



Building Newsflash

CHANGE TO THE ACCREDITATION PROCESS

The *Standard Building Regulation 1993* has been amended to change the accreditation process for building certifiers. The role played by the Building Surveyors and Allied Professions Accreditation Board (BSAP) in accreditation will now be carried out by the Australian Institute of Building Surveyors (AIBS).

To be eligible to be accredited or reaccredited to practice by the Building Services Authority (BSA), building certifiers (both council and private) must maintain compliance with the prescribed qualifications, which previously included holding education and experience accreditation with BSAP.

However, BSAP was placed in the hands of administrators on the 11 October 2002. Therefore the Standard Building Regulation was amended on 20 December 2002 to prescribe education and experience accreditation issued by AIBS as the prescribed qualifications for the BSA to accredit building certifiers to practice.

An AIBS accreditation manual will be made available that will outline the accreditation standards and assessment procedures to be used for accreditation purposes. Information on this manual will be provided in 2003. Until this manual is approved for use, the AIBS will apply standards and procedures equivalent to those prescribed in the current BSAP accreditation manual.

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