

Requirement for building officials to have or be working towards a qualification by 1 December 2013

As part of Auckland Councils Building Consent Authority (BCA) accreditation, Council **must** have a system in place for ensuring that all employees or contractors performing building control functions by doing a technical job either:

- have an appropriate New Zealand qualification; or
- have an appropriate foreign qualification recognised in New Zealand e.g. NZQA: or
- be working towards having an appropriate qualification

The purpose of this regulation is to ensure all people performing technical building control functions within BCAs have a specified and acknowledged minimum level of skill, knowledge, expertise and understanding to do the work.

Appropriate qualifications include:

- A National Diploma in Building Control Surveying (small buildings)
- A National Diploma in Building Control Surveying (medium and large buildings)
- Bachelor of Applied Technology – Building
- Bachelor of Architecture
- Bachelor of Architectural Studies
- Bachelor of Building Science
- Bachelor of Construction (Construction Management and Construction Economics)
- Bachelor of Engineering
- Weltec Diploma in Building Surveying
- Diploma in Construction Management
- Diploma in Quantity Surveying
- Diploma in Architectural Drafting

Auckland Council currently employ 270 staff who perform a technical role; approximately a quarter these (47) hold an appropriate qualification, the balance are registered and working towards completing the relevant qualification.