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RE: Draft Code of Practice

On behalf of the Australian Institute of Architects (the Institute), we would like to thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the Board of Architects of Tasmania Draft Code of Practice.

Overall, the Institute is supportive of the changes made to this Draft Code of Practice.

We have, however, received a few suggestions from members, as outlined below.

Clause 5 Administering a building contract

This clause addresses matters arising in the administration of a building, but it does not cover an architect's involvement in administration of other construction contracts (not building works), or contracts with other providers eg demolition and/or excavation works, equipment suppliers and/or other consultants etc.

There are no comparable code requirements for the architect while providing services other than contract administration eg building inspections, reports, preliminary design and documentation etc. Also, there are no code requirements for an architect who is a staff architect but not one who is responsible for a project, or the architects providing contract services to another architect.

Clause 15 Notifications of qualifications and contact details

Clause 15 (1) The inclusion of the words *experience, awards, honours* in all documents is an unnecessary and unreasonable expectation. It is suggested that documents should include the ABN and building practitioners registration numbers, as required by law.

Clause 20 Run-off Insurance Cover

It is accepted that this is a prudent insurance for a retired architect, however it is outside the domain of the Board. It can only be a recommendation.

Clause 21 Continuing Professional Development for Practicing Architects

It is noted that there is no longer a joint AACA/RAIA Joint Policy of Continuing Professional Development, as most states have their own policy.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,



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