

## Associated tradesperson registration

# What you should know about carrying out electrical work

There are a few types of electrical work you can do without being a qualified electrical worker.

- Other than exempt tasks (see the EWRB website [link](#) for specific information; also r57 of the Electricity (Safety) Regulations 2010), 'Doing it yourself' or having electrical work done by unqualified tradespeople is not only unsafe, but illegal.
- It is worth noting there are 10 classes of registration for electrical workers and each class is limited to a specific type of work.
- The types of work each class of registration is permitted to perform are also listed on the EWRB website, unless the work being carried out is specifically excluded from the definition of prescribed electrical work by Clause 2 of the First Schedule to the Electricity (Safety) Regulations 2010.
- There is provision for both plumbers and gasfitters to apply for to the EWRB for an associated tradesperson registration.

## What you need to be eligible

Those seeking registration as an Associated Tradesperson plumber or gasfitter must have:

- (a) obtained registration from the Plumbers Gasfitters and Drainlayers Board as a plumber or a gasfitter or a plumber/gasfitter; and
- (b) passed the Associated Tradesperson written theoretical examination(s); and
- (c) passed the Associated Tradesperson practical examination(s) or assessment(s).

## Associated tradesperson – plumber

 The types of work an Associated Tradesperson plumber is permitted to carry out are:

- (a) the maintenance and replacement of fittings that have an electrical rating of not more than 250 volts and 16 amperes which are one of the following:
  - (i) storage water heater elements;
  - (ii) storage water heater thermostats.
- (b) the disconnection and connection of fittings from or to a power supply, other than by means of a plug or pin inserted into a socket, or an appliance coupler inserted into an appliance inlet; where those fittings have an electrical rating of not more than 250 volts and 16 amperes and are one of the following:
  - (i) waste disposal units;
  - (ii) electronic water control units;
  - (iii) water pressure devices;
  - (iv) storage water heaters.
- (c) the testing of work described in paragraphs (a) and (b) above; and
- (d) the certification of work described in paragraphs (a) and (b) above; and
- (e) the supervision of any work described in paragraphs (a) to (d) above.

## Associated tradesperson – gasfitter

 The types of work an Associated Tradesperson gasfitter is permitted to carry out are:

- (f) the maintenance and replacement of fittings that have an electrical rating of not more than 250 volts and 16 amperes which form part of gas fired equipment; and
- (g) the disconnection and connection of fittings from or to a power supply, other than by means of a plug or pin inserted into a socket, or an appliance coupler inserted into an appliance inlet; where those fittings have an electrical rating of not more than 250 volts and 16 amperes and form part of gas fired equipment; and
- (h) the testing of work described in paragraphs (f) and (g) above; and
- (i) the certification of work described in paragraphs (f) and (g) above; and
- (j) the supervision of any work described in paragraphs (f) to (i) above.

## Associated tradesperson – plumber/gasfitter

  (k) All of the work described in paragraphs (a) to (j) above.