Working as an Architect in Tasmania

Information for AMR deemed registrations

Purpose

This info sheet outlines the requirements for interstate architects wanting to work in Tasmania using Automatic Mutual Recognition (AMR).

For more information on AMR, visit www.cbos.tas.gov.au/AMR.

Am I eligible for AMR?

To be eligible to work as an architect in Tasmania using AMR, you need:

- A current architect licence from your home state/territory; and
- Be covered by a professional indemnity insurance policy of at least \$1 million.
- If you are eligible and want to start working in Tasmania, **you must notify** CBOS Occupational Licensing Application Start (justice.tas.gov.au) and the Board of Architects of Tasmania of your intention to work via registrar@architectsboardtas.org.au.

Several circumstances may prevent you from using AMR, including:

- If you've been suspended from holding your licence or have had conditions imposed on your licence as a result of disciplinary action in your home state or another state/territory;
- You have been subject to disciplinary, criminal or civil action against you within Australia with respect to your licence;
- You have been refused a licence in another state/territory; or
- You have permanently relocated to Tasmania from another state/territory.

What activities can I perform in Tasmania using AMR?

AMR allows you to perform the same work you are licensed to perform in your home jurisdiction within any other participating jurisdiction.



After notifying the Tasmanian Government of your intention to work in Tasmania and comply with our public protection requirements (including insurance requirements), you can then carry out that same work that you are licensed to perform in your home state within Tasmania.

To find out more on the consumer protection requirements for your licence type, see cbos.tas.gov.au/consumer-protection-requirements

Example:

Jennifer holds an architect licence in Victoria and wishes to undertake architectural work for a project in Tasmania. Jennifer's Victorian architect licence means that Jennifer may carry out architectural building design functions in Victoria, including preparing plans and specifications for buildings of any class and size.

After Jennifer notifies the Tasmanian Government of her intention to work in Tasmania and having complied with Tasmania's public protection (insurance) requirements, Jennifer may carry out work as an architect in Tasmania, limited to the same limitations as she has in Victoria, if any.

Jennifer must also comply with all relevant local law requirements under Tasmania's Building Regulatory Framework, including the requirements in the Building Act 2016 (Tas) and Occupational Licensing Act 2005 (Tas). These requirements include using all the approved forms, undertaking Continuing Professional Development, and complying with Tasmania's building services provider code of conduct.

How do I start using AMR in Tasmania?

To start working in Tasmania using AMR, you must complete a notification. To complete your notification, Occupational Licensing - Application Start (justice.tas.gov.au).

As part of completing your notification, you will need to provide a summary of your licence scope of work, proof of your current licence, proof of identity, and evidence of your professional indemnity insurance.

Tasmania may contact other regulators concerning your deemed registration.

You can commence work in Tasmania as soon as you have completed your notification and comply with Tasmania's public protection requirements.

Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

Continuing professional development (CPD) is mandatory for all persons carrying on work prescribed under the *Occupational Licensing Act* 2005, including architects. You must comply with CPD requirements and may be subject to audit and investigation at any time.

More information on CPD requirements for licensees is available here.

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Other information

There are several important Acts, Regulations and Determinations which set Tasmania's building regulatory framework. Some of these are listed below.

Legislation

- Building Act 2016
- Building Regulations 2016
- <u>Residential Building Work Contracts and</u>
 <u>Dispute Resolution Act 2016</u>
- Occupational Licensing Act 2005

Approved Forms

Certificate of the Responsible
 Designer

Other Important Documents

- Guide to the Building Act 2016
- <u>Director's Determinations:</u>
 - Categories of Building and Demolition Work
 - Hazardous Areas
 - Protection Work
- Administrator's Determination:
 - Building Services Providers
 (incl. Code of Conduct, CPD &
 insurance requirements)

Online portal for property development

PlanBuild Tasmania will deliver a single access point for the industry, property owners and councils to obtain information on planning and building rules for their development projects and manage the planning, building, plumbing and related public and environmental health applications across Tasmania.

The Enquiry service provides free, online access to planning information, spatial data and mapping services and regulatory requirements relating to planning, building and referral authority approvals.

Future functionality will include the online lodgement of applications.

Visit <u>planbuild.tas.gov.au</u> for more information and to start an enquiry.

More information

For more information, visit <u>www.cbos.tas.gov.au</u>, or contact us at <u>CBOS.info@justice.tas.gov.au</u>, or phone **1300 654 499.**

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