Architects (Amendment) Rules 2003

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ARCHITECTS ACT (CHAPTER 12)

ARCHITECTS (AMENDMENT) RULES 2003

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 38 of the Architects Act, the Board of Architects, with the approval of the Minister for National Development, hereby makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Architects (Amendment) Rules 2003 and shall come into operation on 1st January 2004.

New rules 10A and 10B

2. The Architects Rules (R 1) are amended by inserting, immediately above rule 11 in Part II, the following rules:

"Definitions of this Part

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10A.—(1) In this Part —

- "continuing professional development point" means a continuing professional development point which a registered architect obtains by successfully completing any continuing professional development program;
- "continuing professional development program" means any activity, course or programme in the list of activities, courses or programmes published by the Board under rule 13B;
- "qualifying period", in relation to a registered architect, means the period of 12 months immediately preceding the date on which the practising certificate in respect of which he has made an application is to commence;
- "requisite continuing professional development points", in relation to a registered architect, means the number of continuing professional development points he is required to obtain under rule 13A(2), (3) or (4), as the case may be.
- (2) In this Part, a registered architect obtains a specified number of continuing professional development points if he successfully completes one or more of the activities, courses or programmes in the list published under rule 13B, the total number of continuing professional development points of which equals or exceeds that specified number.

Application

10B. Rules 13A to 13D shall apply only to a registered architect who applies on or after 1st January 2004 for a practising certificate authorising him to engage in the practice of architecture after 31st December 2004.".

New rules 13A to 13D

3. The Architects Rules are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 13, the following rules:

"Requirements as to continuing professional education

13A.—(1) For the purposes of section 18(4)(f) of the Act, the Board may refuse to issue a practising certificate to a registered architect if he fails to satisfy the Board that he has obtained or will obtain the requisite continuing professional development points during the qualifying period.

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