

Plumbers and Drainers Licensing Board

PL 006 – Applications for Advanced Tradesman Licence

The *Plumbers and Drainers Licensing Act 1983* (the Act) states that, to qualify for an Advanced Tradesman's licence, an applicant must demonstrate that he/she is competent to:

- assess the scope and technical requirements of plumbing or draining under a contract
- determine the skills and resources necessary to carry out the work
- put in place appropriate arrangements for carrying out the work properly and safely in compliance with the prescribed Acts.

The Plumbers & Drainers Licensing Board (PDLB) has determined that, in order to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the Act, applicants must provide evidence to show that they have:

1. Completed two years post-trade work experience in plumbing/draining from the date of issue of unconditional Journeyman Registration Card in Australia, while working under the supervision and employment of an Advanced Tradesperson who is directly employed by the same company.
2. Completed the below listed 10 units of competency from the CPC40920 - Certificate IV in Plumbing and Services Package. A document stating how the grades were attained must accompany any application from the Registered Training Organisation (RTO).
3. PDLB will recognise a Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) accreditation for the Water, Sanitary or Drainage units only if the criteria listed below is met;
 - a. The RTO has Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) scope to deliver training products as confirmed on training.gov.au.
 - b. Sufficient evidence is submitted with the application to show competence against the units that have the RPL grading.
 - c. PDLB reserves the right to request supplementary evidence from the individual.
 - d. A challenge assessment may also be required. PDLB's decision is final.
4. If an applicant feels they have the necessary skill set, they may provide a brief of evidence for the PDLB's consideration. It must be sufficient to show the individual has the skills and expertise required, along with any other necessary documentation as part of the application.
5. PDLB may also request supplementary evidence from the individual.
6. A challenge assessment may also be required. PDLB's decision is final.
7. All additional evidence must be accompanied by a Statutory Declaration which states the brief of evidence is that of the applicant.

Core	Title
CPCPCM4011	Carry out work based risk control processes
CPCPCM4012	Estimate and cost work
BSBESB402	Establish legal and risk management requirements of new business ventures

Drainage	Title
CPCPDR4011	Design and size sanitary drainage systems
CPCPDR4012	Design and size stormwater drainage systems
CPCPDR4013	Design and size domestic treatment plant disposal systems
Sanitary	Title
CPCPSN4011	Design and size sanitary plumbing systems
Water	Title
CPCPWT4011	Design and size heated and cold water services and systems
CPCPWT4022	Commission and maintain backflow prevention devices
CPCPWT4023	Commission and maintain hot and heated water temperature control devices

MUTUAL RECOGNITION

An applicant who holds a current Registration/Licence in another state/territory may apply for the equivalent registration/licence in the NT under Mutual Recognition. Evidence of the current licence/registration must be provided with the application.

Adopted by the Plumbers and Drainers Licensing Board



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Chairperson

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