

Plumbers and Drainers Licensing Board



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Anyone employed to do plumbing/drainage work in the NT must hold a current Northern Territory Journeyman registration or an Advanced Tradesman licence. If you employ someone, it is your responsibility to ensure he is appropriately registered or licensed. Please read below to find out how he can get registered/licensed in the NT.

LICENSED ELSEWHERE IN AUSTRALIA / NZ

Someone who holds a licence in another state or in New Zealand can apply under **Mutual Recognition** and will be issued with the NT equivalent. He is entitled to work as soon as he has lodged a complete application and paid the application fee, the Registrar will confirm interstate licence details and the NT card will normally be issued within a week.

EQUIVALENT LICENCES INTERSTATE

To see interstate licence equivalents, visit the COAG site:

www.licencerecognition.gov.au/Default.aspx

TRAINED IN AUSTRALIA BUT NOT LICENSED

Someone who completed an apprenticeship in Australia but has never been licensed/registered must show he has completed an **Australian apprenticeship** and the equivalent of a Certificate III in Plumbing.

He should lodge an application with the Board and provide copies of his interstate qualifications. These will be sent to Charles Darwin University's Trade School to be assessed against the requirements for Journeyman registration in the NT. Gap training may be required.

On advice from CDU that he meets the requirements, the applicant will be given Journeyman registration.

NOW IN AUSTRALIA, BUT TRAINED OVERSEAS

Someone who completed training overseas and is now in the NT will need to complete **an apprenticeship in Australia**, AND complete **gap training to reach Certificate III level**. He should contact **Charles Darwin University on 8946 7189**, who will assess his training and experience and list what gap training is required. CDU will also provide assistance with registering as an apprentice and ensure he has the right visa. Recognition will be given for training completed overseas and the length of the apprenticeship will be adjusted accordingly. **On completion of gap training and apprenticeship**, he can apply for Journeyman registration.

OBTAINING AN ADVANCED TRADESMAN LICENCE

Applicants must have:

1. Held a Journeyman registration (or equivalent) in Australia for two years; and
2. Completed ten competencies from the Certificate IV qualification (see Board's website).

The requirements for an ATL are the same for everyone, regardless of how they got their Journeyman registration.

HOW TO LODGE AN APPLICATION

Application forms and current application fees can be found on the forms page of the Board's website:

www.nt.gov.au/plumbing

Applications may be lodged by email, mail, or in person at the address shown on the form. Only complete applications will be considered, ie one which includes all required information and fee.

For more information visit the Board's website or contact the Registrar on 08-8936 4083.



