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Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers (Fees, and Disciplinary and Prosecution Levy) Notice 2018

The Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers Board ("Board") issues the following notice under sections 142 and 143 of the Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers Act 2006 ("Act").

Notice

1. Title

This notice is the Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers (Fees, and Disciplinary and Prosecution Levy) Notice 2018.

2. Commencement

This notice comes into force on 1 January 2019.

3. Purpose

- (1) This notice sets the fees, and disciplinary and prosecution levy that apply to the licensing period beginning on 1 April 2019 and onwards.
- (2) This notice revokes the Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers (Fees, and Disciplinary and Prosecution Levy) Notice 2016 ("2016 notice"), published in the <u>New Zealand Gazette</u>, 17 <u>December 2015</u>, <u>Issue No. 141</u>, <u>Notice No. 2015-gs7303</u>, with effect from 1 April 2019.

4. Interpretation

In this notice:

- a. licensing period means a period beginning on 1 April and finishing on 31 March the following year; and
- b. trade means sanitary plumbing, gasfitting, or drainlaying.

5. Fees, and Disciplinary and Prosecution Levy

(1) The Board sets the following fees:

Fee or levy	Amount
Registration (per registration class, per trade)	\$375.00
Provisional licence (per trade)	\$90.00
Practising licence (per registration class, per trade)	\$90.00
Notification of exemption under supervision under section 19, 21, or 25	\$90.00
Trainee limited certificate (per person)	\$55.00
Exemption for installing and maintaining particular sanitary plumbing equipment (section 18)	Full cost recovery
Exemption for person authorised to carry out or supervise gasfitting (section 20)	Full cost recovery
Exemption for fixing of water heaters by gasfitters (section 24)	Full cost recovery
Exemption from registration and licensing requirements and conditions (section 52)	\$1,200.00
Employer licence	Full cost recovery
Advanced Proficiency assessment application	\$690.00
Advanced Proficiency assessment*	\$2,300.00
Advanced proficiency assessment materials^	\$1,500.00
Examinations	\$350.00
Examination reconsideration	\$110.00
Disciplinary and prosecution levy	\$285.00

^{*}Maximum fee at the rate of 20 hour at \$115.00 per hour. Balance refundable

[^]Maximum fee. Charged at actual cost. Balance refundable

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6. Payment of Fees and Levy

- (1) All fees are processing fees and apply whether or not an application is granted or notification accepted.
- (2) Fees that are set in this notice must be paid to the Board when a person makes an application or provides a notification.
- (3) Where the fee is full cost recovery, the Board will give the applicant an initial estimate. The initial estimate must be paid at the time the application is made. If the initial estimate is greater than the final processing cost, the Board will refund the difference. If the final processing cost is greater than the initial estimate, the applicant must pay the difference before the application is granted.
- (4) The fee for the following matters is an annual fee which must be paid in relation to each licensing period:
 - a. practising licence;
 - b. notification under sections 19, 21, or 25 of the Act; and
 - c. trainee limited certificate.
- (5) The levy must be paid to the Board once per licensing period when the person applies for a practising licence.
- (6) All fees and the levy are inclusive of goods and services tax.

7. Applicable Fees and Levy

- (1) The fee for an application relating to the licensing period from 1 April 2019 onwards is the fee set out in this notice.
- (2) The fee for an application relating to the licensing period ending on 31 March 2019 is the fee set out in the 2016 notice.
- (3) The levy which applies to the licensing period from 1 April 2019 onwards is the levy set out in this notice.
- (4) The levy which applies to the licensing period ending on 31 March 2019 is the levy set out in the 2016 notice.

8. Waiver or Refund of Fees and Levy

The Board may grant a full or partial waiver or refund of any fee or levy.

Dated at Wellington this 17th day of September 2018.

WILLIAM HENRY MARTIN SAWYERS, Registrar, Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers Board.

Explanatory Note

This note is not part of the notice and has been included to explain its general effect.

Under section 142 of the Act, the Board may prescribe fees in respect of certain matters. The Board may also impose a disciplinary and prosecution levy on all registered persons under section 143 of the Act.

This notice sets out the fees, and disciplinary and prosecution levy payable to the Board. The notice follows a review carried out in 2018 of Board fees and the disciplinary and prosecution levy which included sector consultation.

The fees, and disciplinary and prosecution levy set in this notice apply from 1 April 2019, or to any application for the licensing period from 1 April 2019. The fees, and disciplinary and prosecution levy in the 2016 notice apply to any application for the licensing period ending on 31 March 2019.

This notice revokes the 2016 notice with effect from 1 April 2019.

This notice is administered by the Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers Board.

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