

Australian Capital Territory

Building (Fees) Determination 2013 (No 1)

Disallowable Instrument DI2013–148

made under the

Building Act 2004, s 150 (Determination of fees)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The purpose of the *Building Act 2004* is to regulate buildings and building work and other purposes.

Section 150 of the Act provides the Minister with the power to determine fees.

The purpose of this determination is to revoke Disallowable Instrument DI 2012-172, which set fees for the 2012-13 financial year and to determine fees for the 2013-14 financial year. In addition, this determination is to revoke Disallowable Instrument DI 2004-192 which set government building certification fees from 1 July 2004.

New fee introduced 2013-2014

Late lodgement building approval documents processing fee (effective 1 September 2013)

Increase in fees above the inflation factor

Lifting stop notices

Currently there is a minor fee associated with the lifting of a stop work notice as issued under section 53 of the *Building Act 2004*. Stop work notices are issued by building certifiers and the Construction Occupations Registrar. The formal process of lifting the stop work notice issued by the Construction Occupations Registrar relies on advice from a building certifier or builder to ESDD, which is actioned by an inspection and cleared.

The fee of \$200 is proposed to cover inspection and administrative costs associated with lifting of Stop Work Notices issued by the Construction Occupations Registrar.

The majority of fees determined for the 2013-14 financial year represent the 2012-13 financial year fees increased in accordance with ACT Treasury's inflation factor of 3.25%. Appropriate rounding has occurred in relation to the increases.

The fees take effect on 1 July 2013.

The determination under section 150 of the Act is a Disallowable Instrument.