



Building Services Authority

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Building regulations changing today

From today, there will be a change to building licensing regulations in Queensland, Building Services Authority General Manager Ian Jennings announced.

Mr Jennings said that most work valued at \$3,300 or less is now exempt from BSA's licensing requirements. The previous threshold was \$1,100.

"The change in the building work threshold simplifies Queensland building regulations by aligning the value of building work with the threshold for work that must be insured," he said.

"BSA operates the Queensland Home Warranty Scheme that insures building work valued at more than \$3,300 against defects, incompleteness or subsidence."

Mr Jennings said, with the exception of hydraulic services design, the following types of work will still need a licence, regardless of the work's value:

- Building design
- Completed residential building inspections
- Fire protection work
- Plumbing and drainage
- Drainage
- Site classification
- Gas fitting
- Termite management – chemical
- Hydraulic services design (work up to \$1,100 can be done without a licence)

"I encourage all homeowners getting work done on their homes to check if their tradie needs a licence by calling BSA on 1300 272 272 or visiting www.bsa.qld.gov.au," Mr Jennings said.