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A Bill for

An Act to regulate the practice of land surveying, and for other purposes

The Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory enacts as follows:

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Part 1 Preliminary

Section 1

Part 1 Preliminary

2	1	Name of Act	
3		This Act is the Surveyors Act 2007.	
4	2	Commencement	
5 6		This Act commences on a day fixed by the Minister by written notice.	
7 8		<i>Note 1</i> The naming and commencement provisions automatically commence on the notification day (see Legislation Act, s 75 (1)).	
9 10 11		<i>Note 2</i> A single day or time may be fixed, or different days or times may be fixed, for the commencement of different provisions (see Legislation Act, s 77 (1)).	
12 13 14		<i>Note 3</i> If a provision has not commenced within 6 months beginning on the notification day, it automatically commences on the first day after that period (see Legislation Act, s 79).	
15	3	Dictionary	
16		The dictionary at the end of this Act is part of this Act.	
17 18 19		<i>Note 1</i> The dictionary at the end of this Act defines certain terms used in this Act, and includes references (<i>signpost definitions</i>) to other terms defined elsewhere in this Act.	
20 21 22		For example, the signpost definition ' <i>inquiry</i> , for division 3.3 (Disciplinary action)—see section 25.' means that the term 'inquiry' is defined in that section.	
23 24 25 26		<i>Note 2</i> A definition in the dictionary (including a signpost definition) applies to the entire Act unless the definition, or another provision of the Act, provides otherwise or the contrary intention otherwise appears (see Legislation Act, s 155 and s 156 (1)).	

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1	4	Notes
2		A note included in this Act is explanatory and is not part of this Act.
3 4		<i>Note</i> See the Legislation Act, s 127 (1), (4) and (5) for the legal status of notes.
5	5	Offences against Act—application of Criminal Code etc
6		Other legislation applies in relation to offences against this Act.
7		Note 1 Criminal Code
8 9		The Criminal Code, ch 2 applies to all offences against this Act (see Code, pt 2.1).
10 11 12 13		The chapter sets out the general principles of criminal responsibility (including burdens of proof and general defences), and defines terms used for offences to which the Code applies (eg <i>conduct</i> , <i>intention</i> , <i>recklessness</i> and <i>strict liability</i>).
14		Note 2 Penalty units
15 16		The Legislation Act, s 133 deals with the meaning of offence penalties that are expressed in penalty units.

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Part 2 Registration of surveyors

2 Division 2.1 Registration

Note about application of the Mutual Recognition Act 1992 (Cwlth) and the Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition Act 1997 (Cwlth) (the Commonwealth Acts)

The Commonwealth Acts allow people registered in certain occupations in a State, the ACT, Northern Territory or New Zealand (a *local jurisdiction*) to carry on the occupations in another local jurisdiction and provide another way of applying for registration in the ACT or another local jurisdiction. Because of the Self-Government Act, s 28, the requirements for registration under this Act cannot validly require anything of people being registered in accordance with the Commonwealth Acts that would be inconsistent with those Acts. Accordingly, provisions of this part, such as the requirements for applications, do not apply to the registration of people in accordance with the Commonwealth Acts set out when conditions may be placed on people registered in accordance with those Acts. For more information, see the Commonwealth Acts.

6 Application for registration

- (1) A person may apply to the chief surveyor for registration as a surveyor.
 - *Note 1* If a form is approved under s 81 for the application, the form must be used.
 - *Note 2* A fee may be determined under s 80 for this provision.
 - (2) The chief surveyor may, in writing, require the applicant to give the chief surveyor additional information in writing or documents that the chief surveyor reasonably needs to decide the application.
- (3) If the applicant does not comply with a requirement under subsection (2), the chief surveyor may refuse to consider the application further.

1	7		Eligibility for registration
2		(1)	A person is eligible to be registered as a surveyor if—
3			(a) the person has previously been registered in the ACT; and
4 5 6			(b) the chief surveyor is satisfied that the person has a working knowledge of current surveying practices and any practice directions; and
7 8			(c) the person's registration was not cancelled other than in accordance with a request by the surveyor.
9 10 11 12 13 14			<i>Note</i> Under the <i>Mutual Recognition Act 1992</i> (Cwlth) and the <i>Trans-Tasman</i> <i>Mutual Recognition Act 1997</i> (Cwlth) the chief surveyor will also register as surveyors people who are registered, licensed or otherwise authorised to carry out surveys in a State, the Northern Territory or New Zealand, if the surveys authorised to be carried out are substantially the same.
15 16 17 18 19 20		(2)	However, a person who would be eligible under subsection (1) but for the cancellation of the person's registration, is eligible to be registered as a surveyor if the chief surveyor is satisfied, after considering the reason for the cancellation and anything relevant that the person has done since the cancellation, that the person should be registered.
21 22 23 24			 Examples 1 the cancellation was because of a failure to pay a registration fee and the fee is paid 2 the cancellation was because the surveyor carried out a survey that was
25 26 27			inaccurate because the surveyor lacked knowledge of current surveying practices, but since cancellation, the surveyor has acquired sufficient knowledge of current surveying practices
28 29 30			<i>Note</i> An example is part of the Act, is not exhaustive and may extend, but does not limit, the meaning of the provision in which it appears (see Legislation Act, s 126 and s 132).

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Part 2	Registration of surveyors
Division 2.1	Registration
Section 8	

1	8		Decision on registration application
2 3		(1)	On application by a person for registration as a surveyor, the chief surveyor must—
4			(a) register the person; or
5			(b) refuse to register the person.
6 7		(2)	However, the chief surveyor must refuse to register the person if the person is not eligible for registration.
8		(3)	If the chief surveyor registers the person, the chief surveyor must—
9 10			(a) give the person a unique identifying number (a <i>registration number</i>); and
11 12			(b) give the person a certificate (a <i>registration certificate</i>), signed by the chief surveyor, that states—
13			(i) the person's name; and
14			(ii) the date of registration; and
15			(iii) the person's registration number.
16	9		Registration condition
17 18 19		(1)	It is a condition of a surveyor's registration that the surveyor undertakes continuing professional development in accordance with any guidelines under subsection (2).
20 21		(2)	The chief surveyor may make guidelines about continuing professional development for surveyors.
22 23		(3)	However, the chief surveyor must consult the advisory committee about a proposed guideline before making the guideline.
24		(4)	A guideline is a notifiable instrument.
25			<i>Note</i> A notifiable instrument must be notified under the Legislation Act.

1	10		Wh	en does registration end?
2			A pe	erson's registration ends—
3 4 5			(a)	if the registration is cancelled under section 22 (Cancellation after s 20 suspension)—when the cancellation takes effect under section 22 (2); or
6 7 8			(b)	if the registration is cancelled under section 23 (Cancellation of registration for incapacity)—when the cancellation takes effect under section 23 (4); or
9 10 11			(c)	if the registration is cancelled under section 39 (Disciplinary action)—when the cancellation takes effect under section 39 (6) (b); or
12 13 14			(d)	if the registration is cancelled under section 41 (Voluntary cancellation of registration)—when the chief surveyor cancels the registration; or
15			(e)	if the person dies.
16	Divi	sior	n 2.2	2 Surveyors register
17	11		Kee	ping surveyors register
18 19		(1)		chief surveyor must ensure a surveyors register is kept in ordance with this Act.
20		(2)	The	surveyors register—
21			(a)	may be kept in any form, including electronically; and
22			(b)	must be made available to the public.
23 24		(3)		vever, subsection (2) (b) does not apply to details in the eyor's register about—
25			(a)	a surveyor's date of birth; and

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	Part 2 Division 2.2		Registration of surveyors Surveyors register
-	Section	n 12	
1 2			(b) if a surveyor's registration has been suspended—the grounds for suspension; and
3			(c) anything else prescribed by regulation.
4 5		(4)	Any mistake, error or omission in the surveyors register may be corrected.
6	12		Details to be entered in surveyors register
7 8		(1)	The following details must be entered in the surveyors register in relation to a surveyor:
9			(a) the surveyor's name;
10 11 12 13			(b) the address of each place (a <i>registered business address</i>) where the surveyor carries on the practice of surveying or, if the surveyor does not have a registered business address, the surveyor's home address;
14			(c) the surveyor's date of birth;
15			(d) the surveyor's registration number;
16			(e) the date of registration;
17			(f) if the surveyor's registration has been suspended—
18			(i) the grounds for suspension; and
19			(ii) the period of suspension;
20			(g) any other details prescribed by regulation.
21		(2)	The surveyors register may contain other details.
22	13		Register information may be shared
23			Information in the register, including information that is not
24 25			available to the public, may be given to a local registering authority to assist in the regulation of surveyors in the local jurisdiction.

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	Part 2 Division 2.2	Registration of surveyors Surveyors register
	Section 15	
1	(2)	A surveyor commits an offence if—
2		(a) the surveyor does not have a registered business address; and
3		(b) either of the following changes happen:
4		(i) the surveyor's home address changes;
5		(ii) the surveyor gets a business address; and
6		(c) the surveyor fails to tell the chief surveyor, in writing, about
7		the change as soon as practicable but not later than 21 days
8		after the day the change happens.
9		Maximum penalty: 5 penalty units.
10	(3)	An offence against this section is a strict liability offence.

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Part 3 Regulatory action

2 **Division 3.1 Continuing registration**

3	16	Meaning of <i>continuation notice</i> —div 3.1
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4 In this division:

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5 *continuation notice*—see section 19.

6 **17 Continuation notice fee**

- (1) This section applies if a fee is determined under section 80 for giving a continuation notice.
- (2) To remove any doubt, a continuation notice is taken not to have been given unless the fee is paid.

11 18 Continuation notice reminders

- (1) Before the beginning of a financial year, the chief surveyor may send a notice (a *continuation notice reminder*) to a surveyor.
- (2) A continuation notice reminder must—
 - (a) be addressed to the surveyor; and
 - (b) include information to the following effect:
 - (i) that the surveyor must give the chief surveyor a continuation notice before the beginning of the financial year if the surveyor intends to continue to be registered in the financial year;
 - (ii) that the surveyor's registration will be automatically suspended on 1 September in the financial year if the surveyor does not give the chief surveyor a continuation notice for the financial year by 31 August in the financial year;

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	Part 3 Division 3.1	Regulatory action Continuing registration		
	Section 19			
1 2		(iii) that the surveyor's registration will be automatically cancelled on the day after the end of the financial year if		
2 3 4 5		the surveyor does not give the chief surveyor a continuation notice for the financial year before the end of the financial year; and		
6 7		(c) set out any fee determined for giving a continuation notice, including any higher fee for—		
8		(i) late payment before 1 September; and		
9		(ii) late payment on or after 1 September.		
10 11 12	(3)	If the chief surveyor fails to send a continuation notice reminder for a surveyor's registration, or the notice is not received by the surveyor, the failure or nonreceipt does not affect—		
13		(a) any suspension or cancellation of the registration; or		
14 15 16		(b) the obligation of the surveyor to give a continuation notice for a financial year if the surveyor intends to continue to be registered in the financial year.		
17	19	Annual continuation notice for registration		
18 19 20		Before the beginning of a financial year, a surveyor must give the chief surveyor written notice (a <i>continuation notice</i>) that the surveyor intends to continue to be registered in the financial year.		
21 22		<i>Note 1</i> If a form is approved under section 81 for this provision, the form must be used.		
23		<i>Note 2</i> A fee may be determined under section 80 for this provision.		
24		<i>Note 3</i> For how documents may be served, see the Legislation Act, pt 19.5.		
25	20	No continuation notice by 31 August		
26 27 28	(1)	This section applies if a surveyor has not given the chief surveyor a continuation notice for a financial year by 31 August in the financial year.		

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1 2		(2)	The surveyor's registration is automatically suspended on 1 September in the financial year.
3	21		Lifting s 20 suspension
4 5		(1)	This section applies if a surveyor's registration is suspended under section 20 in a financial year.
6 7 8		(2)	If, before the financial year ends, the surveyor gives the chief surveyor a continuation notice for the financial year, the suspension ends.
9 10		(3)	The suspension ends when the surveyor gives the chief surveyor the notice.
11 12			<i>Note 1</i> If a form is approved under section 81 for this provision, the form must be used.
13			<i>Note 2</i> A fee may be determined under section 80 for this provision.
14 15			<i>Note 3</i> For when documents are taken to be served, see the Legislation Act, s 250.
16	22		Cancellation after s 20 suspension
17 18 19		(1)	This section applies if a surveyor does not give the chief surveyor a continuation notice for a financial year before the end of the financial year.
20 21		(2)	The surveyor's registration is automatically cancelled on the day after the end of the financial year.

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Part 3
Division 3.2Regulatory action
Cancellation of registration for incapacitySection 23

Division 3.2 Cancellation of registration for incapacity

3	23		Cancellation of registration for incapacity
4 5		(1)	This section applies if the chief surveyor believes on reasonable grounds that—
6 7			(a) a surveyor has become mentally or physically incapacitated; and
8 9			(b) the incapacity substantially affects the surveyor's ability to practise surveying.
10		(2)	The chief surveyor may cancel the surveyor's registration.
11 12		(3)	However, the chief surveyor must not cancel the surveyor's registration unless—
13			(a) the chief surveyor—
14 15			(i) gives the surveyor written notice under section 24 of the chief surveyor's intention to cancel the registration; and
16 17			(ii) takes into consideration any response received from the surveyor in accordance with the notice; and
18			(b) the chief surveyor is satisfied that—
19			(i) the surveyor is mentally or physically incapacitated; and
20 21			(ii) the incapacity substantially affects the surveyor's ability to practise surveying; and
22 23			(c) at least 15 business days have passed since the day the notice was given under section 24.

1 2	(4)	Cancellation of a person's registration under this section takes effect—
3 4		(a) when written notice of the cancellation is given to the person; or
5 6		(b) if the written notice of the cancellation states a later date—on the stated date.
7	24	Notice of intention to cancel registration for incapacity
8		A notice under this section given to a surveyor must—
9 10		(a) state that the chief surveyor intends to cancel the surveyor's registration; and
11 12		(b) explain why the chief surveyor intends to cancel the registration; and
13 14 15		(c) state that the surveyor may, within 12 business days after the day the surveyor is given the notice, give a written response to the chief surveyor about the matters in the notice.
16		<i>Note</i> For how documents may be served, see the Legislation Act, pt 19.5.
17	Divisior	n 3.3 Disciplinary action
18	25	Definitions—div 3.3
19		In this division:
20		<i>disciplinary notice</i> —see section 27.
21		inquiry means a hearing under section 31.
22		surveyor—
23		(a) in relation to an act or omission, means—
24		(i) a registered person; or

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	Part 3 Division 3.3			Regulatory action Disciplinary action
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1 2				(ii) a person who was registered at the time of the act or omission; and
3 4			(b)	in any other case—includes a person whose registration has been cancelled.
5	26		Gro	unds for disciplinary action
6 7		(1)		n of the following is a <i>ground for disciplinary action</i> against a eyor:
8 9 10			(a)	the surveyor gave information in relation to the application for registration that was false or misleading in a material particular;
11 12			(b)	the surveyor has certified to the accuracy of a survey knowing it to be inaccurate;
13 14 15			(c)	the surveyor has, deliberately or through carelessness or incompetence, carried out a survey that is so inaccurate or defective as to be unreliable;
16 17 18			(d)	a survey has been carried out, or a plan prepared, by or under the supervision of the surveyor, that contravenes section 58 (Surveys and plans to comply with practice directions);
19			(e)	the surveyor has contravened, or is contravening, this Act;
20 21 22				<i>Note</i> A reference to an Act includes a reference to the statutory instruments made or in force under the Act, including regulations (see Legislation Act, s 104).
23			(f)	both of the following apply:
24 25 26 27				 (i) the surveyor has been convicted or found guilty in Australia of an offence involving fraud, dishonesty or violence that is punishable by imprisonment for 1 year or longer;
28 29				(ii) the chief surveyor is satisfied that committing the offence affects the surveyor's suitability to practise surveying;

1			(g) both of the following apply:
2			(i) the surveyor has been convicted or found guilty outside
3			Australia of an offence involving fraud, dishonesty or
4 5			violence that, if it had been committed in the ACT, would be punishable by imprisonment for 1 year or longer;
6 7			(ii) the chief surveyor is satisfied that committing the offence affects the surveyor's suitability to practise surveying.
8		(2)	To remove any doubt, a ground for disciplinary action applies to a
9			surveyor who is no longer registered if the ground applied to the
10			surveyor while registered.
11	27		When disciplinary notice may be given
12			If the chief surveyor is satisfied that a ground for disciplinary action
13			exists, or may exist, in relation to a surveyor, the chief surveyor may
14			give the surveyor a notice (a <i>disciplinary notice</i>).
15	28		Disciplinary notices
16		(1)	A disciplinary notice given to a surveyor must—
17			(a) state the grounds on which the notice is given; and
18			(b) state details of each ground that the chief surveyor is satisfied
19			would allow a reasonable person to identify the circumstances
20			that give rise to the ground; and
21			(c) state where and when the inquiry into the grounds will be held;
22			and
23			(d) if the surveyor's registration is suspended under section 29-
24			state that the surveyor's registration is suspended until the
25			inquiry into the grounds is finished or the suspension is ended
26			under section 30 (End of suspension for inquiry).

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Part 3	Regulatory action
Division 3.3	Disciplinary action
Section 29	

1 2 3 4		(2)	For subsection (1) (c), the time for holding the inquiry must be not less than 10 days and, if the surveyor's registration is suspended when the disciplinary notice is sent, not more than 28 days, after the day the surveyor is given the notice.
5	29		Suspension during inquiry
6 7		(1)	This section applies if the chief surveyor gives, or proposes to give, a disciplinary notice to a surveyor.
8 9		(2)	The chief surveyor may suspend the surveyor's registration by the disciplinary notice or a later written notice given to the surveyor.
10 11		(3)	However, the chief surveyor may only suspend the registration under subsection (2) if the chief surveyor—
12 13 14			 (a) has taken into account the circumstances leading to the decision to give the disciplinary notice and the grounds stated in the notice; and
15 16 17			(b) believes on reasonable grounds that it is in the public interest to suspend the surveyor's registration until the inquiry into the grounds stated in the notice is finished.
18 19 20		(4)	If the chief surveyor suspends a surveyor's registration, the registration is suspended when the surveyor receives notice of the suspension.
21	30		End of suspension for inquiry
22 23		(1)	This section applies if the chief surveyor suspends a surveyor's registration under section 29.
24 25 26		(2)	The chief surveyor may, at any time before the inquiry is finished, end the surveyor's suspension by written notice given to the surveyor.

1 2		(3)	If the chief surveyor does not end a surveyor's suspension under subsection (2), the suspension ends—
3 4			(a) when the chief surveyor gives the surveyor notice under section 39 (5) (Disciplinary action); or
5 6 7			(b) if the chief surveyor takes disciplinary action against the surveyor under section 39—when the action takes effect under section 39 (6).
8	31		Inquiry to be held
9 10 11			If the chief surveyor gives a surveyor a disciplinary notice, the chief surveyor must hold a hearing to inquire into each ground for disciplinary action stated in the notice.
12	32		Inquiry procedure
13 14		(1)	The chief surveyor may decide any procedure for an inquiry in relation to which a procedure is not provided under this Act.
15 16 17			<i>Note</i> A reference to an Act includes a reference to the statutory instruments made or in force under the Act, including regulations (see Legislation Act, s 104).
18		(2)	The chief surveyor may adjourn an inquiry.
19	33		Evidence at inquiry
20		(1)	At an inquiry, the chief surveyor—
21			(a) must comply with the rules of natural justice; and
22 23			(b) is not bound by rules of evidence but may inform himself or herself in the way he or she considers appropriate.
24 25		(2)	At an inquiry, the surveyor whose actions are being inquired into may call witnesses.

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	Part 3 Division 3.3 Section 34	Regulatory action Disciplinary action
1	34	Legal representation at inquiry
2 3 4	(1)	A surveyor may be represented at an inquiry by a lawyer who may examine witnesses and address the chief surveyor on behalf of the surveyor.
5 6 7	(2)	The chief surveyor may appoint a lawyer to examine witnesses in an inquiry and advise the chief surveyor on any matter relating to the inquiry.
8 9		<i>Note</i> For the making of appointments (including acting appointments), see the Legislation Act, pt 19.3.
10 11	35	Chief surveyor may require appearance, information and documents
12 13	(1)	For an inquiry, the chief surveyor may, in writing, require a person to appear before the inquiry on a stated date—
14		(a) to give evidence; or
15 16		(b) to give evidence and produce a document or thing in the possession, custody or control of the person; or
17 18		(c) to produce a document or thing in the possession, custody or control of the person.
19 20		<i>Note</i> The Legislation Act, s 170 and s 171 deal with the application of the privilege against selfincrimination and client legal privilege.
21 22 23	(2)	The chief surveyor may give the surveyor whose actions are being inquired into, or the surveyor's lawyer, leave, subject to any condition—
24		(a) to inspect a document or thing produced under this section; and
25 26		(b) to make copies of, or take extracts from, a produced document for the inquiry.
27 28 29	(3)	A person is taken to have complied with a requirement under subsection (1) (c) if the person gives the document or thing to the chief surveyor before the date stated in the requirement.

1 2		(4)	The chief surveyor may set aside a requirement under subsection (1).
3	36		Failing to attend and failing to produce document or thing
4		(1)	A person commits an offence if—
5 6			(a) the person is required under section 35 to appear before an inquiry on a stated date—
7			(i) to give evidence; or
8 9			(ii) to give evidence and produce a document or thing in the possession, custody or control of the person; or
10 11			(iii) to produce a document or thing in the possession, custody or control of the person; and
12			(b) the person—
13			(i) fails to attend as required; or
14			(ii) fails to produce the document or thing as required.
15			Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units.
16 17			<i>Note</i> The Legislation Act, s 170 and s 171 deal with the application of the privilege against selfincrimination and client legal privilege.
18		(2)	This section does not apply if the person has a reasonable excuse.
19	37		Confidentiality and client communications
20		(1)	This section applies if a surveyor—
21 22			(a) is required to give confidential information to the chief surveyor for an inquiry in relation to the surveyor; or
23 24 25			(b) believes on reasonable grounds that it is necessary to give confidential information to the chief surveyor to explain an act or omission of the surveyor.

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	Part 3 Division 3	Regulatory action 3 Disciplinary action
	Section 38	
1 2	(2)	The surveyor is not civilly liable for giving the information to the chief surveyor.
3	(3)	In this section:
4 5		<i>confidential information</i> , in relation to a surveyor, means information given to the surveyor by a client in confidence.
6	38	Witness expenses
7 8 9	(1)	A requirement made of a person under section 35 (1) (a) or (b) (Chief surveyor may require appearance, information and documents) must be accompanied by—
10 11		(a) an undertaking to appear to be signed by the person and returned to the chief surveyor by the stated date; and
12 13		(b) a form to be completed by the person to claim the reasonable costs and expenses of attendance at the inquiry.
14 15	(2)	A person is not entitled to refuse to comply with the requirement only because the requirement was not accompanied by the form.
16	39	Disciplinary action
17 18	(1)	This section applies if an inquiry in relation to a surveyor has been held.
19 20	(2)	The chief surveyor must decide whether or not to take disciplinary action against the surveyor.
21 22 23	(3)	The chief surveyor may take disciplinary action against the surveyor if satisfied on reasonable grounds that a ground for disciplinary action is established in relation to the surveyor.
24 25	(4)	If the chief surveyor may take disciplinary action against the surveyor, the chief surveyor may do 1 or more of the following:
26		(a) reprimand the surveyor;

(b) require the surveyor to complete a stated course of training to the satisfaction of the chief surveyor;
(c) suspend the surveyor's registration for not longer than 3 years;
(d) cancel the surveyor's registration;
(e) cancel the surveyor's registration and disqualify the surveyor from applying for registration for a stated period or until a stated thing happens.
) If the chief surveyor decides not to take disciplinary action against the surveyor, the chief surveyor must, by written notice given to the surveyor, tell the surveyor about the decision.
) If the chief surveyor decides to take disciplinary action against the surveyor—
(a) the chief surveyor must, by written notice given to the surveyor, tell the surveyor about the decision; and
(b) the disciplinary action takes effect—
(i) when the notice is given to the surveyor; or
(ii) if the notice states a later date of effect—on the stated date.
Giving local registering authorities information about some disciplinary action
) This section applies if the chief surveyor suspends or cancels a surveyor's registration or disqualifies a surveyor from applying for registration.
) The chief surveyor must give each local registering authority the following information in relation to the surveyor:
(a) the name and any other identifying details of the surveyor;
(b) a short description of the disciplinary ground the disciplinary action was based on;
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	Part 3 Division 3.4	Regulatory action Other regulatory action
	Section 41	
1 2		(c) whether the registration has been suspended or cancelled or the surveyor disqualified;
3 4		(d) if the registration has been suspended—the period of suspension;
5 6		(e) if the surveyor has been disqualified—the period of disqualification;
7		(f) when the disciplinary action takes effect.
8 9 10	(3)	This section does not limit any other requirement or power, under this Act or another law in force in the ACT, to give information to a local registering authority.
11	Divisior	3.4 Other regulatory action
12	41	Voluntary cancellation of registration
13		The chief surveyor must cancel a surveyor's registration if—
14		(a) the surveyor asks, in writing, for the cancellation; and
15 16 17		(b) the surveyor gives the surveyor's registration certificate to the chief surveyor or satisfies the chief surveyor that the certificate has been lost, stolen or destroyed; and
18 19		(c) the chief surveyor has no ground for believing that the surveyor has contravened, or is contravening, this Act.
20	42	Inquiries about registered addresses
21	(1)	The chief surveyor may, by written notice, ask a surveyor—
22 23		(a) if the surveyor's address in the surveyors register is correct; and
24 25		(b) for a surveyor without a registered business address—if the surveyor has a business address.

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1 2		(2)	A notice under subsection (1) must state the consequences under subsection (3) of failing to respond to the notice.
3 4 5 6		(3)	If the chief surveyor does not receive an answer to a notice sent to a surveyor under subsection (1) by the end of the period of 2 months after the day the notice is sent to the surveyor, the chief surveyor may cancel the surveyor's registration.
7 8	43		Return of registration certificate on cancellation and suspension
9 10		(1)	This section applies to a person whose registration is suspended or cancelled.
11 12 13 14		(2)	The chief surveyor may, by written notice, require the person to return to the chief surveyor, as soon as practicable but not later than 14 days after the day the person receives the notice, the person's registration certificate.
15 16		(3)	A person must comply with a requirement made of the person under subsection (2).
17			Maximum penalty: 5 penalty units.
18		(4)	An offence against this section is a strict liability offence.

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Part 4The practice of surveyingDivision 4.1Interpretation—pt 4Section 44

Part 4 The practice of surveying

2 Division 4.1 Interpretation—pt 4

- 3 44 Definitions—pt 4
- 4 In this part:

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- *survey mark* includes a beacon, concrete block, chisel mark,
 galvanised iron pipe, lockspit, metal pin or plaque, drill hole and
 wings, peg or stone cairn, placed on land for a survey.
 - *surveyor* does not include a person whose registration is suspended.

9 Division 4.2 Power of entry and damage

10	45		Power of entry generally
11		(1)	For the purpose of carrying out a survey, a surveyor or someone
12			assisting a surveyor (an <i>assistant</i>) may at any reasonable time, in
13			accordance with this section—
14			(a) enter land, including land that is not to be surveyed; and
15			(b) open a door, gate or fence; and
16			(c) place a survey mark on the ground of land entered; and
17			(d) make a hole in the ground to uncover or expose a survey mark;
18			and
19			(e) enter a building; and
20			(f) trim a tree or bush obstructing a survey.

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1		(2)	A surveyor or assistant may enter land that is not owned by the
2			person for whom the survey is being carried out only if, before
3			entering the land, the surveyor gives the owner of the land
4			reasonable notice, whether oral or written, of the surveyor's or
5			assistant's intention to enter the land.
6		(3)	
7			that is not occupied by the person for whom the survey is being
8			carried out only—
9			(a) if the occupier has consented, in writing, to the entry; or
10			(b) in accordance with an order of the Magistrates Court.
11 12		(4)	To remove any doubt, an assistant may only exercise a function under this section in relation to land or a building—
13			(a) if the assistant is with the surveyor; or
14			(b) if the assistant is not with the surveyor—if the owner or
15			occupier has consented, in writing, to the exercise of the
16			function.
17		(5)	In this section:
18			<i>occupier</i> , of a building, includes—
19			(a) a person believed on reasonable grounds to be an occupier of
20			the building; and
21			(b) a person apparently in charge of the building.
22			owner, of land, includes the lessee or occupier of the land.
23	46		Application for order to enter building etc
24		(1)	A surveyor or person for whom a survey is being, or is to be, carried
25		` /	out, may apply to the Magistrates Court for an order under
26			section 45 (3) (b) allowing entry to a building or part of a building.

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	Part 4 Division 4.	The practice of surveying Power of entry and damage
	Section 47	
1 2 3 4	(2)	The Magistrates Court must make the order if satisfied that the survey can not reasonably be carried out unless the surveyor, or person assisting the surveyor, enters the building or part of the building.
5	(3)	An order under this section may be subject to a condition.
6	47	Damage by surveyors and assistants—generally
7 8	(1)	This section applies if someone exercises or purports to exercise a function under section 45.
9 10 11	(2)	The person must take reasonable steps to ensure that the person causes as little inconvenience, detriment and damage as is practicable when exercising or purporting to exercise the function.
12 13 14 15	(3)	If the person damages anything when exercising or purporting to exercise the function, the person must immediately give written notice of the details of the damage to someone the person believes on reasonable grounds is the owner of the thing.
16 17 18	(4)	However, if it is not practicable to comply with subsection (3), the person must leave the notice, in a reasonably secure way and in a conspicuous position, at the place where the damage happened.
19 20	(5)	The person is liable to pay compensation for the damage to the owner of the thing.
21	48	Damage by surveyors and assistants—compensation
22 23 24	(1)	Compensation mentioned in section 47 (5) may be claimed and ordered in a proceeding for compensation brought in a court of competent jurisdiction.
25 26 27	(2)	A court may order the payment of reasonable compensation for the damage only if satisfied it is just to make the order in the circumstances of the particular case.

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1 2 3		(3)	A regulation may prescribe matters that may, must or must not be taken into account by the court in considering whether it is just to make the order.
4 5 6 7		(4)	The amount of compensation that a person is ordered to pay that is reasonably and necessarily caused in carrying out the survey is an amount owing to the person by the person for whom the survey is being, or was, carried out.
8 9			<i>Note</i> An amount owing under a law may be recovered as a debt in a court of competent jurisdiction (see Legislation Act, s 177).
10	Div	isior	n 4.3 Offences
11	49		Only surveyors to carry out surveys
12			A person commits an offence if—
13			(a) the person is not a surveyor; and
14			(b) the person carries out a survey; and
15 16			(c) the person is reckless about whether the person is carrying out a survey.
17 18			Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units, imprisonment for 6 months or both.
19	50		Certificates to be given only by surveyors
20		(1)	A person commits an offence if—
21			(a) the person is not a surveyor; and
22 23			(b) the person gives, or purports to give, a certificate that, under a territory law, is required to be given by a surveyor.
24			Maximum penalty: 30 penalty units.
25		(2)	An offence against this section is a strict liability offence.

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	Part 4 Division 4.3 Section 51	The practice of surveying Offences
1	51	Pretending to be surveyor
2		A person commits an offence if—
3		(a) the person is not a surveyor; and
4		(b) the person—
5		(i) pretends to be qualified to carry out a survey; or
6		(ii) otherwise pretends to be a surveyor.
7 8		Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units, imprisonment for 6 months or both.
9 10		Example—par (b) using 'registered surveyor' on letterhead or in an advertisement
11 12 13		<i>Note</i> An example is part of the Act, is not exhaustive and may extend, but does not limit, the meaning of the provision in which it appears (see Legislation Act, s 126 and s 132).
14	52	Hindering and obstructing surveyor and assistant
15		A person commits an offence if—
16		(a) the person knows someone is—
17		(i) a surveyor; or
18		(ii) assisting a surveyor (an <i>assistant</i>); and
19 20 21		(b) the person hinders or obstructs the surveyor or assistant in the exercise of the surveyor's or assistant's powers under section 45 (1) (Power of entry generally).
22 23		Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units, imprisonment for 6 months or both.

1	53		Destruction of, and damage to, survey marks
2		(1)	A person commits an offence if—
3			(a) the person interferes with, changes or removes a mark; and
4			(b) the mark is a survey mark; and
5			(c) the person is reckless about whether the mark is a survey mark.
6			Maximum penalty: 20 penalty units.
7		(2)	However, subsection (1) does not apply to a person—
8 9 10			(a) who removes a survey mark if the mark is removed to put up a fence or do construction work on or near the boundary of a property; or
11			(b) if the person otherwise has a reasonable excuse.
12			Example—s (2) (b)
13 14			A person has a reasonable excuse if the removal of a survey mark has been authorised in writing by the chief surveyor.
15 16 17			<i>Note</i> An example is part of the Act, is not exhaustive and may extend, but does not limit, the meaning of the provision in which it appears (see Legislation Act, s 126 and s 132).
18 19	54		Surveyors to give evidence of field procedures to chief surveyor
20		(1)	The chief surveyor may, in writing, require a surveyor to give the
21			chief surveyor stated evidence of field procedures that the chief
22 23			surveyor reasonably needs to exercise the chief surveyor's functions under this Act or another territory law.
24 25			<i>Note</i> Territory laws that give functions to the chief surveyor include the <i>Districts Act 2002</i> , s 7 and s 17 and the <i>Land Titles Act 1925</i> , s 64.

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	Part 4 Division 4.4 Section 55	The practice of surveying Chief surveyor practice directions
1 2	(2)	A surveyor must comply with a requirement made of the surveyor under subsection (1).
3		Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units.
4	(3)	An offence against this section is a strict liability offence.
5 6 7	(4)	It is a defence to a prosecution for an offence against this section if the defendant proves that the defendant took reasonable steps to comply with subsection (2).
8 9	(5)	The chief surveyor may keep material produced under this section for the time reasonably necessary to make a copy of it.
10	(6)	In this section:
11 12		<i>field procedure</i> means any field procedure that a surveyor is required to keep under a practice direction.
13	Division	4.4 Chief surveyor practice directions
14	55	Chief surveyor practice directions
15 16	(1)	The chief surveyor may issue directions in relation to the practice of surveying, including, for example—
17		(a) the preparation of plans showing the results of surveys; and
18 19		(b) the preparation and keeping of field procedures relating to surveys; and
20 21		(c) the supervision of people assisting surveyors in carrying out or preparing surveys; and
22		(d) the nature and position of survey marks; and
23		(e) the achievement of accuracy in surveying; and

1 2			(f) the provision of information by surveyors for inclusion in the digital cadastral database.
3 4 5			<i>Note</i> An example is part of the Act, is not exhaustive and may extend, but does not limit, the meaning of the provision in which it appears (see Legislation Act, s 126 and s 132).
6 7		(2)	Before issuing a practice direction, the chief surveyor must consult the advisory committee about the proposed direction.
8		(3)	A practice direction is a disallowable instrument.
9 10			<i>Note</i> A disallowable instrument must be notified, and presented to the Legislative Assembly, under the Legislation Act.
11		(4)	In this section:
12			digital cadastral database—see the Districts Act 2002, section 17.
13	56		Exemptions from practice directions
14 15 16 17		(1)	The chief surveyor may, in writing, exempt a surveyor from a stated requirement of a practice direction if satisfied in all the circumstances that it is not reasonably practicable for the surveyor to comply with the direction.
18 19		(2)	An exemption may be subject to any condition decided by the chief surveyor.
20 21		(3)	An exemption that is subject to a condition does not have effect if the condition is not complied with.
22	57		Surveyors to comply with practice directions
23 24			A surveyor must comply with each practice direction that applies to the surveyor.

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	Part 4 Division 4.4	The practice of surveying Chief surveyor practice directions
	Section 58	
1	58	Surveys and plans to comply with practice directions
2		A surveyor must ensure that a survey carried out, or a plan prepared,
3		by or under the supervision of the surveyor—
4		(a) is in accordance with each practice direction that applies in
5		relation to the survey or plan; and
6		(b) states any exemption under section 56(1) for a practice
7		direction that applies in relation to the survey or plan; and
8		(c) states the conditions (if any) the exemption is subject to.

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2	59		Appointment of chief surveyor	
3 4		(1)	The chief executive must appoint a public servant as the Chief Surveyor.	
5 6 7		(2)	However, the chief executive must not appoint a person under subsection (1) unless satisfied that the person is, or is eligible to be, registered as a surveyor.	
8 9			<i>Note 1</i> For the making of appointments (including acting appointments), see the Legislation Act, pt 19.3.	
10 11			<i>Note 2</i> In particular, an appointment may be made by naming a person or nominating the occupant of a position (see Legislation Act, s 207).	
12	60		Functions of chief surveyor	
13		(1)	The chief surveyor has the following functions:	
14 15			(a) to investigate trends in surveying and to ensure the practice of surveying is current in the ACT and aligned with best practice;	
16 17 18			(b) to consult with entities (including organisations that represent surveyors in the ACT) on major policy issues affecting the practice of surveying;	
19			(c) to liaise and enter into arrangements on behalf of the Territory	
20 21			with any entity that, in Australia or elsewhere, is concerned with surveyors and the practice of surveying, for—	
			(i) developing or reviewing standards for the practice of	
22 23			surveying; and	
24 25			(ii) reviewing the qualifications and professional development of surveyors; and	
26 27			(iii) the exercise of the chief surveyor's functions under this Act or another territory law.	

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Part 5 Chief surveyor

Section 61

1 2	(2)		hief surveyor has any other function given to the chief or under this Act or another territory law.
3 4		Note 1	Territory laws that give functions to the chief surveyor include the <i>Districts Act 2002</i> , s 7 and s 17 and the <i>Land Titles Act 1925</i> , s 64.
5 6 7		Note 2	A reference to an Act includes a reference to the statutory instruments made or in force under the Act, including regulations (see Legislation Act, s 104).
8 9 10		Note 3	A provision of a law that gives an entity (including a person) a function also gives the entity powers necessary and convenient to exercise the function (see Legislation Act, s 196 and dict, pt 1, def <i>entity</i>).
11 6	51	Deleg	ation by chief surveyor
12 13 14			hief surveyor may delegate the chief surveyor's functions this Act or another territory law to a public servant who is a or.
15 16		Note	For the making of delegations and the exercise of delegated functions, see the Legislation Act, pt 19.4.

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1	Part 6	Advisory committee
2	62	Establishment of advisory committee
3		The survey practice advisory committee is established.
4	63	Advisory committee functions
5 6	(1)	The advisory committee has the following functions of advising the chief surveyor:
7 8		(a) in relation to anything about the practice of surveying if asked by the chief surveyor;
9 10		(b) whether a new practice direction is needed or a direction needs revising;
11 12		(c) about any proposed guidelines for continuing professional development or if a guideline needs revising.
13 14	(2)	The advisory committee has any other function given to it under this Act.
15 16 17		<i>Note 1</i> A reference to an Act includes a reference to the statutory instruments made or in force under the Act, including regulations (see Legislation Act, s 104).
18 19 20		<i>Note 2</i> A provision of a law that gives an entity a function also gives the entity powers necessary and convenient to exercise the function (see Legislation Act, s 196 and dict, pt 1, def <i>entity</i>).
21	64	Advisory committee membership
22 23	(1)	The advisory committee must have at least 5, but not more than 7, members (each of whom is an <i>advisory committee member</i>).

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Part 6 Advisory committee

Section 65	
(2)	The advisory
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y committee is made up of the following people: 1 the chief surveyor; 2 (a) (b) at least 3 other surveyors, 2 of whom are professional entity 3 representatives; 4 (c) at least 1 member who is not a surveyor. 5 Note Section 66 sets out how professional entity representatives are chosen 6 for appointment under s 65. 7 (3) To remove any doubt, in this section: 8 surveyor does not include a person whose registration is suspended. 9 65 Minister to appoint advisory committee members 10 The Minister must appoint the advisory committee members (other (1)11 than the chief surveyor). 12 Note For the making of appointments (including acting appointments), see 13 the Legislation Act, pt 19.3. 14 (2) The Legislation Act, division 19.3.3 (Appointments-Assembly 15 consultation) does not apply to an appointment of an advisory 16 committee member under this section. 17 (3) The Minister must not appoint a professional entity representative 18 for longer than 3 years. 19 20 (4) The Minister must not reappoint a person as a professional entity representative if the person would be a professional entity 21 representative for longer than 3 consecutive years. 22 66 Appointment of professional entity representatives 23 (1) This section applies if, whether because of a vacancy or otherwise, 24 the Minister must appoint 1 or 2 professional entity representatives 25 to the advisory committee. 26

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			Section 67
1 2		(2)	The Minister must ask a professional entity to nominate the prescribed number of potential representatives—
3 4			(a) that the entity is satisfied will adequately represent the views of the entity on the advisory committee; and
5			(b) who are surveyors.
6 7		(3)	The Minister must, under section 65, appoint 1 or 2 representatives from the people nominated.
8		(4)	In this section:
9			prescribed number, of potential representatives, means-
10 11			(a) if the Minister must appoint 1 professional entity representative—2; or
12 13			(b) if the Minister must appoint 2 professional entity representatives—3.
14 15			<i>professional entity</i> means an entity that the Minister is satisfied was established to represent the interests of surveyors in the ACT.
16	67		Disclosure of interests by advisory committee members
17 18 19 20 21		(1)	If an advisory committee member has a relevant interest in an issue being considered, or about to be considered, by the committee, the member must disclose the nature of the interest at a meeting of the committee as soon as practicable after the relevant facts come to the member's knowledge.
22 23 24		(2)	The disclosure must be recorded in the advisory committee's minutes and, unless the committee otherwise decides, the advisory committee member must not—
25			(a) be present when the committee considers the issue; or
26			(b) take part in a decision of the committee on the issue.

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	Section 68	
1 2	(3)	Any other advisory committee member who also has a relevant interest in the issue must not—
3 4		(a) be present when the committee considers whether to make a decision under subsection (2); or
5		(b) take part in the decision.
6 7 8 9	(4)	The advisory committee must, not later than 7 days after the end of each financial year, give the chief surveyor a statement that sets out the details of all disclosures under this section made during the financial year.
10	(5)	In this section:
11 12		<i>relevant interest</i> , in an issue, means a direct or indirect financial or other interest in the issue.
13	68	Advisory committee—chair
14		The chief surveyor is the chair of the advisory committee.
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15	69	Advisory committee—general procedure
	69 (1)	Advisory committee—general procedure
15 16		Advisory committee—general procedure Meetings of the advisory committee are to be held when and where
15 16 17	(1)	Advisory committee—general procedure Meetings of the advisory committee are to be held when and where it decides.
15 16 17 18	(1)	Advisory committee—general procedure Meetings of the advisory committee are to be held when and where it decides. However—
15 16 17 18 19 20	(1)	Advisory committee—general procedure Meetings of the advisory committee are to be held when and where it decides. However— (a) the advisory committee must meet at least twice each year; and (b) the chief surveyor may, by reasonable written notice given to
15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	(1) (2)	 Advisory committee—general procedure Meetings of the advisory committee are to be held when and where it decides. However— (a) the advisory committee must meet at least twice each year; and (b) the chief surveyor may, by reasonable written notice given to the other advisory committee members, call a meeting. The advisory committee may conduct its proceedings (including its
15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	(1)(2)(3)	 Advisory committee—general procedure Meetings of the advisory committee are to be held when and where it decides. However— (a) the advisory committee must meet at least twice each year; and (b) the chief surveyor may, by reasonable written notice given to the other advisory committee members, call a meeting. The advisory committee may conduct its proceedings (including its meetings) as it considers appropriate.

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1	71		Voting at advisory committee meetings
2 3 4			At a meeting of the advisory committee, a question is decided by a majority of the votes of the advisory committee members present and voting.
5	72		Advisory committee to keep minutes
6			The advisory committee must keep minutes of its meetings.
7	73		Protection of advisory committee members
8 9		(1)	An advisory committee member is not personally liable for conduct engaged in honestly and not recklessly—
10			(a) in the exercise of a function under this Act; or
11 12			(b) in the reasonable belief that the conduct was in the exercise of a function under this Act.
13 14		(2)	Any civil liability that would, apart from this section, attach to a person attaches instead to the Territory.
15		(3)	In this section:
16 17			<i>advisory committee member</i> includes anyone acting under the direction or authority of the advisory committee.
18			<i>conduct</i> means an act or an omission to do an act.
19	74		Ending appointment of advisory committee members
20 21		(1)	This section applies to an advisory committee member other than the chief surveyor.

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Section 74

1	(2)	The Minister must end the appointment of an advisory committee
2		member if—
3		(a) the Minister becomes aware that the member—
4 5 6		 (i) has failed to comply with section 67 (Disclosure of interests by advisory committee members) without reasonable excuse; or
7 8		(ii) has at any time been convicted, in Australia, of an offence punishable by imprisonment for 1 year or longer; or
9		(iii) has at any time been convicted, outside Australia, of an
10		offence that, if it had been committed in the ACT, would
11		be punishable by imprisonment for 1 year or longer; or
12 13		(b) satisfied that the member is no longer qualified to be appointed to the member's position.
14 15	(3)	The Minister may end the appointment of an advisory committee member—
16 17		(a) if the member is absent from 3 consecutive meetings of the advisory committee other than on approved leave; or
18		(b) if the member contravenes a territory law; or
19		(c) for misbehaviour; or
20 21		(d) for physical or mental incapacity, if the incapacity substantially affects the exercise of the member's functions.
22 23		<i>Note</i> A person's appointment also ends if the person resigns (see Legislation Act, s 210).

Part 7 Review of decisions

2	75	Reviewable decisions
3 4		Each of the following decisions of the chief surveyor is a <i>reviewable decision</i> :
5		(a) refusing to register a person under section 8;
6		(b) cancelling a registration under section 23;
7		(c) suspending a registration under section 29;
8		(d) reprimanding a surveyor under section 39 (4) (a);
9 10		(e) requiring a surveyor to complete a course of training under section 39 (4) (b);
11		(f) suspending a registration under section 39 (4) (c);
12		(g) cancelling a registration under section 39 (4) (d);
13 14		(h) cancelling a registration and disqualifying a surveyor from applying for registration under section 39 (4) (e);
15		(i) refusing to cancel a registration under section 41;
16		(j) cancelling a registration under section 42 (3);
17		(k) refusing to give an exemption under section 56;
18 19		(l) giving an exemption under section 56 that is subject to a condition.
20	76	Review of decisions
21 22		Application may be made to the AAT for review of a reviewable decision.

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Part 7 Review of decisions

Section 77

1	77		Notice of reviewable decisions
2 3 4		(1)	If the chief surveyor makes a reviewable decision, the chief surveyor must give written notice of the decision to each person affected by the decision.
5 6 7		(2)	The notice must be in accordance with the requirements of the code of practice in force under the <i>Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act 1989</i> , section 25B (1).

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1	Part 8	Miscellaneous
2	78	Evidentiary certificates
3	(1)	The chief surveyor may give a signed certificate—
4 5		(a) stating that on a stated date or during a stated period a named person was or was not registered; and
6 7		(b) if the person was registered—including details of the person's registration.
8	(2)	A certificate under this section is evidence of the matters stated in it.
9 10	(3)	Unless the contrary is proved, a document that purports to be a certificate under this section is taken to be a certificate.
11	79	Secrecy
12	(1)	In this section:
13 14		<i>court</i> includes a tribunal, authority or person having power to require the production of documents or the answering of questions.
15		<i>divulge</i> includes communicate.
16		person to whom this section applies means a person who—
17		(a) is or has been—
18		(i) a member of the advisory committee; or
19 20		(ii) anyone acting under the direction or authority of the advisory committee; or
21		(b) exercises, or has exercised, a function under this Act.
22		produce includes allow access to.

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Part 8 Miscellaneous

Section 79

 someone else; and (B) doing the thing would result in the information being divulged to someone else. Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units, imprisonment for 6 months or both. (3) Subsection (2) does not apply if the record is made, or the information is divulged— (a) under this Act or another territory law; or (b) in relation to the exercise of a function, as a person to whom this section applies, under this Act or another territory law; or 	1		protected information means information about a person that is
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	24		
26 (c) in a court proceeding: or	25		this section applies, under this Act or another territory law; or
(),	26		(c) in a court proceeding; or

			Section 80
1 2			(d) to a person administering or enforcing a corresponding law of a local jurisdiction.
3			<i>Note</i> Corresponding law—see the dictionary.
4 5		(4)	Subsection (2) does not apply to the divulging of protected information about someone with the person's consent.
6	80		Determination of fees
7		(1)	The Minister may determine fees for this Act.
8 9			<i>Note</i> The Legislation Act contains provisions about the making of determinations and regulations relating to fees (see pt 6.3).
10		(2)	A determination is a disallowable instrument.
11 12			<i>Note</i> A disallowable instrument must be notified, and presented to the Legislative Assembly, under the Legislation Act.
13	81		Approved forms
14		(1)	The chief surveyor may approve forms for this Act.
15 16		(2)	If the chief surveyor approves a form for a particular purpose, the approved form must be used for that purpose.
17			<i>Note</i> For other provisions about forms, see the Legislation Act, s 255.
18		(3)	An approved form is a notifiable instrument.
19			<i>Note</i> A notifiable instrument must be notified under the Legislation Act.
20	82		Regulation-making power
21			The Executive may make regulations for this Act.
22 23			<i>Note</i> Regulations must be notified, and presented to the Legislative Assembly, under the Legislation Act.
24	83		Legislation amended—sch 1
25			This Act amends the legislation mentioned in schedule 1.

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Section 84

1 Part 9 Transitional

2	84		Definitions—pt 9
3			In this part:
4			commencement day means the day this Act commences.
5			repealed Act means the Surveyors Act 2001.
6	85		Legislation repealed
7		(1)	The Surveyors Act 2001 A2001-2 is repealed.
8		(2)	The following legislative instruments are repealed:
9			(a) Surveyors (Fees) Determination 2006 (No 1) DI2006-160;
10 11			(b) Surveyors (Commissioner for Surveys) Appointment 2005 (No 1) DI2005-42.
12	86		Survey practice directions
12 13 14	86	(1)	Survey practice directions
13	86	(1) (2)	Survey practice directions The survey practice directions are taken to be directions issued
13 14 15 16	86		Survey practice directions The survey practice directions are taken to be directions issued under this Act, section 55 (Chief surveyor practice directions). If the survey practice directions have not been repealed 1 year after commencement day, they are repealed 1 year after commencement

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1	87		Surveyors registered under repealed Act
2 3		(1)	A person who was registered under the repealed Act immediately before commencement day is taken to be registered under this Act.
4 5		(2)	The information about the person in the register under the repealed Act must be included in the surveyors register.
6 7 8		(3)	The chief surveyor may ask the person for any information in relation to the person that is required to be included in the surveyors register that was not included in the register under the repealed Act.
9		(4)	The person must give the chief surveyor the information requested.
10			<i>Note</i> A failure to comply with this section is a ground for disciplinary action.
11 12		(5)	Information given to the chief surveyor under this section must be included in the surveyors register.
13		(6)	To remove any doubt—
14 15			(a) this section applies whether or not the person had a registration certificate under the repealed Act; and
16 17			(b) the person need not be eligible to be registered under this Act to be registered under this section.
18	88		Suspended registration
19 20		(1)	This section applies if, immediately before commencement day, a person's registration under the repealed Act was suspended.
21 22 23		(2)	The person's registration under this Act is taken to be suspended until the time the suspension would have ended if the repealed Act had not been repealed.

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Part 9 Transitional

Section 89

1	89		Action under repealed Act etc
2		(1)	This section applies if—
3 4			(a) the commissioner for surveys had started to take action in relation to a surveyor under—
5 6 7 8			 (i) the repealed Act, section 25 (Voluntary cancellation of registration), section 27 (Inquiries about registered addresses) or section 28 (Surrender of certificate on cancellation or suspension of registration); or
9			(ii) the repealed Act, part 4 (Disciplinary provisions); and
10 11			(b) immediately before commencement day, the action had not finished.
12 13		(2)	The action may be continued under this Act as if it had been started under this Act.
14 15 16		(3)	If something required to be done under this Act for part 3 (Regulatory action) has not been done because it was not required to be done under the repealed Act—
17 18			(a) the failure to do the thing does not affect the action being taken; and
19 20 21			(b) the chief surveyor may take any action the chief surveyor considers necessary or desirable to facilitate dealing with the action under this Act.
22	90		Inquiry under repealed Act
23		(1)	This section applies if—
24			(a) an inquiry had been begun under the repealed Act; and
25 26 27			(b) immediately before commencement day, the inquiry had been finished but no action had been taken in relation to the findings of the inquiry.
28		(2)	The inquiry is taken to have been an inquiry under this Act.

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			Section 91
1	91		Grounds for disciplinary action—s 26
2			In section 26:
3			<i>this Act</i> , in relation to a contravention, includes the repealed Act.
4	92		Evidentiary certificates—repealed Act
5		(1)	The chief surveyor may give a signed certificate—
6 7			(a) stating that on a stated date or during a stated period a named person was or was not registered under the repealed Act; and
8 9			(b) if the person was registered—including details of the person's registration under the repealed Act.
10		(2)	A certificate under this section is evidence of the matters stated in it.
11 12		(3)	Unless the contrary is proved, a document that purports to be a certificate under this section is taken to be a certificate.
13	93		Redistribution committee—Electoral Act 1992
14		(1)	This section applies if—
15 16 17			 (a) a redistribution committee is established under the <i>Electoral</i> Act 1992, section 39 with the commissioner for surveys as a member; and
18 19			(b) immediately before commencement day, the committee has not been dissolved under that Act.
20 21 22		(2)	To remove any doubt, on and after commencement day, the chief surveyor is a member of the redistribution committee instead of the commissioner for surveys.
23		(3)	In this section:
24 25			<i>commissioner for surveys</i> means the commissioner for surveys under the repealed Act, section 5.

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Part 9 Transitional

Section 94

1	94		Transitional regulations
2		(1)	A regulation may prescribe transitional matters necessary or
3			convenient to be prescribed because of the enactment of this Act.
4 5		(2)	A regulation may modify this part (including in relation to legislation mentioned in schedule 1) to make provision in relation to
6			anything that, in the Executive's opinion, is not, or not adequately,
7			dealt with in this part.
8		(3)	A regulation under subsection (2) has effect despite anything else in
9			this Act or another territory law.
10	95		Expiry—pt 9
11			This part expires 1 year after commencement day.

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1 Schedule 1 Consequential amendments

2 (see s 83)

³ Part 1.1 Districts Act 2002

4	[1.1]	Section 7 (4)			
5		substitute			
6 7	(4)	For subsection (3) (a), the chief surveyor may certify that land divided by the plan is correctly described only if—			
8 9		(a) the boundaries of the land have been established by a registered surveyor—			
10		(i) by survey; or			
11 12 13 14		 (ii) for land that the plan divides into districts or divisions or that the chief surveyor is satisfied is to be the subject of a holding lease—by reference to information in the digital cadastral database; and 			
15 16		(b) the plan and the information in the digital cadastral database are not inconsistent with each other.			
17	[1.2]	Section 17 (1)			
18		substitute			
19 20	(1)	The planning and land authority must keep an electronic database of information about land in the ACT (the <i>digital cadastral database</i>).			

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Schedule 1
Part 1.2Consequential amendments
Electoral Act 1992Amendment [1.3]

1	[1.3]	Section 17 (3)
2		omit
3		commissioner for surveys
4		substitute
5		planning and land authority
6 7	[1.4]	Further amendments, references to commissioner for surveys
8		omit
9		commissioner for surveys
10		substitute
11		chief surveyor
12		in
13		• section 7 (3)
14		• section 18
15		• dictionary, note 2

¹⁶ Part 1.2 Electoral Act 1992

17	[1.5]	Section 39 (3) (c)
18		substitute
19		(c) the chief surveyor; and
20	[1.6]	New section 39 (5)
21		insert
22	(5)	The chief surveyor is not subject to direction from anyone (other
23		than the electoral commissioner, for the efficient functioning of the
24		redistribution committee) in the exercise of the chief surveyor's
25		functions as a member of the committee.

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1	[1.7]	New section 47 (3)
2		insert
3 4	(3)	The chief surveyor is not subject to direction from anyone (other than the electoral commissioner, for the efficient functioning of the
5		augmented commission) in the exercise of the chief surveyor's
6		functions as a member of the augmented commission.
7	Part 1.	3 Land Titles Act 1925

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8	[1.8]	Section 64 (7)
9		omit
10		commissioner for surveys
11		substitute
12		chief surveyor

Legislation Act 2001 Part 1.4 13

14	[1.9]	Dictionary, part 1, new definition of chief surveyor		
15		insert		
16 17		chief surveyor means the Chief Surveyor under the Surveyors Act 2007.		
18	[1.10]	Dictionary, part 1, definition of commissioner for surveys		
19		omit		

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Schedule 1
Part 1.4Consequential amendments
Legislation Act 2001Amendment [1.11]

1	[1.11]	Dictionary, part 1, definition of registered surveyor
2		omit
3		Surveyors Act 2001
4		substitute
5		Surveyors Act 2007

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1	Dictionar	У
2	(see s 3)	
3 4	Note	<i>e 1</i> The Legislation Act contains definitions and other provisions relevant to this Act.
5	Note	<i>e</i> 2 For example, the Legislation Act, dict, pt 1, defines the following terms:
6		• AAT
7		• appoint
8		• business day
9		• exercise
10		• found guilty
11		• function
12		• public servant
13		• State
14		• territory law.
15 16		<i>isory committee</i> means the survey practice advisory committee ablished under section 62.
10		
17	adv	<i>isory committee member</i> —see section 64.
18 19		<i>iness address</i> , for a surveyor, means an address of a place from ich the surveyor carries on the practice of surveying.
20	chi	ef surveyor means the Chief Surveyor appointed under
21		tion 59.
22	con	tinuation notice, for division 3.1 (Continuing registration)—see
23	sect	tion 19.
24	cor	<i>responding law</i> means any law of a local jurisdiction that
25		ulates surveyors in the jurisdiction.
26		ciplinary action means action the chief surveyor may take under
27	sect	tion 39 (4).
28	disc	ciplinary notice, for division 3.3 (Disciplinary action)—see
29		tion 27.

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Dictionary

1 2	<i>field procedures</i> means field notes, records, measurements or calculations.	
3	ground for disciplinary action—see section 26.	
4	<i>inquiry</i> , for division 3.3 (Disciplinary action)—see section 25.	
5 6	<i>local jurisdiction</i> means the Commonwealth, a State or New Zealand.	
7 8	<i>local registering authority</i> means the entity responsible for regulating the surveying profession under a corresponding law.	
9	practice direction means a direction issued under section 55.	
10	registered means registered under this Act.	
11 12	<i>registered business address</i> —see section 12 (Details to be entered in surveyors register).	
13 14	<i>registration certificate</i> —see section 8 (Decision on registration application).	
15	<i>registration number</i> —see section 8.	
16	<i>reviewable decision</i> —see section 75.	
17	survey means the survey of land for the purpose of—	
18 19	(a) defining, redefining or marking the boundaries of land divided or to be divided under the <i>Districts Act 2002</i> ; or	
20 21	(b) deciding whether improvements are or are not within the boundaries of any land; or	
22 23 24	 (c) defining, redefining or marking the boundaries of a public place or public road within the meaning of the <i>Roads and</i> <i>Public Places Act 1937</i>; or 	
25 26	(d) defining, redefining or marking the boundaries of land in relation to which an interest has been, or is to be, created; or	
27	(e) defining, redefining or marking the boundaries of land to be resumed under a law of the Territory or Commonwealth.	
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1	survey mark, for part 4 (The practice of surveying)—see section 44.			
2	surveyor—			
3 4	(a) for this Act generally—means a person registered under this Act; and			
5	(b) for division 3.3 (Disciplinary action)—see section 25; and			
6	(c) for part 4 (The practice of surveying)—see section 44.			
7 8	<i>surveyors register</i> means the surveyors register mentioned in section 11.			

Endnotes

1	Presentation speech			
	Presentation speech made in the Legislative Assembly on	2007.		
2	Notification			
	Notified under the Legislation Act on	2007.		
3	Republications of amended laws			
	For the latest republication of amended laws, see www.legislation.act.gov.au.			

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