Construction Supplier Register – Contractor’s and Consultants pre‑qualification

Attachment C

Occupational Health and Safety – assistance to CSR Contractors and Consultants

The Construction Supplier Register encourages improvement

The Construction Supplier Register (CSR) encourages contractors and consultants to improve their Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) systems and performance.

Some contractors and consultants applying for pre-qualification for the first time will not meet all of the OHS requirements outlined in ‘Attachment A OHS criteria’.

Others may be assessed by the CSR as non-compliant during one of the CSR’s regular reviews of pre-qualification.

Assistance is available

OHS assistance is available for Contractors and Consultants (C&C).

The Victorian WorkCover Authority (VWA) provides information and assistance to employers seeking to improve their OHS capability and performance, through the VWA ‘OHS Essentials Program’.

Eligible small (less than 20 employees or $1 million in remuneration) and medium (less than 200 employees or $20 million in remuneration) sized businesses with a VWA insurance policy can take part in the program for free.

Further information is available by visiting the VWA website at:

[http://www.vwa.vic.gov.au/safety-and-prevention/small-business/worksafe-ohs-essentials-program](http://www.vwa.vic.gov.au/safety-and-prevention/small-business/worksafe-ohs-essentials-program%20)

Or

by telephoning the VWA on 1800 136 089

Industry specific assistance

Industry specific guidance and assistance is available from industry associations, including:

* Master Builders Association of Victoria, 332 Albert Street, East Melbourne or telephone Mr John Darcy on 9411 4521
* Housing Industry Association, 70 Jolimont Street, Jolimont or telephone Mr Kevin McKeown on 9280 8208
* Consultants various industry associations e.g. Engineers Australia, Royal Australian Institute of Architects, etc.

More information about the implementation of CSR OHS criteria

Telephone Mr Ian Evans 9651 5104 CSR Project Officer.

C&C with accreditation to the OHS Australian Standard AS 4801

C&C accredited to AS4801 will meet OHS System criteria 1 – 10 but must provide evidence of compliance with OHS Performance criteria 11 and 12.

However, C&C will be required to provide evidence of compliance with all 12 criteria during periodic on-site OHS assessments, in order to retain registration on the CSR.

Consultants not engaged in design work

If a Consultant is not engaged in design work, they need not complete or be assessed against specific design criteria – Criteria 1 (a, b, c, d, and e).

Information supplied by CSR to Government agencies undertaking tender selections will note if a consultant has been assessed against the specific ‘design criteria’.