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Private certifiers course—issuing development permits for building work

Purpose

To advise building certifiers that the course *Issuing development permits for building work* will be offered in Brisbane on 18–19 February 2010.

Background

Private certifiers (class A) have development approval endorsement and can receive, assess and decide building development applications and issue or refuse building development approvals as assessment managers. The satisfactory completion of this course is a requirement to obtain this endorsement from the Queensland Building Services Authority.

Private certifiers (class B) are restricted to assessing building development applications and performing assessment work against the Building Code of Australia and Queensland Development Code (except for boundary clearance and site cover assessment). They are not permitted to give final inspections or issue certificates of classification.

Legislation

Section 160 of the *Building Act 1975* outlines out the requirements for private certifiers (class A) and (class B) to allow them to issue building development approvals.

Under amendments to the *Building Act 1975* that commenced on 1 January 2010, building surveying technicians who complete this course and are now able to gain development approval endorsement status from the Queensland Building Services Authority.

Course contact

For information regarding the course content please contact Ms Leslie Mackee, principal consultant, AssentTECS on (o7) 3871 2539 or by email on <u>atecs@bigpond.net.au</u>. Building certifiers may register with AssentTECHS by completing the attached course registration form.

Contact for further information

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