ARB OPEN CPD:

How Architects are Regulated in NSW

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*This session is equivalent to 1.0 hours Formal CPD*

*It explores the intersections between the*

*•* Architects Act 2003 *and NSW Architects Code of Professional Conduct 2017;*

*•* Design and Building Practitioners Act 2020 *and Design and Building Practitioners Regulation 2021; and*

*• Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 and State Environmental Planning Policy No 65 2002.*

*Some of the regulatory implications for Architects and Nominated Architects who work on class 2 buildings are considered, together with examples of breaches of the Architects Act.*

*This session delivers learning outcomes related to the following Performance Criterion from the* [*2021 National Standard of Competency for Architects*](https://www.aaca.org.au/national-standard-of-competency-for-architects/2021nsca/)*:*

*PC 1 Comply with the regulatory requirements and obligations pertaining to practice as an architect, including legislation, professional codes of conduct, obligations for continuing professional development and professional indemnity insurance.*

*Content cuts across the “Professionalism” Professional Capability in the Standard as it relates to understanding and incorporating relevant legislation and statutory building requirements, regulations, standards and codes in all aspects of the provision of architectural services.*

Self-Assessment Questions

\*\*\* Please retain a copy of your completed questionnaire in case you are ever audited for CPD compliance. YOU DO NOT NEED TO SUBMIT THIS QUESTIONNAIRE TO THE BOARD. You will automatically be issued with a Certificate of Completion for 1.0 hours of formal CPD based on your participation in today’s session. \*\*\*

Participant Name: Registration Number:

1. Name the different NSW Government Departments / NSW Ministers responsible for administering

(a) the *Architects Act 2003*

Government Department

Responsible Minister

(b) *Design and Building Practitioners Act 2020*

Government Department

Responsible Minister

(c) *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000*

Government Department

Responsible Minister

2. What is the timeframe for notification of the Board:

(a) By a corporation or firm about changes to Nominated Architects’ particulars?

(b) By a registered architect about changes to personal details?

3. How do you nominate a responsible architect? How do you make changes to the Nominated Architect and/or architect corporation/firm particulars?

4. Is it optional to show your architect registration number? Where does it need to be shown?

5. What is the legislation designed to protect?

 Identify the different foci of:

(a) *Architects Act 2003*

(b) *Design & Building Practitioners Act* *2020*

(c) Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2000 / SEPP 65

6. How is the *Architects Act 2003* referenced in the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000?

7. How is the *Architects Act 2003* referenced in the Design & Building Practitioners Regulation 2021?

8. Is the requirement to maintain registration as an architect affected by the Design & Building Practitioners Regulation 2021?

9. Why would an architect seek registration as a ‘Design Practitioner—Architectural’ under the *Design and Building Practitioners Act 2020*?

10. When do the professional indemnity insurance requirements under the D&BP scheme commence? Does the delayed commencement mean you can avoid carrying PI insurance appropriate for the architectural services you are providing?