



# Building Newsflash

## AIBS Accreditation Rules for Consideration and Comment

### Purpose

The purpose of this Newsflash is to advise building certifiers of the availability for comment of draft Accreditation Rules prepared by the Australian Institute of Building Surveyors (AIBS). The Accreditation Rules are intended to provide the framework for AIBS to assess and certify the qualifications and experience of building surveyors. The draft Accreditation Rules can be viewed by accessing the AIBS website on <http://www.aibs.com.au/>.

### Background

The *Standard Building Regulation 1993* (SBR) was amended on 20 December 2002 to change the accreditation process for building certifiers. The role previously played by the Building Surveyors and Allied Professions Accreditation Board (BSAP) in accreditation is now carried out by 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 SBR was amended to prescribe education and experience accreditation issued by AIBS as the prescribed qualifications for the BSA to accredit building certifiers to practice.

The draft Accreditation Rules outline the proposed accreditation standards and assessment procedures to be used by AIBS for accreditation purposes. Until the Accreditation Rules are approved for use, the AIBS will apply standards and procedures equivalent to those prescribed in the current BSAP accreditation manual.

Would you please forward any comments on the draft Accreditation Rules to Errol George, Building Codes Queensland, by 6 June 2003. Your comments may be sent by mail, to Building Codes Queensland, PO Box 31, Brisbane Albert Street, Queensland 4002; or by Email to [Errol.George@dlgp.qld.gov.au](mailto:Errol.George@dlgp.qld.gov.au)