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The Architects' Code of Conduct



Section 56 of the Building Control Act, 2007 required the registration body for Architects prepare a code specifying the standards of professional conduct and practice that are to be adhered to by registered architects. This is now in operation and will be governed by the RIAI Professional Conduct Committee and the Appeals Board that came into existence in January of this year.

The Code of Conduct, published on August 27, 2013, reflects the responsibilities of architects to the public, clients, employers and colleagues. The following three principles in relation to the standards of professional conduct and practice that shall be adhered to by architects are:

- 1 – General Obligations
- 2 – Obligations to Clients and Employers
- 3 – Obligations to the Profession

As Clerks of Works we are the eyes and ears of the architect on site, as well as the Clients site representative, and members might find it useful to understand their code of conduct, and further reading of this document can be found in the News Section of the RIAI website.

One item of note is section 2.6

Architects shall be competent to carry out professional work they undertake to do and where others are engaged by the architect on behalf of the client or employer, the architect shall ensure that they are competent and are adequately supervised.

Maybe we will finally see the end of Architects hiring barely qualified persons to act as Clerks of Works and find that they will actually look for members of the ICWCI to carry out these roles?

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UPCOMING MEETINGS & CPD SEMINARS

Thursday 10th October 2013



Correct Installation of Fire Control Dampers

Future Dates

Thursday 14th November 2013

CPD to be advised

Thursday 12th December 2013

AGM & Social Evening

Time: 7:00 to 8:30PM

Venue: Room 129

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

*As always, suggestions for CPD topics are
always welcome*

Site Recorder – Extra Copies?

The Site Recorder is one of the best ways to raise the profile of the ICWCI. If you wish to receive an extra copy to show visitors, prospective members, colleagues, or simply to leave laying on the staff room table, please contact Anne-Marie Elmer at Headquarters, using the contact details below:

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