



Building Amendment Regulations 2015

This is to advise permit authorities that the Building Amendment Regulations 2015 (the Amendment Regulations) were published in the Government Gazette on 15 September 2015 to come into operation on 1 October 2015.

The Amendment Regulations amend regulations 10(2) and 10(3) of the Building Regulations 2012 to replace, with alternative provisions, the existing provisions defining owner in relation to Crown land. The definition prescribes which person must be named on and sign applications and certain consents under the *Building Act 2011* as the owner in relation to Crown land. For instance, applications for building, demolition or occupancy permits or building approval certificates, as well as the provision of consent for certain work affecting Crown land.

This proposal not only makes clearer which parties are the owner in specified circumstances but will also, for some types of Crown land, reduce the number of agencies which must be named on and sign the application or consent. This relieves the regulatory burden for the Department of Lands (DoL), the Minister for Lands and other government agencies in having to comply with owner requirements in the Act regarding Crown land.

Further information on the practical implications of the Amendment Regulations is provided in the [Guide to the new definition of owner in relation to Crown land](#). The Guide was jointly prepared by the DoL and the Building Commission.

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