to depart from this policy as appropriate to the circumstances of any particular building practitioner application.

The Board revokes all previous resolutions regarding qualifications for registration as a building practitioner under regulation 16 (Set 1) of the Regulations.

CPC50220 Diploma of Building and Construction (Building)

The CPC50220 Diploma of Building and Construction (Building) is the required course for registration as a building practitioner under Set 1. Applicants are required to provide a copy of their Diploma certificate as proof of completion.

Applicants must also provide evidence that they have completed the unit of competency – Prepare to work safely in the construction industry – (white card).

CPC50210 Diploma of Building and Construction (Building) to continue to be accepted

Persons completing the CPC50210 Diploma are required to complete the following units for registration purposes in Western Australia –

Core units

- CPCCBC4001A Apply building codes and standards to the construction process for low rise building projects
- CPCCBC4003A Select and prepare a construction contract
- CPCCBC4004A Identify and produce estimated costs for building and construction projects

- CPCCBC4010B Apply structural principles to residential low rise constructions
- CPCCBC4013A Prepare and evaluate tender documentation
- CPCCBC5001B Apply building codes and standards to the construction process for medium rise building projects
- CPCCBC5002A Monitor costing systems on medium rise building and construction projects
- CPCCBC5003A Supervise the planning of on-site medium rise building or construction work
- CPCCBC5010B Manage construction work
- CPCCBC5018A Apply structural principles to the construction of medium rise buildings
- BSBOHS504B Apply principles of OHS risk management
- BSBPMG505A Manage project quality
- BSBPMG508A Manage project risk

Elective units specified by the Regulations

- CPCCBC4005A Produce labour and material schedules for ordering
 - CPCCBC4018A Apply site surveys and set out procedures to building and construction projects
 - CPCCBC5005A Select and manage building and construction contractors
 - CPCCBC5007A Administer the legal obligations of a building or construction contractor
- or
- CPCCBC5007B Administer the legal obligations of a building or construction contractor
 - CPCCBC5001A Develop workplace policies and procedures for sustainability
 - CPCCBC4014A Prepare simple building sketches and drawings

Completion of all of the above 19 units, or any unit that was superseded by any of the above units, or any unit that has since superseded any of the above units, is required.

Applicants are required to provide a copy of their Diploma certificate and a Statement of Attainment to fully inform the Board of each unit they have completed.

Applicants applying under this pathway must also provide evidence that they have completed the unit of competency – Prepare to work safely in the construction industry – (white card).

Equivalent qualifications

Applicants who have completed a qualification or diploma course that is not the prescribed Diploma can apply to a RTO for recognition of prior learning to determine which, if any, units of their completed qualification may be credited under the current course.

Policy Implementation

Departmental officers reporting to the Board will present assessments of qualifications in a manner that conforms to this policy and will inform applicants of this policy.


Other Relevant Policies and documents

Building Services Board resolution of 14 September 2021

Building Services Board resolution of 10 July 2012

Building Services Board policy 12 March 2015

Governance

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