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South Island IQP Panel September 2022 Newsletter

Chairpersons Blog – September 2022

1 September meeting - We had 33 new applications and a couple of RFI's to review which led to a rather busy day by the attendees however we managed to get through then so thanks to the Council staff who attended and made this possible.

The main topic for discussion was the concept of splitting SS2 criteria into 3 subsections to reflect the complexity of this system.

While we cannot retrospectively ask IQP's to assess where their expertise lies and expect them to work within their competency, there may be some reference to this on the annual registration form.

Hopefully I will have more on this following the 17 November meeting and AGM.

Please remember that we are there to assist where ever possible and welcome your questions, individually or collectively.

Mary and I will be attending the ABC conference so look forward to engaging with you if you are there.

Kind Regards

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South Island IQP Panel Chairperson

Reminder re use of signatures

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A reminder that any signatures used on a form 12 or a form 12a MUST be signed correctly.

It is ok to use an electronic signature like so -

PLEASE DO NOT use a 'font' signature -

M.I. Gazzard

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From the secretary – Please Help me to Help You (3)

Annual Renewal Letter

This is sent with your annual renewal invoice – PLEASE - fill it out and return it to me. Scanning and emailing it is fine. Your renewal will not be processed without it! No renewal form = no certificate

When you leave a job, change employer, change postal address or are planning to retire, please notify me. I am wasting a lot of time trying to track people, deal with returned mail, and crediting invoices (\mathcal{L})

<u>IQPS are Professionals</u> and well qualified in their areas of expertise therefore please remember -

- IQP's **MUST** work within their competency and registration.
- 12a's are not issued in the interest of the building owner, they are issued if appropriate, i.e. the required Inspection, Maintenance and Reporting regime is complete.
- A report in lieu is NOT a right or get out of jail card. It has no legal standing and some Councils will file them as a record that the specified system is, on the day of inspection working as required, however during the year, missed inspections or a defect that has been repaired.
- A report in lieu should never be issued if the specified system remains defective –
 Please discuss with the Territorial Authority when a clean 12a cannot be issued.
- BSSR and SSSR have been recommended by MBIE to use when inspections have been missed due to covid-19 lockdowns and restrictions check with your Council if they are accepting them.

None of us involved in Building Industry wish to be in the position of being involved in considering a Building "Dangerous" in event of a fire due to failure of a specified system.

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No later than – 4 November 2022 ***

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Reminders for those applying for additional systems and first-time applicants.

Application form

Please make sure you are applying on the **correct version** of the application form – all IQP forms are available on the Timaru District Council Website.

https://www.timaru.govt.nz/services/building/independent-qualified-persons

Applications to become IQP registered: Please take care when completing applications ar remember the more <u>relevant</u> information the better, therefore facts and supporting documentation is important.

You can provide photographic evidence to support your knowledge, this will clearly demonstrate that you can identify what complies and what doesn't. This information will the reviewer plenty of confidence in an applicant, making the approval decision an easy one.

Applications were declined for:

• Detail of Work Experience

Your work history needs to be <u>descriptive</u> and <u>complete</u> – remember you are selling your skills and experience to the Panel.

• References (Quality of) and Lack of.

Supply references that are <u>relevant</u> to the specified systems being supplied for.

A note for those signing references – see note further on

- Not meeting the set criteria
- The page five questions are being poorly answered
- refer to the relevant links and legislation these are listed on the application form and for quick reference -

Please refer to the Building Act 2004 sections 100-112.

http://legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2004/0072/latest/DLM306036.html and the Compliance schedule handbook available here https://www.building.govt.nz/building-code-compliance/building-code-and-handbooks/compliance-schedule-handbook/

Building (Forms) Regulations 2004 -

http://www.legislation.govt.nz/regulation/public/2004/0385/latest/whole.html#contents

NB. Please ensure that you are applying on the **correct version** of the form - https://www.timaru.govt.nz/ data/assets/pdf file/0003/19524/Application-form-Acceptance-as-a-South-Island-Independent-Qualified-Person.pdf

If you need a word version of the application form, please email Mary <u>mary.gazzard@timdc.govt.nz</u>

Please send applications in by email - E-mail attachments are limited to **15MB**, please use the large file transfer system and follow the **DROP-OFF** instructions at this link: - https://files.timaru.govt.nz/

You are dropping the file(s) off to mary.gazzard@timdc.govt.nz

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Should your accounts team require a **PURCHASE ORDER** number for your invoices – **PLEASE** advise me of this, so I can have this sorted **PRIOR** to an invoice being sent out.

When paying accounts – please quote the <u>Particulars, Code</u> and <u>Reference</u>, that are written on your invoice.

Kind Regards

Mary



Mary Gazzard | Compliance Officer Building South Island IQP Register Secretary

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Te Kaunihera ä-Rohe o Te Tihi o Maru

I am in the office 7.30am to 4.00pm

mary.gazzard@timdc.govt.nz - or iqpenquiry@timdc.govt.nz

South Island IQP - https://www.timaru.govt.nz/services/building/independent-qualified-person

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Some Words of Wisdom

Clear documentation of the compliance path of specified systems takes the guess work out of decision of compliance.

You have been asked to write a reference

- References: When completing a reference to support an application for SI IQP registration, <u>please</u> ensure that it is relevant to the specified system that the person is applying for. Provide actual detail on what and how much you have supervised or worked together.
- Vagueness is not doing the applicant any favours and has resulted in either requests for further information or declined applications.
- What has the applicant been doing?
 Working under supervision.
 Alarm Technician
 Along with the company
- Reference Template is included with the application form.

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Upcoming events of interest

2022 FireNZ Conference – 21-23 September – Te Pae Convention Centre – Christchurch https://ife.org.nz/news-and-events/2020-firenz-conference

From the Association of Building Compliance.

HALF DAY WORKSHOP: SS7 AUTOMATIC BACKFLOW PREVENTERS INSPECTION AND TESTING IQP REFRESHER

CHRISTCHURCH - WEDNESDAY 19 OCTOBER 2022

The Association of Building Compliance will be running the online SS7 Automatic Backflow Preventers Inspection and Testing IQP refresher workshop on Wednesday 24 August 2022 from 1pm - 4.30pm noon.

The workshop will cover the following:

Focus on annual inspection and device testing, maintenance and reporting including certification records.

An overview of the requirements of the relevant building code and technical standards, G12 Water Supplies, AS 3500, AS2845.3 2010, NZ Industry Backflow Testing Standard 2019, including introducing the American cross connection control manual.

Right device and the right application? Discussion about the devices and where they should be installed.

Test reports and testing requirements in accordance with the compliance schedule handbook for SS7: How it has to be tested? What has to be tested? When it has to be tested?

Changes proposed for the Three Waters Reform; how this may affect IQPs' testing boundary devices. Clarification in relation to single check valves in fire systems and what is SS7 backflow or a fire system feature.

A practical look at common defects with backflow prevention devices, reporting and what and when to issue Form 12As.

Attendance is limited to 24 people and attendance certificates will be sent to all attendees after the workshop.

We had great feedback to the last workshop so if you are wanting to attend, we suggest you get your registration in ASAP.

To register, download the information and registration form go to this link - https://www.abciqp.org.nz/images/downloads/Backflow_Workshop_A4_2022_Christchurch_FORM.p df

But wait, there's more....

We will be running these workshops in other locations so keep checking the ABC website for up-coming events - https://www.abciqp.org.nz/whats-on/regular-events

Other workshops and seminars coming up include:

Means of Escape
Emergency Lighting

And, if there is a particular course you want to see in your area - drop ABC a line and let them know - admin@abciqp.org.nz

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IQP's approved and removed 1 September 2022

IQP	Company	Address Features Approved		IQP Number
Darryn Gardiner	SGS	Christchurch	\$\$11	371
Adrian Smeehuyzen	Stork	Dunedin	SS2 inspection only & SS14.1	405
Patrick Dillon	Nelson Alarms Security Systems	Nelson	\$\$4	584
John Paterson	University of Canterbury	Christchurch	SS2, SS4 inspection only & SS14.2	588
Christopher Webb	SGS	Christchurch	\$\$11	602
Huascar Castro	FFP Nelson	Nelson	SS1 & SS6	957
Ryan Wilson	Fire Safety Systems	Blenheim	\$\$3.2	933
Charith Amarasinghe	South Pacific Fire Protection Group	Christchurch	\$\$2, \$\$3.1, 3.2 & 3.3, \$\$4, \$\$6, \$\$13.3,\$\$14.1 & 14.2, \$\$15(a)-(e) inclusive	958
Tony Brunton	FFP Canterbury	Christchurch	\$\$6	997
Vaughan Rankin	V Plumbing Ltd	Christchurch	\$\$7	1022
William Brewer	Laser Plumbing	Rangiora	SS7 – inspection only	1023
Blair Gardner	Gardner Plumbing	Woodend	\$\$7	1024
Sudi Lal	Fire Safety Systems	Blenheim	SS2 & SS14.2	1027
Chris Rattray	FFP Canterbury	Christchurch	SS2, SS3.3, SS4 & SS15(a)	1028
Chris Dignan	FFP Canterbury	Christchurch	SS1, SS6, SS7 & SS14.2	1029
Michael Cartwright	Laser Plumbing	Alexandra	\$\$7	1030
Peter Wade	City Care Property	Christchurch	\$\$9	1031
Zak Watson	Chubb	Christchurch	SS1	1032
Andrew Turner	Nind Dairy Services	Invercargill	SS7 inspection only	1033
Kelvin Schroder	Waimakariri DC	Rangiora	SS7 inspection only	1034
Sumeet Verma	Equans	Christchurch	\$\$9	1035
Jono Welsh	Advanced Security	Christchurch	SS3.1 & SS3.2	1036
lan Redshaw	BC Group	Auckland	SS15(b)-(e) inclusive & SS14.2	1037
Phillip Turnwald	Foley Plumbing	Christchurch	\$\$7	1038
Graham Austin	Downer	Christchurch	SS7 inspection only	1039
Gavin Pedlar	Chubb	Christchurch	SS7 inspection only	1040
Michael Allen	Aotea Security	Nelson	SS3.1, SS3.2 & SS3.3	1041
Luke van Gorp	Wormald	Dunedin	SS2 & SS14.2	1042

IQP Removed:	Date:	Last Known Company:	Address:	IQP No.	Reason (retired/failed to contact/location unknown)
AE(Fred) Maibach	13/06/22	FM Electrical	Wanaka	326	No longer requires registration
W Gebhardt	01/07/22	Building & Fire Safety Ltf	Auckland	349	Retired
N Hunter	01/07/22	Emergent Cold	Timaru	372	No longer requires registration
N Sparrow	01/07/22	Norspa Consultancy	Dunedin	300	Retired
K Hindmarsh	05/07/22	Aotea Electric	Queenstown	937	Moved back to NI
G Dyer	06/07/22	Advantage Doors	Auckland	492	Retired
K Jackson	07/07/22	Fire & Building Compliance	Tauranga	125	Retired
J McGowan	08/07/22	SGS	Christchurch	283	Retired
J Graham	13/07/22	Graham Consulting	Ranfurly	424	Retired
D Anderson	01/08/22	Anderwood Electrical	Christchurch	178	Retired
B MacManus	01/08/22	BT MacManus	Dunedin	365	Retired
G Lindbom	13/08/22	Industrial Controls	Timaru	306	Left employer, hasn't advised new details

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Training opportunities

All fire protection industry qualifications are now free!

There has never been a better time to train, or retrain, on-the-job. All fire protection industry qualifications offered by Competenz are free from 01 July 2020 until 31 December 2022 for new and current learners.

There are also government wage subsidies available for employers of apprentices in their first two years of training.

Developed in conjunction with industry experts, our range of fire protection qualifications cover skills in fire detection and alarms, passive fire protection and hand-operated firefighting equipment.

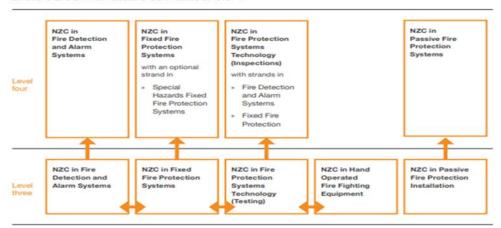
These qualifications take a step-by-step approach. Key benefits of the programmes are:

- A combination of practical and theory to develop both knowledge and skills
- Interactive learning available online 24/7
- Covers critical health and safety aspects of your work
- Competnz training advisor visits to support learners through their training
- Nationally recognised qualifications registered with the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA).



New Zealand Certificates in fire protection

Competenz has created logical pathways for learners to progress, with five New Zealand Certificates at level 3 and six New Zealand Certificates at level 4.



Training with Competenz

Competenz is the industry training organisation (ITO) for the fire protection industry.

Developing highly skilled employees is critical to staying competitive, productive and safe. To do this Competenz works with industry experts to develop nationally recognised qualifications, mapping the skills needed and registering them with NZQA. Our team also develop training plans to make it easy for you to grow your employee's skills and productivity.

We do this in 37 industries with more than 3,500 businesses, helping over 20,000 people develop their skills on-the-job each year.

To find out more about the fire protection qualifications call our customer services team on 0800 526 1800 or email info@competenz.org.nz.

www.competenz.org.nz

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Open Polytechnic Courses with free fee options

https://www.openpolytechnic.ac.nz/qualifications-and-courses/nz261205-new-zealand-diploma-in-engineering-fire-engineering-level-6/tab/QT01

https://www.openpolytechnic.ac.nz/qualifications-and-courses/op6520-new-zealand-diploma-in-engineering-mechanical-engineering-level-6/tab/QT01

https://www.openpolytechnic.ac.nz/qualifications-and-courses/op2420-new-zealand-diploma-in-construction-level-6-with-strands-in-construction-management-and-quantity-surveying/tab/QT01

<u>Useful website links -</u>

Association of Building Compliance - http://www.abciqp.org.nz/

Back Flow Training info –

WSP

https://nzetc.wsp.com/w/courses/

Trade Lab Backflow Refresher Course

https://courses.tradelab.co/p/refresher-course-iqp-backflow

Fire Protection Association of NZ - http://www.fireprotection.org.nz/

Fire Protection Association Newsletters and FIRENZ Magazines -

http://www.fireprotection.org.nz/online-resources/articles-and-publications

Building Officials Institute of New Zealand - https://www.boinz.org.nz/

Fire Stop Centre - http://www.firestopcentre.co.nz

Building Networks - https://www.buildingnetworks.co.nz/

Building Act 2004 sections 100-112.

http://legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2004/0072/latest/DLM306036.html and the

Compliance schedule handbook https://www.building.govt.nz/building-code-code-compliance/building-code-and-handbooks/compliance-schedule-handbook/

Building (Forms) Regulations 2004 -

http://www.legislation.govt.nz/regulation/public/2004/0385/latest/whole.html#contents

Building (Specified Systems, Change the Use, and Earthquake-prone Buildings) Regulation 2005http://www.legislation.govt.nz/regulation/public/2005/0032/latest/DLM313977.html

NZ standards - https://www.standards.govt.nz/sponsored-standards/building-standards/ A useful site for Fire Designers and IQP's

Link to Dunedin City Council's Compliance Schedule and BWOF page: -

https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/services/building-services/compliance-schedule-and-specified-system-information

Institution of Fire Engineers – NZ Branch https://ife.org.nz/

