Land Surveyors (Amendment) Rules 2007

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LAND SURVEYORS ACT (CHAPTER 156)

LAND SURVEYORS (AMENDMENT) RULES 2007

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 38(1) of the Land Surveyors Act, the Land Surveyors Board, with the approval of the Minister for Law, hereby makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Land Surveyors (Amendment) Rules 2007 and shall come into operation on 2nd May 2007.

Amendment of rule 2

2. Rule 2 of the Land Surveyors Rules (R 1) (referred to in these Rules as the principal Rules) is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words "section 12(1)(a)" in paragraph (2) and substituting the words "section 12(1)(a) (i)";
- (b) by deleting the word "and" at the end of paragraph (2)(a);
- (c) by deleting the full-stop at the end of sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (2) and substituting the word "; and", and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraph:
 - "(c) evidence in writing that the applicant has passed the professional interview conducted by the Board under section 12(1)(b) of the Act.";
- (d) by deleting the words "section 12(1)(b)" in paragraph (3) and substituting the words "section 12(1)(a) (ii)";
- (e) by deleting the word "and" at the end of paragraph (3)(b);
- (f) by deleting the full-stop at the end of sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph (3) and substituting the word "; and", and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraph:
 - "(*d*) evidence in writing that the applicant has passed the professional interview conducted by the Board under section 12(1)(*b*) of the Act.";
- (g) by deleting the words "section 12(1)(c)" in paragraph (4) and substituting the words "section 12(1)(a) (iii)";
- (h) by deleting the word "and" at the end of paragraph (4)(a); and
- (*i*) by deleting the full-stop at the end of sub-paragraph (*b*) of paragraph (4) and substituting the word "; and", and by inserting immediately thereafter

the following sub-paragraph:

"(c) evidence in writing that the applicant has passed the professional interview conducted by the Board under section 12(1)(b) of the Act.".

Amendment of rule 4

3. Rule 4 of the principal Rules is amended by deleting the words "section 12 (1) (*b*)" and substituting the words "section 12 (1) (*a*) (ii)".

New rule 4A

4. The principal Rules are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 4, the following rule:

"Professional interview

4A. For the purpose of section 12(1)(b) of the Act —

- (a) the applicant shall only apply to attend the professional interview after he has sat for and passed the relevant examination or examinations referred to in section 12(1)(a) of the Act; and
- (b) where an applicant is unsuccessful at a professional interview, he shall be entitled to apply to the Board to attend a subsequent professional interview after the expiry of such period as may be specified by the Board.".

Amendment of rule 7

5. Rule 7 of the principal Rules is amended by deleting the words "section 31 (2)" and substituting the words "section 26 (2)".

Amendment of rule 16

6. Rule 16 of the principal Rules is amended —

- (a) by deleting the word "and" at the end of paragraph (1)(c);
- (b) by deleting the full-stop at the end of sub-paragraph (d) of paragraph (1) and substituting the word "; and", and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraph:
 - "(e) a certified true copy of the resolution passed by the board of directors of the corporation under section 17(1)(d) (ii) or (2)(c)(iii) of the Act."; and

(c) by deleting paragraph (3) and substituting the following paragraphs:

"(3) For the purpose of section 17(4)(b) of the Act, the type of limited liability partnership which may apply for a licence is one where at least one of its partners is a registered surveyor who has in force a practising certificate and the other partner or each of the other partners is —

- (a) a registered surveyor or an allied professional who has in force a practising certificate;
- (b) a limited corporation which has in force a licence issued under section 17(1) of the Act, section 20(1) of the Professional Engineers Act (Cap. 253) or section 20(1) of the Architects Act (Cap. 12);
- (c) an unlimited corporation which has in force a licence issued under section 17(2) of the Act, section 20(2) of the Professional Engineers Act or section 20(2) of the Architects Act; or
- (d) a limited liability partnership which has in force a licence issued under section 17(4) of the Act, section 20(4) of the Professional Engineers Act or section 20(4) of the Architects Act.

(4) An application for a licence by a limited liability partnership shall be accompanied by —

- (a) a certified true copy of the statement lodged by the partners of the limited liability partnership with the Registrar of Limited Liability Partnerships under section 15(1) of the Limited Liability Partnerships Act (Cap. 163A);
- (b) a certified true copy of the resolution passed by the partners of the limited liability partnership under section 17(4)(d) (ii) of the Act;
- (c) a list of the partners of the limited liability partnership containing particulars as to whether the partners are registered surveyors, allied professionals, licensed corporations or licensed limited liability partnerships, and such other particulars as the Board may require; and
- (d) a certified true copy of any policy insuring the limited liability partnership in accordance with section 21 of the Act for the period the limited

liability partnership is licensed to supply the survey services.

(5) The Board may require an applicant for a licence to furnish a statutory declaration to support any facts or particulars contained in his application or such other evidence or particulars as the Board considers necessary to determine whether to issue a licence.".

Amendment of rule 19

7. Rule 19 of the principal Rules is amended by deleting the words "section 22 (8) or 23 (4)" and substituting the words "section 17(8) or 18(4)".

Amendment of rule 21

8. Rule 21 (1) of the principal Rules is amended by deleting the words "section 12 (1)" and substituting the words "section 12 (1) (a)".

Amendment of rule 27

9. Rule 27 of the principal Rules is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words "section 12(1)(a)" in paragraph (1) and substituting the words "section 12(1)(a) (i)"; and
- (b) by deleting the words "section 12(1)(b)" in paragraph (2) and substituting the words "section 12(1)(a) (ii)".

Amendment of rule 29

10. Rule 29 of the principal Rules is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words "section 12(1)(a)" in paragraph (1) and substituting the words "section 12(1)(a) (i)"; and
- (b) by deleting the words "section 12(1)(b)" in paragraph (2) and substituting the words "section 12(1)(a) (ii)".

Amendment of First Schedule

11. The First Schedule to the principal Rules is amended by deleting Forms 1, 2, 5, 6, 8 and 9 and substituting the following Forms, respectively: