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DRAFT Building Control System Code of Practice for Inspecting and Certifying Building Works

Following on from the newly amended Building Control Regulations 2012 the RIAI website has posted a copy of the Draft Code of Practice that Assigned Certifiers must adhere to.

Members will be interested in the following sections:

4.2.1 Assigned Certifier and Design Certifier. *The following may be appointed and sign as the Assigned Certifier, provided they are competent in relation to the particular works involved.*

(a) *Architects that are on a register under Part 3 of the Building Control Act 2007, or*

(b) *Building Surveyors that are on a register under Part 5 of the Building Control Act 2007, or*

(c) *Chartered Engineers under the section 7 of the Institution of Civil Engineers of Ireland (Charter Amendment) Act 1969.*

4.2.2 Ancillary Certifiers. *Apart from the Assigned Certifier and Design Certifier there is likely to be a range of certifiers on most projects, including certifiers appointed by the Building Owner, by his design team and/or by the Builder. Ancillary certifiers may include:*

Architects and Architectural Technologists/Technicians

Consulting Engineers (especially structural/civil and mechanical/electrical) appointed by the Building Owner to design, inspect and certify the relevant elements of the works

Designers (e.g. for piling, for mechanical/electrical work, for soil and waste pipework or for precast concrete elements) appointed by the Builder to design and certify the relevant elements of the works.

Other competent technical and trade persons that install products and/or test on completion, and/or

The Builder, sub-contractors, suppliers and manufacturers, both in relation to certifying Design and Construction, and also in relation to components or assemblies supplied for the works, and/or in relation to tests.

ICWCI Dublin will be responding to these proposals. If members have any concerns or comments that they wish to raise please contact the secretary at the above email address

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UPCOMING MEETINGS & CPD SEMINARS

Thursday 23rd May



Gyproc Plaster & Plasterboard Systems

Time: 7:00 to 8:30PM

Venue: As advertised in Main Entrance

Location: School of Construction,
Dublin Institute of Technology
Linenhall, Yarnhall Street, Dublin 1

We will be taking a break to coincide with the DIT semesters and return in September. Dates will be advertised in the Site Recorder and on the icwci.org member pages. As always, suggestions for CPD topics are always welcome

CPD Report – April Meeting

Rainharvesting Ireland presented their seminar on rainwater harvesting, to another good turnout of members and DIT lecturers. Requested by Jack Bissett, the seminar covered both direct and indirect systems for domestic and commercial installations. Collection, filtering, storage, sterilisation, pumping, delivery, mains water top-up and maintenance was explained in detail, and samples were shown around for closer scrutiny.

The ecological incentives for rainwater harvesting, as well as current legislation were also discussed, and as usual members questioned every aspect of the installations in great depth.

Attendance certificates will be presented at the next meeting.