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Under Clause 77 of the *Surveying and Spatial Information Regulation 2012*, a person is eligible to be registered as a surveyor if the person:

- a) holds a recognised qualification and
- b) has recognised practical experience and
- c) has passed the Board's examination or fulfilled the requirements of a recognised professional training agreement and
- d) is of good character.

This policy has been prepared to detail the Board's procedures and policy in regards the assessment of qualifications for suitability for registration as per Clause 77 of the *Surveying and Spatial Information Regulation 2012*.

Recognised qualifications

In accordance with the *Surveying and Spatial Information Regulation 2012*, Part 3, Division 2, Clause 75(1), the Board may make a Determination on what is deemed to be a recognised qualification. The Board's current Determination for recognised qualification is as follows.

This formal Board Determination defines a 'recognised qualification' as a four year university degree in surveying for a land surveyor and a three year degree in surveying for a mining surveyor.

Currently the Board recognises the following qualifications as being suitable for registration in New South Wales:

- Curtin University – Bachelor of Science (Mine and Engineering Surveying) – recognised for mining surveying registration only
- Curtin University – Bachelor of Surveying
- RMIT University – Bachelor of Applied Science (Surveying)
- University of Melbourne – Master of Engineering (Geomatics)
- University of Newcastle – Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Surveying)
- University of NSW – Bachelor of Engineering (Surveying)
- University of Otago – Bachelor of Surveying
- University of South Australia – Bachelor of Geospatial Science – recognised for mining surveying registration only. For land surveying registration, a candidate must also complete the Master of Surveying
- University of Southern Queensland – Bachelor of Spatial Science Technology (Surveying) – recognised for mining surveying registration only
- University of Southern Queensland – Bachelor of Spatial Science (Honours)(Surveying)
- University of Tasmania – Bachelor of Surveying and Spatial Sciences – recognised for mining surveying registration only. For land surveying registration, a candidate must also complete the Graduate Diploma of Land Surveying

If a person holds a qualification that is not included in the above list, their qualification must be assessed to confirm whether it is equivalent to the above degree programs and meets the requirements as set out in the publication 'The Attributes of Surveying Degrees recognised by CRSBANZ' by J. Fryer and H. Mitchell before that person is accepted as a candidate towards registration. This publication is available on the Board's website, www.bossi.nsw.gov.au.

Assessment of qualifications

The assessment of qualifications is undertaken by the Bureau for Assessment of Overseas Qualifications. The Bureau makes recommendations to the Board on the equivalence of qualifications. The Bureau operates under the direction of the Council of Reciprocating Surveyors Boards of Australia and New Zealand (CRSBANZ).

Applications for assessment of qualifications must be made to the Board. Applicants will be required to provide:

- a certified copy of their university or college degree/s or any other tertiary institution degree/s or courses including a copy of academic transcripts
- a certified copy of proof of age (drivers' licence, passport or birth certificate)
- a current personal resume
- details of any relevant experience or certified copies of any other documents which may support their application.

An applicant must not send original degree or proof of age documents to the Board.

If the assessment is for an overseas assessment, the applicant must also:

- submit a completed Application for Assessment of Overseas Qualification form, available from the Board's website, www.bossi.nsw.gov.au
- provide a cheque or money order for the amount of \$220 (inc GST) made payable to the Board of Surveying and Spatial information.

Applications are to be submitted to the Board of Surveying and Spatial Information at the following address:

The Registrar
Board of Surveying and Spatial Information
PO Box 143
BATHURST NSW 2795

Applications may also be submitted to bossi@lpi.nsw.gov.au.

On receipt of an application, the BOSSI Secretariat will check that the application has been completed appropriately and all information required is supplied before forwarding the application to the Bureau for assessment.

The Bureau will assess the supplied information and provide its recommendation to the Board regarding whether the qualification is equivalent to a 'recognised qualification' and if it meets the requirements as set out in the publication *'The Attributes of Surveying Degrees recognised by CRSBANZ'* by J. Fryer and H. Mitchell. The Bureau may also make recommendations of further studies for the applicant to undertake to gain equivalence.

Approval by the Board

All assessments undertaken and recommended by the Bureau must be forwarded to the Board for approval. The BOSSI Secretariat will place all received recommendations from the Bureau on the next Board's meeting agenda for approval. The Board may decide to accept the Bureau's recommendations or make their own determination regarding the acceptance of the qualification.

The applicant will be informed in writing of the decision made by the Board after its meeting.

If the qualification is accepted, the applicant may then make application to the Board to enrol as a candidate towards registration.