



Application for Construction Occupation Licence Individual Building Assessor

Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004, s128 and s17

This approved form is to be used for individuals applying under the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004* to the Construction Occupations Registrar for a building assessor licence to provide building assessment services in the ACT. This application will not be considered unless it is complete and all supporting documentation provided.

All supporting documentation must:

- be originals or certified true copies of original documents where relevant; and
- be in English. If original documents are not in English, you must provide a certified copy of the original document and an official translation of the document.

For detailed information on eligibility criteria please refer to [Building Assessors Licensing](#) on the www.planning.act.gov.au website.

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Section A — Personal Details

Title _____ Surname _____

Given Names _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____

Business Address _____

Suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Residential Address _____

Suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Postal Address _____

Suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Phone Number (Business Hours) _____ Fax _____

Mobile Number* _____ Email* _____

**Please note that under the Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004 it is a requirement to provide a valid mobile telephone number and email address.*

I understand that it is a requirement under law that should my licence be issued I must notify the Construction Occupations Registrar of any changes to my details within two weeks of the change.

I understand

Section B — Existing licence

Have you previously or do you currently hold an ACT construction occupation licence?

Yes — licence Number _____ expiry date _____

No — proceed to Section C – Occupation class and functions.

Section C — Occupation class and functions

A building assessor is an entity that provides a building assessment service. A building assessment service is the doing of building assessment work. Building assessment work is preparing and providing an energy efficiency certificate under the *Building Act 2004*; or an energy efficiency statement; or a statement, certificate or other document prescribed by regulation. Energy efficiency certificate is defined under s139 C of the *Building Act 2004*.

What class of building assessor licence are you applying for?

Class A – licence authorises the doing of anything allowed to be done under a class B building assessor licence and the following building assessment work, based on an on-site inspection: preparing an energy efficiency certificate under the *Building Act 2004*; or preparing an energy efficiency rating statement.

Class B – licence authorises the following building assessment work, based on plans of a building: preparing an energy efficiency certificate under the *Building Act 2004*; or preparing an energy efficiency rating statement.

Section D — Evidence of qualifications/eligibility — Class A Building Assessor

Complete this section only if you are applying for a class A building assessor licence.

Qualification: A minimum certificate IV level qualification in building; building design; an engineering discipline; an environmental discipline; or a discipline encompassing residential building construction and design, building energy use and energy efficiency and related standards, and the thermal performance of residential buildings. This qualification must be issued by a Registered Training Organisation;

OR

Accreditation: a current accreditation as a Nationwide House Energy Scheme assessor issued by an Assessor Accrediting Organisation approved under that scheme.

Yes — please attach a certified copy of the qualification or accreditation.

No — please note that you may not be eligible for a licence.

AND

Qualification: Completed the *Building Thermal Performance Assessment (Residential)* software operation training modules (91318NSW) in the software to be used.

Yes — please attach a certified copy of the qualification and fill out the software details below

No — please note that you may not be eligible for a licence.

Name of software the licence is to be endorsed for: _____

AND

Qualification: *Assess the construction of domestic scale buildings (BCGSV5001A)*

- Yes — please attach a certified copy of the qualification.
- No — please note that you may not be eligible for a licence.

AND

Qualification: *Assess construction faults in residential buildings (BCGSV5006A)*

- Yes — please attach a certified copy of the qualification.
- No — please note that you may not be eligible for a licence.

AND

Qualification: *Assess structural requirements of domestic scale buildings (BCGSV5015A)*

- Yes — please attach a certified copy of the qualification.
- No — please note that you may not be eligible for a licence.

Note: If your qualification is not from Australia, you will need to have it assessed to determine its equivalence within the Australian Qualifications Framework. Please refer to the following link for information about this process: <http://www.aqf.edu.au/news/using-the-aqf/fag/recognition-of-international-qualifications/>

Section D — Evidence of qualifications/eligibility — Class B Building Assessor

Complete this section only if you are applying for a Class B Building Assessor licence.

Qualification: A minimum certificate IV level qualification in building; building design; an engineering discipline; an environmental discipline; or a discipline encompassing residential building construction and design, building energy use and energy efficiency and related standards, and the thermal performance of residential buildings. This qualification must be issued by a Registered Training Organisation;

OR

Accreditation: a current accreditation as a Nationwide House Energy Scheme assessor issued by an Assessor Accrediting Organisation approved under that scheme.

- Yes — please attach a certified copy of the qualification.
- No — please note that you may not be eligible for a licence.

AND

Qualification: Completed the *Building Thermal Performance Assessment (Residential)* course (91318NSW).

- Yes — please attach a certified copy of the qualification.
- No — please note that you may not be eligible for a licence.

AND

Qualification: Completed the *Building Thermal Performance Assessment (Residential)* software operation training modules (91318NSW) in the software to be used.

Yes — please attach a certified copy of the qualification and fill in software details below.

No — please note that you may not be eligible for a licence.

Name of software the licence is to be endorsed for _____

Note: If your qualification is not from Australia, you will need to have it assessed to determine its equivalence within the Australian Qualifications Framework. Please refer to the following link for information about this process: <http://www.aqf.edu.au/news/using-the-aqf/fag/recognition-of-international-qualifications/>

Section E – Software Endorsement

The Construction Occupations Registrar may endorse a licence holder for the use of software (in addition to what the scope of licence already authorises) if satisfied that licensee can safely and competently perform the additional works. Please indicate what software you wish to be endorsed for:

**Please note that additional information may be required for endorsements to undertake specialist building work at the discretion of the Construction Occupations Registrar. You will be notified if additional information is required.*

Do you have additional qualifications or training relevant to each endorsement above?

Yes – please attach evidence of any additional qualifications/training

No

The Construction Occupations Registrar will take into consideration any demerit activity or disciplinary action recorded against the applicant under the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004*.

Section F – Insurance Requirements

A building assessor must have adequate Professional Indemnity insurance to be eligible for a licence. The insurance certificate must state that the applicant is an insured person under the policy. If the insurance is in a company name then the insurance certificate must contain a clause stating that employees are covered, and a letter from a director must also be provided confirming that the applicant is an employee covered by the company's insurance policy. Insurance must also meet the minimum requirements as prescribed under section 16B(2) of the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Regulation 2004* (the regulation).

Section 16B(2) of the regulation states 'an applicant is adequately insured if the applicant has professional indemnity insurance that provides

- a) indemnity against claims for breach of professional duty as a building assessor; and
- b) a minimum limit of indemnity of \$1,000,000 for a single claim.'

Yes — please attach a certified copy of the insurance certificate of currency, and if required, a copy of the insurance policy disclosure document.

No — please note that you may not be eligible for a licence.

Section G — Evidence of Financial Resources

Evidence of financial resources is required to help demonstrate your ability to fulfil contractual obligations when providing construction services. Failure to provide information below may result in your licence being refused.

1. **Do you have access to financial resources adequate to complete works performed under the licence applied for?**

Yes – please skip the next question

No – complete next question

2. **If 'No' to the above, do you wish to only operate as an employee under the licence applied for?**

Yes – I understand a condition may be imposed on the licence if issued

No — please note that if you do not wish to have a licence restricted to employee only, then you must ensure you have financial resources as requested above or you may be ineligible for a licence.

3. **Are you currently, or previously have been, deemed bankrupt or personally insolvent?**

Yes – please attach details and official documentation of bankruptcy/insolvency No

4. **I understand that it is a requirement under law that should my licence be issued, I must notify the Construction Occupations Registrar should I become bankrupt or personally insolvent.**

I have read and understand the above statement.

Section H — Licence History Declarations

1. **Have you previously held a Building Assessor licence elsewhere in Australia or overseas?**

Yes — provide details below of most recent licence/s (attach an additional page if required) No

State/Territory/Country _____ Expiry date: ____/____/____

2. **Is your licence as a Building Assessor, in Australia or overseas, currently suspended or cancelled?**

Yes — you must attach details No

3. **Have you previously had a building assessor licence cancelled, refused or suspended in Australia or overseas?**

Yes — you must provide comprehensive details in an attachment to this application No

4. **I understand that I must notify the Construction Occupations Registrar if my building assessor licence is cancelled, refused or suspended in Australia or overseas.**

I have read and understand the above statement.

5. **Has your building assessor licence ever been subject to conditions, undertakings, limitations or restrictions in Australia or overseas?**

Yes — you must provide comprehensive details in an attachment to this application No

6. **Are you disqualified under the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004*, or a corresponding prior Act, from applying for licence, or being licensed, in a construction occupation?**

Yes – you must provide comprehensive details in an attachment to this application No

- 7. Have you ever been, or are you currently, the subject of complaints, occupational discipline, demerit activity or rectification orders whilst licensed under the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004*, a corresponding prior Act, or the law of another jurisdiction in Australia or overseas, where those proceedings were not finalised?**

Yes – you must provide comprehensive details in an attachment to this application No

- 8. Have you been convicted or found guilty of a criminal offence* that involves fraud, dishonesty or violence and is punishable by imprisonment of 1 year or more?**

Yes — you must provide comprehensive details in an attachment to this application No
and a recent criminal history check (in the last three months).

**Please note: Spent convictions under the Spent Convictions Act 2000 do not need to be included in this declaration*

- 9. I understand that it is a requirement under law that should my licence be issued I must notify the Construction Occupations Registrar if I am convicted of such an offence in the future.**

I have read and understand the above statement.

- 10. I understand that it is a requirement under law that should my licence be issued I must not perform any licensable building assessment services that is outside the scope of what the licence authorises.**

I have read and understand the above statement.

- 11. I understand that it is a requirement under law that should my licence be issued I must give evidence to clients of the insurance I hold as a licensed individual in relation to any relevant licensable construction service I intend to undertake prior to providing the services.**

I have read and understand the above statement.

- 12. I understand that it is a requirement under law that should my licence be issued I must only advertise licensable construction services with my full name (as it appears on the licence) and my individual licence number.***

I have read and understand the above statement.

**Please note: It is an offence to advertise licensable construction services as an individual without including the above.*

- 13. I understand that it is a requirement under law that should I be issued a licence, all licensable assessment services I may perform under my building assessor licence must comply with all relevant legislation, codes and standards.**

I have read and understand the above statement.

Please note: Building assessor services may be audited by the Construction Occupations Registrar in the ACT for compliance against the relevant laws. Individual licence holders identified performing non-compliant services may be subject to occupational discipline or other licensing action.

Section I — Consent and Application Declaration

I,

_____ ,
Insert name, address and occupation of person making the declaration

make the following declaration:

1. I declare:

- a) that I make this application to the Construction Occupations Registrar for a construction occupations licence and that all statements, and the documents/information provided in support of the application, are accurate, true and correct.

2. I authorise and consent:

- a) to the Construction Occupations Registrar and Environment and Planning Directorate (EPD) to make enquiries of, and exchange information with, the relevant regulatory authorities of any Australian State or Territory, or other country, regarding my construction occupation licence and practice as a building assessor or otherwise regarding matters relevant to this application.
- b) to receiving information from the Construction Occupations Registrar relevant to my construction occupation licence or the construction industry electronically.

3. I acknowledge:

- a) that the Construction Occupations Registrar and EPD may validate documents provided in support of this application or wish to confirm my identity.
- b) that failure to complete all relevant sections of this application and enclose all supporting documentation may result in this application not being accepted or additional fees being applied as per the statutory instrument authorising fees to be taken under the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004*.
- c) that the Construction Occupations Registrar has the legal right to refuse my application if not satisfied that I am eligible to hold a licence or impose a condition on my licence if it is deemed necessary or desirable to protect the public.

4. Should I be issued with a construction occupations licence I undertake:

- a) to comply with the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004* (and its operational Acts) and the codes, standards and guidelines relevant to my construction occupation licence when providing, or offering to provide, a relevant construction service.

5. I believe that the statements (1 - 4) in this declaration are true and correct.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Section J — Payment Details

View the [fees and charges booklet](#) for licence applications for more information.

Upon lodgement of your application you will be required to pay an application assessment fee. This fee is **non-refundable**. You will be provided with a notice of decision in relation to your application. If your application is approved a licence term fee will be payable prior to the issue of your licence. Please note that additional fees may apply if you submit an incomplete application without required supporting documents.

Section K — Lodgement and Contact Information

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