

Working as a Plumber in Tasmania

Information for AMR deemed registrations

Purpose

This info sheet outlines the requirements for interstate plumbers wanting to work in Tasmania using Automatic Mutual Recognition (AMR).

For more information on AMR, visit www.cbos.tas.gov.au/AMR.

Am I eligible for AMR?

To be eligible to work as a plumber in Tasmania using AMR, you need:

- A current plumber licence from your home state/territory; and
- If you are contracting for work, be covered by a Public and Products Liability Insurance policy of at least \$5 million.

A plumbing contractor (a sole trader) requires a contractor and practitioner licence from another Australian state or territory. You must complete the notification for your practitioner licence before completing the notification for your contractor licence – as one must relate to the other in our licensing system.

If you are eligible and want to start working in Tasmania, **you must notify** the Tasmanian Government of your intention to work via our online portal, [Occupational Licensing - Application Start \(justice.tas.gov.au\)](http://Occupational Licensing - Application Start (justice.tas.gov.au)).

A number of circumstances may prevent you from using AMR, including:

- If you've been suspended from holding your licence or have had conditions imposed on your licence as a result of disciplinary action in your home state or another state/territory;
- You have been subject to disciplinary, criminal or civil action against you within Australia with respect to your licence;
- You have been refused a licence in another state/territory; or

- You have permanently relocated to Tasmania from another state/territory.

What activities can I perform in Tasmania using AMR?

AMR allows you to perform the same work that you are licensed to perform in your home jurisdiction within any other participating jurisdiction.

After notifying the Tasmanian Government of your intention to work in Tasmania and comply with our public protection requirements (including insurance requirements), you can then carry out that same work that you are licensed to perform in your Home State within Tasmania.

To find out more on the consumer protection requirements for your licence type, see cbos.tas.gov.au/consumer-protection-requirements

Example:

John holds a plumbing contractor licence in Victoria and wishes to contract for a project or projects in Tasmania. John's Victorian plumbing licence allows John to contract for, and perform, plumbing work which is 'water supply work' under the definitions of Victoria's Plumbing Regulations 2018 (Vic). John may carry out the same 'water supply work' in Tasmania as permitted by his Victorian licence but cannot carry out other work, such as backflow prevention work, unless his Victorian licence also allows him to do this work.

After John notifies the Tasmanian Government of his intention to work in Tasmania and having complied with Tasmania's public protection (insurance) requirements, John may work as a licensed plumber in Tasmania, limited to the same limitations as he has in Victoria.

Jane must also comply with all relevant local law requirements under Tasmania's Building Regulatory Framework, including the requirements in the *Building Act 2016* (Tas) and *Occupational Licensing Act 2005* (Tas). These requirements include using all the approved forms, undertaking Continuing Professional Development, and complying with Tasmania's occupational licensing code of conduct.

How do I start using AMR in Tasmania?

To start working in Tasmania using AMR, you must complete a notification. To complete your notification online, [Occupational Licensing - Application Start \(justice.tas.gov.au\)](http://justice.tas.gov.au).

As part of completing your notification, you will need to provide a summary of your licence scope of work, proof of your current licence, proof of identity, and evidence of your Public and Products Liability insurance (if required).

Tasmania may contact other regulators concerning your deemed registration.

You can commence work in Tasmania as soon as you have completed your notification and comply with Tasmania's public protection requirements.

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Other information

There are a number of important Acts, Regulations and Determinations which set Tasmania's building regulatory framework. Some of these are listed below.

You should also be aware that continuing professional development (CPD) is mandatory for all persons carrying on work prescribed under the *Occupational Licensing Act 2005*, including plumbers. You must comply with CPD and other consumer protection requirements and may be subject to audit and investigation at any time.

Legislation

- [Building Act 2016](#)
- [Building Regulations 2016](#)
- [Occupational Licensing Act 2005](#)

Approved Forms

- [Standard of Work Certificate \(Plumbing\)](#)
- [Start Work Notification](#)

Other Important Documents

- [Guide to the Building Act 2016](#)
- [Director's Determinations:](#)
 - [Categories of Plumbing Work](#)
- [Codes of Practice](#)
 - [Standards of Plumbing Work Code of Practice](#)
 - [Supervision of Prescribed Work Code of Practice](#)
- [Continuing Professional Development Determination](#)

Online portal for property development

PlanBuild Tasmania will deliver a single access point for the industry, property owners and councils to obtain information on planning and building rules for their development projects and manage the planning, building, plumbing and related public and environmental health applications across Tasmania.

The Enquiry service provides free, online access to planning information, spatial data and mapping services and regulatory requirements relating to planning, building and referral authority approvals.

Future functionality will include the online lodgement of applications.

Visit planbuild.tas.gov.au for more information and to start an enquiry.

More information

For more information, visit www.cbos.tas.gov.au, or contact us at CBOS.info@justice.tas.gov.au, or phone **1300 654 499**.

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