

# SOUTH ISLAND IQP REGISTRATION PANEL

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## South Island IQP Panel February/March 2021 Newsletter

### From the Chair

Hello and Welcome to 2021.

Let's hope it is not as challenging as last year and the Coronavirus vaccine rolls out over the next few months.

I would like to extend my thanks to the IQP industry for their efforts during this time and their willingness to undertake a solutions based approach.

MBIE, the ABC Association and other industry experts are collectively working towards updating the Compliance Schedule handbook and its due out later on this year so I am led to believe, and both will be invited to provide an update at the May panel meeting.

There are a number of training/refresher courses available including a new backflow refresher course –details of which are included in this newsletter.

While these are not compulsory for annual renewals, it is great to see these training opportunities available.

The application form questions have been revamped to provide some direction for prospective IQP's on their understanding of the relevant sections of the Building Act.

Kind Regards

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## And from the secretary – please read!

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### **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.

**NB.** The IQP application form has been **updated**, 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](https://www.timaru.govt.nz/_data/assets/pdf_file/0003/19524/Application-form-Acceptance-as-a-South-Island-Independent-Qualified-Person.pdf)

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](mailto:mary.gazzard@timdc.govt.nz)

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Kind regards

Mary



**Mary Gazzard** | Compliance Officer Building  
South Island IQP Register Secretary

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## Up-coming events of interest –

**The Association of Building Compliance Conference has been rescheduled for 17 and 18 August 2021.**

The conference will still be held in Christchurch.

Keep an eye on the ABC website for more details - <http://www.abciqp.org.nz/abc-conference-2020>

Various ABC Train-up events held throughout the year  
<http://www.abciqp.org.nz/>

**FPANZ – Get it Right Seminars** – kicking off with a gas flood seminar.

Check out the **March** newsletter for dates – sessions will take place in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch.

Subscribe to the FPA newsletter mailing list here:-

<http://www.fireprotection.org.nz/>

**Fire NZ – Professionalism and Innovation Conference & Exhibition**

27-29 October 2021 – Energy Events Centre, Rotorua

<http://www.firenz.org/>

## **Building Officials Institute of NZ Courses**

29-31 March – BWOFF and Specified Systems - Wellington

<https://www.boinz.org.nz/tools/events/details.aspx?SECT=education&ID=19180>

12-13 April – Fire Documents – Wellington

<https://www.boinz.org.nz/tools/events/details.aspx?SECT=education&ID=19186>

13-15 April - BWOFF and Specified Systems – Dunedin

<https://www.boinz.org.nz/tools/events/details.aspx?SECT=education&ID=19419>

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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.

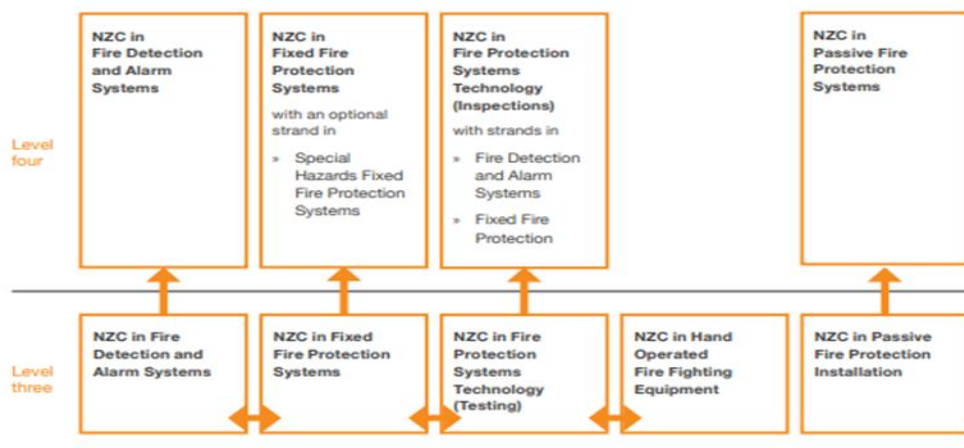
These qualifications take a step-by-step approach. Key benefits of the programmes are:

- 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
- Competenz training advisor visits to support learners through their training
- Nationally recognised qualifications registered with the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA).

Competenz 

## 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](mailto:info@competenz.org.nz).

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## **Useful training websites**

**Trade Lab Backflow Refresher Course** – see industry endorsement below  
<https://courses.tradelab.co/p/refresher-course-iqp-backflow>



**Backflow Group**  
WATER NEW ZEALAND



### **ENDORSEMENT OF BECA BACKFLOW REFRESHER COURSE**

The Water New Zealand Backflow Group, in association with the Training Development Manager at Water New Zealand has assessed the Backflow Refresher course provided by Nik McIntosh.

We have found the course to be composed superbly, presented effectively and fully fit for purpose.

As such we wholeheartedly endorse this course and hope that it can be accepted into the training curriculum forthwith.

Yours faithfully

Jim McGibbon

Chair of Water New Zealand Backflow Group.

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## **FPANZ February Newsletter**

[https://cdn-au.mailssnd.com/40975/JSshZTA9Ah5qKX1SPTxIFsFSXPvX\\_41CWE9lMrR21NU/2555601.pdf](https://cdn-au.mailssnd.com/40975/JSshZTA9Ah5qKX1SPTxIFsFSXPvX_41CWE9lMrR21NU/2555601.pdf)

Link to archived FPA newsletters:-

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

## **Training links**

<http://www.abcigp.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>

<https://www.buildingnetworks.co.nz/iqps.html>

## **OPUS – Back Flow Courses**

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

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## 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 -

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**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.**

**Applications were declined for:**

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

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## 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.

SOUTH ISLAND IQP  
APPROVAL / WITHDRAWAL FROM MEETING HELD 25 Feb 2021

### Approvals

IQP	Company	Address	Features Approved	IQP Number
M Cameron	Think Water	Leeston	SS7	948
A Wright	Smartflow Plumbing & Gas	Christchurch	SS7	939
J Laheney	Aquaheat	Christchurch	SS9	944
S Evans	Tec Com Ltd	Dunedin	SS2, SS4 & SS14.2	941
L Todd	Gavin Lowe Energy	Christchurch	SS5 & SS11	450
A Ockwell	Hanmer Alpine Electrical & Air Conditioning Ltd	Hanmer Springs	SS4	940
K Hatton	The Heat Pump People	Christchurch	SS9	946
E Venrooy	Aotea Electric	Christchurch	SS4	947
S Williams	Aotea Security	Dunedin	SS3.2	945
F Joubert	Chubb	Christchurch	SS3.1, SS3.2 & SS14.2	943
D Tackney	Chubb	Christchurch	SS2 & SS3.2	942

### Withdrawals/Removals

IQP Removed:	Date:	Last Known Company:	Address:	IQP No.	Reason (retired/failed to contact/location unknown)
M Carran	01/12/20	Southland Plumbing & Pumps	Invercargill	335	Moved to Australia
M Dench	03/02/21	Airco Systems & Service	Christchurch	804	Retired
A Bundy	01/02/21	Delta	Dunedin	795	Moved overseas
W Patterson	01/12/20	Plumbers & Building Services Ltf	Invercargill	493	Retired
K Burgess	01/03/21	Norflex Products Ltd	Christchurch	193	Retired

## 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](http://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.

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## Useful website links

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

Back Flow Training info –

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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>

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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 useful site for Fire Designers and IQP's**

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

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

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