

Plumbing & Drainage Approval & Inspection Process

Inspection bookings (at least 48 hours notice): plumbing@douglas.qld.gov.au

Application and Approval Process

- To obtain a Compliance Permit, a Lodgement Form (Domestic or Commercial) and a Form 1 must be lodged with Council. All relevant sections of the Form 1 must be completed in full including property details (section 2), applicant details (section 3), owners details (section 3), builders details (section 3), responsible person (plumber-section 4), number of fixtures (section 6), water supply connection (section 7), on-site treatment plant (section 8).
 - Correct fees must be paid and Form 1 is to be completed in full for the application to be considered property made.
 - If the application is not properly made, a Request for Further Information will be sent to the Applicant and Owner. When all relevant information has been supplied, the assessment process will continue.
 - A Form 7 must be lodged if the responsible person section was not completed on Form 1.
 - A Compliance Permit will be issued within 2-10 days for domestic applications and 10-20 for commercial applications.
 - When all inspections have been completed successfully, a Compliance Certificate will be issued to the Owner and Applicant.
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Inspections

- When booking inspections 48hrs notice must be given to Council
- Inspections must be booked via email to plumbing@douglas.qld.gov.au. Phone and text bookings will not be accepted.
- Application number, plumbers name and correct address must be supplied.
- No text booking will be taken for any inspection type.

Under Slab Drainage Inspections

- All pipework to be installed at correct grade.
- All drainage to be clear and visible at time of inspection.
- All drainage to be bedded in approved material.
- Clear Out at head of drain and the drain external to the building.
- Floor waste gullies and ORGs and 90 degree bends to be supported by a concrete base.
- Flexible joints on sanitary drainage system to be installed as per engineers requirements.
- All drainage to be air tested or if alternate water supply available not reticulated supply water test may be used.
- **As-constructed plan to be presented at time of inspection.**

Water Services

- All Water services must be installed and inspected and bedded in approved material for all domestic and commercial applications.

Rough-In

- All pipe work to be visible at time of inspection.
- All pipework to be tested to 1500 Kpa at time of inspection.
- There must not be any cross-connection between potable water and alternate water supply.

Stack Work and Elevated Pipework

- All pipe work to be visible at time of inspection.
- All pipework to be air tested or if alternate water supply available not reticulated supply water test may be used.
- All pipe work to be installed at correct grade.

On-Site Treatment and Disposal Areas

- All pipe work to be visible at time of inspection.
- All tank lids (septic , treatment plants) to be above ground level and finished ground level falls away from tank lid.
- All disposal areas to be installed as per approved application and a cross section must be shown or if sub-surface irrigation - not to back filled.
- If any alterations are made to the approved application, this should be reflected in the as-constructed plan.

Final Inspection

- The plumber must book the inspection by email.
- Plumber or a representative from the plumbing company must be present at time of inspection.
- Hot water to be at 50 degrees or less.
- B.T.S at sewer connection to be removed.
- All baths to be tested at time of inspection.
- Vacuum breakers are to be installed on all hose taps.
- Commissioning certificate for on-site treatment plants to be sent to Council before final inspection.