

Building and Plumbing Newsflash 620

Updated *Guideline for certificates from plumbers relating to building work*

Purpose

To advise that the [Guideline for certificates from plumbers relating to building work](#) (the guideline) has been updated and republished.

Background

The guideline made under section 258 of the *Building Act 1975* (BA), provide guidance to building certifiers who are considering seeking inspection help through completion of an approved form under the Building Regulation 2021 (BR) in relation to plumbing and drainage work under the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018* (PDA).

This guideline clarifies that it is not appropriate for a building certifier to seek inspection help in relation to plumbing or drainage work under the PDA.

A building certifier has no responsibility to inspect plumbing or drainage work. Such work is regulated under the PDA. Under the PDA, only a local government inspector may inspect plumbing or drainage work.

Updated guideline

The updated guideline:

- replaces references to Form 16 with the correct reference ([Form 12—Aspect Inspection Certificate \(Appointed Competent Person\)](#))
- updates references and provisions to reflect the BR
- incorporates minor design and format changes to improve readability.

The changes do not propose a policy change but merely update outdated references.

The updated guideline took effect from 24 August 2023.

More information

To view the guideline, visit the [Business Queensland website](#).

The [Building Act 1975](#), [Building Regulation 2021](#) and the [Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018](#) are available on the Queensland Government legislation website.

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