

NORTHERN TERRITORY BUILDING PRACTITIONERS BOARD

POLICY TITLE:	Requirement to Register a Company as a Building Practitioner		
POLICY NO.:	BPB-013		
EFFECTIVE DATE:	08/12/2008	REVIEW DATE:	08/12/2009

Purpose of Policy:

To ensure that companies offering practitioner services are registered, as required by the *Building Act* (the 'Act').

Supporting Policies/Documents:

Section 22 of the *Building Act* provides that a person (which includes a company) shall not:

- (a) take or use the title of building practitioner or building practitioner of a particular category of building practitioners (either alone or in combination with any other words);
- (b) perform a function or exercise a power of, or work as, a building practitioner or building practitioner of a particular category of building practitioner; or
- (c) in any way imply that he or she is –
 - (i) registered under this Part; or
 - (ii) authorised to perform a function or work for which registration is required under this Part,

without being registered in the relevant category.

Policy:

Where a company offers services or functions as a building practitioner in any category, that company must be registered in the relevant category.

Once a company is registered:

- (a) all contracts or engagements entered into by the company shall identify it as the practitioner;
- (b) all work undertaken by the company shall be under the company's registration number and appropriate insurance and not under the registration number of an individual employee;
- (c) all work shall be carried out by or at the direction of, and certified by, a natural person who is registered in the appropriate practitioner category (s.25(2)(a) of the Act); and
- (d) all advertisements relating to the services/functions offered by the company shall include that person's name (s.25(2)(b) of the Act).

Adopted by the Building Practitioners Board



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Chairman

8/12/08

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Date