



Late applications for registration renewal

This industry bulletin contains important information for builders, painters and building surveyors whose registrations have expired and who have not submitted an application for renewal.

Under the *Building Services Registration Act 2011*, there is a six month period in which people can request the Building Services Board to accept a late application for registration renewal. **For example, for people whose registrations expired on 1 February 2013, this six month period ends on 31 July 2013.**

Should this apply to you and you are considering lodging a late application please do so before the end of the month. If you have decided not to lodge a late application for registration renewal, please be aware that there may be some significant consequences as a result, particularly in regard to your registration status.

If you failed to make an application for renewal by the expiry date, then your registration expired on that date. For example, if you were due to renew your registration by 1 February 2013 and you failed to submit an application for renewal, then your registration expired on 1 February 2013.

If you have continued to provide services that require registration after the expiry date you may have committed an offence. For building contractors, building permits naming them as the builder are suspended once registration expires and any works done after the expiry date may be unauthorised.

If you lodge a late application and it is accepted by the Board, your registration will automatically be extended from the expiry date and you can continue to act as a registered person until your application is approved or rejected. If you are a builder, any current building permits in which you were named as the builder would not be suspended.

All late applications are subject to a decision by the Building Services Board on whether to accept them and a late application fee applies.

Please contact the Building Commission's renewals team if you require further clarification on 1300 489 099 or bcregistration@dmirs.wa.gov.au.

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