



NSW
Architects
Registration
Board

Self-assessment questions

What you need to know about being an architect in NSW

Participant name: _____ NSW registration no: _____

This session is equivalent to 1.0 hours Formal CPD.

It provides a comprehensive primer on the regulations, professional context, and compliance requirements for registered architects in NSW. It is particularly recommended for recently registered architects (<5 years), or those returning to practice after a break. Topics covered include

- Compliance with the [Architects Act 2003](#) and [NSW Architects Code of Professional Conduct 2017](#)
- Overview of changing legislative requirements and a brief history of regulatory reform affecting architects in NSW.

This session 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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Self-assessment questionnaire

1. What do Section 9 and 10 of the *Architects Act 2003* protect?

2. What is the relationship between the NSW Architects Registration Board and the Australian Institute of Architects?

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

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

(b) By a corporation or firm about changes to business details and nominated architect details?

4. For a NSW architect working interstate, what are the key features of:

(a) Mutual Recognition (MR)?

(b) Automatic Deemed Registration (ADR)?

5. Is it optional to show your NSW Architect Registration Number? Where does it need to be shown?

6. When does a business entity need to nominate a responsible architect and be listed on the NSW List of Architect Corporations and Firms?

7. What are the differences between the *NSW Architects Code of Professional Conduct 2017*, Australian Institute of Architects Code of Professional Conduct 2017, and *Design and Building Practitioners Regulation 2021* Code of Practice?

8. What are your obligations in terms of provision of information to clients?

9. What are your obligations in terms of agreements with clients? Where are these spelt out?

10. Name the 2018 report informing the *Design and Building Practitioners Act 2020*.

What are 3 key features of this legislation?

- (i) _____
- (ii) _____
- (iii) _____

11. What is the legislation designed to protect?

Identify the different foci of

(a) *Architects Act 2003*

(b) EP & A Regulation 2021 / SEPP 65

(c) *Design and Building Practitioners Act 2020*
