

Self-assessment questions

Systemic risks in the Australian architecture sector

This session is equivalent to 1.0 hours Formal CPD.

In 2022, the NSW Architects Registration Board (NSW ARB) partnered with the Architects Registration Board of Victoria (ARBV) to identify current and future systemic compliance issues and associated risks affecting regulation of the architecture profession in Australia.

The project was initiated in light of

- recent developments affecting the profession
- high-profile cases here and abroad alleging negligence of architects
- reviews of the Australian construction sector that have raised questions about the role of architects in sectoral outcomes, and
- various emerging disruptive forces that may impact the provision of architectural services by architects.

The final report, *Research Project on Systemic Risks in the Australian Architecture Sector*, is available to download from the publications page of our website [here](#).

This webinar presents the research findings and is designed to provide some guidance on the proactive steps that architects can take to mitigate their exposure to risks and liability.

It delivers learning outcomes related to the following Performance Criterion from the [2021 National Standard of Competency for Architects](#):

- 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.**

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Participant name: _____ NSW registration no: _____

1. What is a systemic risk?

List the 4 key systemic risks identified in the research.

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____
- iv. _____

2. In the context of intensifying competition in the market for architectural services, why is it important for an architect to routinely show their NSW Architect Registration Number?

3. Does the type of construction contract used for a NSW project ever impact an architect's obligation to comply with the NSW Architects Code of Professional Conduct? What should you do?

4. What 3 clauses of the NSW Architects Code of Professional Conduct establish general practice standards for the provision of information and disclosure to clients?

5. What are the 3 new mandatory topics introduced to NSW Formal CPD requirements from 1 July 2022?

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____

Where can you find more information about these?

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

6. What are some of the general circumstances in which an architect's duty of care may be found to have been breached??

Formulation of design

- a. _____
- b. _____

Documentation

- c. _____

Representation

- d. _____

Contract administration

- e. _____
- f. _____

Cost

- g. _____
- h. _____
- i. _____

Third parties

- j. _____
- k. _____

7. Architects who provide 'green' architectural services could face increased exposure to legal risk if they fail to do certain things. List 4 triggers for potential exposure to liability.

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____
- iv. _____

8. Where can you find more information about NSW CPD requirements?
