

Providing a Notice for the Home Owner

This industry bulletin reminds builders of their responsibility to provide a current version of the Notice to the Home Owner when it is required and how they can access a copy of the notice. Please note that *printed* copies of the notice are no longer available for purchase from the State Law Publisher.

When do builders need to provide a copy of the notice?

The Notice for the Home Owner is a requirement under the *Home Building Contracts Act 1991*. The Act applies to parties entering into a 'home building work contract', being a contract for the performance of 'home building work' or 'associated work', where the value of the fixed price contract is between \$7,500 and \$500,000.

Before a home building work contract is signed by the owner, the Act requires the builder to provide the owner with a copy of the Notice for the Home Owner, which summarises the requirements of the Act. For more information refer to the Building Commission's *Home Building Contracts Act* fact sheet.

Where can builders get a copy of the notice?

The Notice for the Home Owner is the entire Schedule 1 of the Home Building Contracts Regulations 1992. A copy of the Notice for the Home Owner is available on the Building Commission website. A copy of the full Regulations is available for download on the State Law Publisher website www.slp.wa.gov.au.

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For assistance with obtaining a copy of the Notice for the Home Owner, please contact the Building Commission on 1300 489 099 or email bcinfo@dmirs.wa.gov.au.

How can builders ensure they are using the current version of the notice?

The Regulations may be updated from time to time, and it is the builder's responsibility to ensure they are providing the home owner with a current copy of the Notice for the Home Owner. Builders should be mindful that if they are photocopying or accessing a previously downloaded version of the notice, it may cease to be the current version.

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