PLEASE NOTE that any questions with respect to the Building Commission assessments, including dates, times and fees, should be directed to the Building Commission Registration staff on (08) 9476 1200.

Country applicants: Arrangements may be made for country applicants to sit the assessments at a training facility closer to their place of residence.

Alternatively candidates can enrol to complete the Course in Painters’ Registration. On successful completion of the unit, participants will not be required to sit the Building Commission assessment. Please contact the relevant registered training organisations for information about enrolment and applications.

Registered Training Organisations:
Polytechnic West (Thornlie): 08 9276 7674
Master Painters Association (Maylands): 08 9471 6662

There are six parts to the assessment.

1. Occupational Health & Safety
2. Painters’ Tools & Equipment
3. Surface Preparation & Coating Defects
4. Coatings Technology
5. Colour
6. Wall Coverings

Marks for each part are detailed on the assessment paper for a total of 100 marks. To pass the assessment, applicants must achieve an overall mark of not less than 50%, or 50 marks.

Identification:
Applicants will need to present, and have with them during the assessment, suitable photo identification such as a passport or driver’s licence.

Materials and resources:
Applicants will need to bring with them a scale ruler, calculator, and writing implements (pens, pencil, eraser etc). Pencil cases are not permitted to be taken into the examination room.
No books, reference materials or other resources may be taken into the assessment.

PLEASE NOTE that no material other than the assessment paper and blank paper will be provided.

The provisions of the Building Services (Registration) Act 2011 allow the Building Services Board to assess an applicant’s fitness and competency to carry out painting work. The Board in assessing an applicant’s competency will take into account whether an applicant has passed the assessments set by the Board.
The assessment is designed to cover the knowledge an applicant would have gained if the applicant had undertaken and passed the prescribed course of study being the Course in Painters’ Registration. Set out in the summary below are the areas covered by each part of this assessment.

**SUMMARY**

1. **OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY**
   This section of the assessment seeks to examine your knowledge and understanding in applying the OHS requirements, policies and procedures in the painting industry.

2. **PAINTERS’ TOOLS & EQUIPMENT**
   This section of the assessment seeks to examine your knowledge and understanding in the use and identification of tools and equipment within the painting and decorating industry.

3. **SURFACE PREPARATION & COATING DEFECTS**
   This section of the assessment seeks to examine your knowledge and understanding in the preparation of new and old substrates encountered in the construction industry, also identifying defects and establishing the appropriate rectification methods.

4. **COATINGS TECHNOLOGY**
   This section of the assessment seeks to examine your knowledge and understanding of the coating systems used in the painting and decorating industry, such as primers, sealers, undercoats and finishing coats.
   Applicants should be familiar with Australian Standard AS2311: Guide to the Painting of Buildings.

5. **COLOUR**
   This section of the assessment seeks to examine your knowledge and understanding of terms relating to colour schemes, safety signs and safety colours.

6. **WALL COVERINGS**
   This section of the assessment seeks to examine your knowledge and understanding of wall coverings, hanging techniques and types of adhesives.
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**Australian Standards:**

- **AS2311 Guide to the Painting of Buildings**

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