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Water Services Coordination Act 1995

**Water Services Coordination (Plumbers
Licensing) Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2001**

Made by the Governor in Executive Council.

1. Citation

These regulations may be cited as the *Water Services Coordination (Plumbers Licensing) Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2001*.

2. Commencement

These regulations come into operation on 1 August 2001.

3. The regulations amended

The amendments in these regulations are to the *Water Services Coordination (Plumbers Licensing) Regulations 2000**.

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For amendments to 27 June 2001 see Gazette 20 April 2001.]

4. Regulation 47A inserted

After regulation 47 the following regulation is inserted in Part 5 —

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47A. Plumbing work — temporary permits

- (1) In this regulation —
- “**finally determined**”, in relation to an application for a temporary permit or a tradesperson’s licence, means that —
- (a) the Board issues the permit or licence; or
 - (b) the Board refuses to issue the permit or licence and either —
 - (i) the time for appeal against the refusal has expired without an appeal being brought; or
 - (ii) an appeal has been brought but has been withdrawn, discontinued or dismissed.
- (2) This regulation applies to a person who —
- (a) was engaged in carrying out plumbing work for part or all of the period of 6 years immediately before the commencement of the *Water Services Coordination (Plumbers Licensing) Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2001*;
 - (b) does not hold a plumber’s licence, a tradesperson’s licence or a tradesperson’s licence (drainage plumbing); and
 - (c) is unable to comply with the requirements set out in Schedule 3 in respect of a tradesperson’s licence without undertaking training.
- (3) A person to whom this regulation applies may apply to the Board for the issue of a temporary permit within the period of 3 months after the commencement of the *Water Services Coordination (Plumbers Licensing) Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2001* or within such further period as the Board, in special circumstances, allows.
- (4) If an application is made under subregulation (3), then, until the application is finally determined, regulations 9(1) and 10 do not apply in relation to the carrying out of plumbing work by the applicant under the general direction and control of the holder of a plumber’s licence.

- (5) The Board may, on application made under subregulation (3) and on payment by the applicant of a fee of \$75, issue a temporary permit if the applicant —
 - (a) has passed a practical skills test in plumbing work conducted by an approved person or body; and
 - (b) provides evidence to the satisfaction of the Board of at least 4 years' practical experience in plumbing work.
- (6) A temporary permit may be issued subject to such conditions as the Board thinks fit.
- (7) A temporary permit authorises its holder to carry out plumbing work under the general direction and control of the holder of a plumber's licence.
- (8) Subject to subregulation (9), a temporary permit remains in force —
 - (a) if an application for the issue of a tradesperson's licence is made by the holder of the permit on or before 31 December 2002, until the application is finally determined; or
 - (b) if no such application is made, until 31 December 2002.
- (9) The Board may cancel a temporary permit if —
 - (a) the holder of the permit fails to comply with a condition of the permit; or
 - (b) the Board is satisfied that the holder is not competent to carry out plumbing work.
- (10) The Board is not to cancel a temporary permit unless the Board has given the holder of the permit written notice of the proposed cancellation and a reasonable opportunity to make written submissions on the matter.
- (11) If the Board refuses to issue, or cancels, a temporary permit, the Board is to give written notice of its decision to the applicant or holder of the permit, as the case requires, not later than 14 days after the decision is made.
- (12) A decision of the Board to refuse to issue, or to cancel, a temporary permit is to be taken to be a decision to which regulation 41 applies.
- (13) A reference in regulation 9(1) or 47(2) to a licence is to be read as if it included a reference to a temporary permit.

5. Schedule 3 amended

Schedule 3 item 3(c)(i) is amended as follows:

- (a) by deleting “practical”;
- (b) by inserting after “plumbing work” —

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, involving both theoretical and practical components,

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By Command of the Governor,

M. C. WAUCHOPE, Clerk of the Executive Council.
