Council Lodgement Fees – Building Regulations 2018

Application of the new prescribed lodgement fees

Clause 1 of Schedule 2 of the Building Act 1993 (the Act) requires an applicant for a building permit to ensure any building permit application made to the Relevant Building Surveyor (RBS) is accompanied by the appropriate prescribed lodgement fee.

An appropriate lodgement fee is the fee prescribed at the time that the building permit application is made.

Section 30(1) of the Act requires the RBS to lodge building permit documentation with the relevant council within 7 days of issuing a building permit.

Section 30(2) of the Act requires that any documents lodged with the relevant council under s30(1) are accompanied by the appropriate prescribed lodgement fee paid to the RBS under Clause 1 of Schedule 2.

The appropriate prescribed lodgement fee due to be paid to the relevant council when building permit and other prescribed documents are lodged by a RBS under s30(2), is the same appropriate prescribed lodgement fee that was paid by the applicant at the time an application for a building permit was made to the RBS.

A council cannot ask for a lodgement fee that is in excess of what the Building Act 1993 requires.

Further Information

Want to know more?
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