

SOUTH ISLAND IQP REGISTRATION PANEL

(Independent Qualified Persons)

PO Box 522

Timaru 7940

Phone: 03 687 7200

Fax 03 687 7209

South Island IQP Panel November 2019 Newsletter

Chair Persons Blog

Well another year has rolled on by - where do they go?!

I attended the ABC passive fire training course in Christchurch recently along with over 40 other participants.

I found it rewarding and challenging at the same time and feel for the IQP's that have to deal with a number of Councils with differing interpretations on acceptance criteria for Building Warrants of Fitness.

Hopefully the panel can work on this together to ensure some form of consistency applies.

I have approached some of the member Councils that have not sent staff to the quarterly panel meetings asking for attendance of at least one meeting each year.

This has met with a mixed response and engagement so time will tell if we will see the workload distributed more fairly.

On that note I would like to thank Kaikoura, Nelson, Tasman, Grey, Queenstown and Southland for their attendance at the AGM as I appreciate the travel time involved.

This contributed to an early start and enabled the panel to revisit the RFI's and new applications along with the AGM being completed in the 1 day.

I hope you all have a safe XMAS and spend some quality time with your families and friends

Kind Regards

Greig

Greig.wilson@wmk.govt.nz

IQP applications stats

- 2017 year - 29 existing IQP's applied for additional systems and there were 65 new applications, with 49 new IQP's being approved, and 31 removed.
- 2018 year – 36 existing IQP's applied for additional systems, there were 66 new applications and 56 approved and 22 removed.
- 2019 year – 21 existing IQP's applied for additional systems. 72 new applications with 62 approved and 35 removed.

Up-coming events of interest –

<http://www.abciqp.org.nz/home>

ABC run train-up events at various locations around the country – check their website for dates.

Building Networks – various forums and training – nationwide -

<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/o/building-networks-nz-ltd-1505392496>

SOUTH ISLAND IQP REGISTRATION PANEL

(Independent Qualified Persons)

PO Box 522

Timaru 7940

Phone: 03 687 7200

Fax 03 687 7209

OPUS – Back Flow Courses

<https://opusetc.co.nz/water-treatment-training>

****Next Panel Meeting – 20 February 2020 – cut-off date for applications 12 February****

****A plea from the secretary – if you leave a job, change postal address or are planning to retire, please notify me. I am wasting a lot of time trying to track people down, dealing with returned mail, and crediting invoices.****

Reminders for new applicants or those applying for additional systems.

- Supply references that are **relevant** to the specified systems being applied for.
- The page five questions are being poorly answered – refer to the relevant links and legislation – these are on the application form and in this newsletter.
- Your work history needs to be **descriptive** and **complete** – remember you are selling your skills and experience to the Panel.

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>

If you need a word version of the application form please email Mary :-
mary.gazzard@timdc.govt.nz



The questions on page five are also proving to be a stumbling point, when answering the 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>

References: When completing a reference to support an application for SI IQP registration, **please** 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.

Applications to become IQP registered: Please take care when completing applications and remember the more **relevant** 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.

SOUTH ISLAND IQP REGISTRATION PANEL

(Independent Qualified Persons)

PO Box 522

Timaru 7940

Phone: 03 687 7200

Fax 03 687 7209

Applications were declined for:

- Detail of Work Experience
- References (Quality of) and Lack of
- Not meeting the set criteria

Annual Renewal Letter

This gets sent with your annual renewal invoice – **PLEASE** - fill it out and return it to Mary. Scanning and emailing it is fine, just send it in!

****A plea from the secretary – if you leave a job, change postal address or are planning to retire, please notify me. I am wasting a lot of time trying to track people down, dealing with returned mail, and crediting invoices****

****Next Panel Meeting – 20 February 2020 – cut-off date for applications 12 February****

Reminders:-

- IQP's **MUST** work within their competency and registration.
- 12a's are not issued in the interest of the building owner, they should be 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.

Specified System Matrix – Southland District Council

There are some un-fortunate cases of specified systems not performing as intended after issue of the Code Compliance Certificate.

Where this relates to fire safety systems this can have a drastic effect on the building and all involved.

In preventing this happening, clear documentation of the compliance path from design to commissioning is critical.

Specified systems compliance path assistance can be found in Southland District Council website under "specified system matrix" - www.southlanddc.govt.nz - or at this link <http://yvesbroers.com/sdc/index.html>

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.

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

SOUTH ISLAND IQP REGISTRATION PANEL

(Independent Qualified Persons)

PO Box 522

Timaru 7940

Phone: 03 687 7200

Fax 03 687 7209

Useful website links

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

Back Flow Training info –

<https://training.opuseducation.co.nz/courses/194-backflow-prevention-2019?xdr=eyJDT09LSUUiOmsid2dzdGF0czMiOiil1YzdjYmEzZjA2MwQ4NjEwYzkyYWRkNGYifX0%3D>

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/>

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

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-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) Regulations 2005 <http://www.legislation.govt.nz/regulation/public/2005/0032/latest/DLM313977.html>

Southland District Council – Specified System Matrix -

<http://yvesbroers.com/sdc/index.html>

Sponsored NZ standards - <https://www.standards.govt.nz/sponsored-standards/building-standards/>

****A plea from the secretary – if you leave a job, change postal address or are planning to retire, please notify me. I am wasting a lot of time trying to track people down, dealing with returned mail, and crediting invoices****

****Next Panel Meeting – 20 February 2020 – cut-off date for applications 12 February****

