

Building Bulletin

Welcome to the second issue of the “**Building Bulletin**” for 2015; I trust that there will be something of interest to you all in this bulletin.

Our customers constantly tell us that consistency is the most important thing for them; we hope that this bulletin will go some way towards achieving that goal.

There are some significant issues we are struggling with at the moment, evidenced by the fact between 25 and 40 per cent of all building inspections continue to fail. There is a real shortage of people currently working in the industry in Auckland. What we are seeing is large numbers of relatively unskilled folk coming into the market, often unsupervised to the degree they need to be, and that's contributing to some quality issues. We have an interesting article on this topic. Refer to ‘Challenging construction issues’ for further information.

Also in this issue read about new processes for certificates of acceptance; portable swimming and spa pools; insurance issues in the construction sector; and our trial on-line consenting process.

Hot topics

- Amendments and revisions
- Certificate of Acceptance
- Challenging construction issues
- Toughline against LBPs
- Portable swimming and spa pools - fixed fee (\$300) building consent process
- Insurance in the construction sector
- Minor variations
- Online building consents

Regards



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