NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

Regulations 1998, No. 28*

Regulations under the Building Act

I, NEIL RAYMOND CONN, the Administrator of the Northern Territory of Australia, acting with the advice of the Executive Council, make the following regulations under the *Building Act*.

Dated 26 June 1998.

N R CONN Administrator

AMENDMENTS OF BUILDING REGULATIONS

1. HEADING TO PART 11

The heading to Part 11 of the Building Regulations is amended by omitting "MISCELLANEOUS" and substituting "BUILDING PRACTITIONERS".

2. NEW REGULATIONS

The Building Regulations are amended by inserting before section 40 in Part 11 the following:

"39A. CATEGORIES OF BUILDING PRACTITIONERS

"For the purposes of paragraph (e) of the definition of 'building practitioner' in section 4 of the Act, the following categories of building practitioners are prescribed:

- (a) certifying engineer (hydraulic);
- (b) certifying engineer (mechanical);
- (c) certifying plumber and drainer (design).

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"39B. CONDITIONS FOR REGISTRATION OF NATURAL PERSONS

"(1) For the purposes of section 24(1)(c) of the Act, it is a condition for registration as a building certifier that the applicant for registration has had at least 4 years practical experience in building surveying in relation to all classes of buildings.

"(2) For the purposes of section 24(1)(c) of the Act, it is a condition for registration as a building certifier (residential) that the applicant for registration has had at least 3 years practical experience in building surveying of Class 1 and Class 10 buildings.

"(3) For the purposes of section 24(1)(c) of the Act, it is a condition for registration as a certifying engineer that the applicant for registration has had at least 3 years practical experience in the design of and supervision of the construction of structural engineering works for buildings, including -

- (a) at least 12 months practical experience in the design of structural engineering works for buildings; and
- (b) at least 12 months practical experience in the supervision of the construction of structural engineering works for buildings.

"(4) Subregulation (3) does not apply to an applicant who holds a certificate of registration as a structural engineer on the National Professional Engineers Register - Section Three (NPER-3).

"(5) For the purposes of section 24(1)(c) of the Act, it is a condition for registration as a certifying engineer (hydraulic) that the applicant for registration has had at least 3 years practical experience in the design of and supervision of the construction of building hydraulic services, including -

- (a) at least 12 months practical experience in the design of building hydraulic services; and
- (b) at least 12 months practical experience in the supervision of the construction of building hydraulic services.

"(6) For the purposes of section 24(1)(c) of the Act, it is a condition for registration as a certifying engineer (mechanical) that the applicant for registration has had at least 3 years practical experience in the design of and supervision of the construction of mechanical services in buildings, including -

- (a) at least 12 months practical experience in the design of mechanical services in buildings; and
- (b) at least 12 months practical experience in the supervision of the construction of mechanical services in buildings.

"(7) Subregulation (6) does not apply to an applicant who holds a certificate of registration as a mechanical engineer on the National Professional Engineers Register - Section Three (NPER-3).

"(8) For the purposes of section 24(1)(c) of the Act, it is a condition for registration as a certifying plumber that the applicant for registration holds an advanced tradesman's licence in both plumbing and draining issued under the *Plumbers and Drainers Licensing Act*.

"(9) For the purposes of section 24(1)(c) of the Act, it is a condition for registration as a certifying plumber and drainer (design) that the applicant for registration has had at least 5 years practical experience in the design of plumbing and drainage systems and of on-site sewage disposal systems.

"(10) For the purposes of section 24(1)(c) of the Act, it is a condition for registration as a certifying architect that the applicant for registration -

- (a) is registered as an architect under the Architects Act; and
- (b) has had at least 4 years practical experience in building surveying work in relation to all classes of buildings.

"(11) For the purposes of this regulation, a period of practical experience may only be taken into account in relation to a category of building practitioner if the period commenced after the applicant held a qualification determined by the Board under section 14(1)(a) of the Act in relation to the category.".

3. NEW PART HEADING

The Building Regulations are amended by inserting after regulation 41 the following:

"PART 12 - MISCELLANEOUS".