

Prequalification (PQC) System

Contractor - Factsheet

What is the PQC System?

The Prequalification (PQC) System is the whole-of-Government central register of prequalified building consultants and contractors.

It provides guidelines to government departments for the selection of building industry service providers above certain thresholds and aims to streamline the tendering process.

Who should apply?

Building industry contractors (head contractors) wishing to directly tender on government building projects that exceed \$1 million.

How to apply for PQC

To apply for prequalification you are required to carefully read, complete and submit the application forms to the PQC Registrar.

- [Applicant details](#)
- [Self-assessment](#)
- [Office details](#)

A [Contractor PQC Application Guide](#) is available to help you complete the application forms.

Eligibility to Tender

Successful applicants are awarded one of four PQC levels. Departments are required to assess PQC contracts to determine a **PQC service risk rating** (from 1 to 4, with 1 being low risk).

To be eligible to tender for such contracts, contractors must have a PQC level that matches or exceeds the **service risk rating** associated with the contract, as well as meet other specific criteria.

Minimum requirements for PQC registration

To become a prequalified contractor you must meet all of the below criteria:

1. The applicant must have an ABN registered for GST
2. The applicant must apply as a sole trader or company (you cannot be prequalified as a trustee or manager under trust arrangements)
3. Have a minimum Net Tangible Assets - Govt (NTA-Govt) amount of \$156,000 and a minimum current ratio of 1:1 as calculated in accordance with the [Contractor PQC Financial Requirements](#) guideline.
4. The applicant must be appropriately licensed (through the Queensland Building and Construction Commission (QBCC) or equivalent) to carry out building or building related work in Queensland.
5. If the applicant holds a QBCC licence, it must have a Maximum Revenue of at least \$3 million.

For further information contact the PQC Team on 1800 072 621 or email PQCRegistrar@hpw.qld.gov.au or visit www.hpw.qld.gov.au