

Australian Capital Territory

Construction Occupations (Licensing) (Mandatory Qualifications) Declaration 2014 (No 1)

Notifiable instrument NI2014-503

made under the

Construction Occupations (Licensing) Regulation 2004, section 13 (Qualifications for individuals)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This notifiable instrument is made by the Construction Occupations Registrar under the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Regulation* section 13(1) and determines the minimum qualifications and experience that an individual must possess in order to obtain a construction occupation licence. It makes the following changes to the previous declaration dated 15 June 2012:

Common Application Criteria

Application criteria common to all occupations is now listed in Schedule 1. This consists of a provision for accepting more recent versions of qualifications or units of competency if those qualifications or units of competency are verified on the National Training Register at www.training.gov.au; and the requirement for letters from employers to be provided for all restricted electrician permits and licences is now listed here instead of under each individual restricted electrical licence class.

Provisions for reinstating expired licences have been amended and aligned across all occupations. There is now a provision for licence reinstatement within 12 months for occupations requiring insurance; and five (5) years for occupations not requiring insurance, which means applicants are not required to meet the full requirements of this Declaration if their licence has not been expired beyond this period.

Electrician

A 'Notes' section is now provided at the beginning of the electrician section, which outlines the restricted and unrestricted permit/licence processes.

The Certificate III qualification in *Electrotechnology Electrician* required to obtain an Unrestricted Electrician Licence must now contain a capstone assessment not obtained through recognition of prior learning.

The Restricted Electrician Licence for Type B Gas Appliances now requires completion of an additional unit of competency *Locate and Rectify Faults in Low Voltage Appliances*.

Qualifications and units of competency have been updated to show the most recent course numbers.

Drainer, Gasfitter and Plumber

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