



NHBRC REGISTRATION OF HOME BUILDERS

In terms of Section 10 of the Housing Consumers Protection Measures Act, 1998 (the Act) any person in the business of home building must register with the National Home Builders Registration Council (NHBRC).

Registration Fees

The following fees apply. All include VAT.

- Application fee R 750.00
- Initial registration fee R 600.00
- Price of the Home Building Manual R 100.00
- Total Initial Cost R1,450.00

The NHBRC will evaluate applications for registration on:

- financial,
- technical,
- construction and
- management capacity of a specific business.

Guarantees

If the NHBRC receives an application from a home builder, who in the opinion of the NHBRC

- has limited capital, fixed assets or active trading history or
- appears not to have the ability to meet its obligations to housing consumers and to the NHBRC,

then the NHBRC may at its discretion, require that the home builder provide personal suretyships, indemnities or guarantees to the NHBRC.

Technical evaluation

The NHBRC has the right to carry out a technical evaluation of the home builder by means of:

- a technical interview to determine the ability of a home builder to comply with the guidelines set out in the Home Building Manual.
- site visits or inspections to examine homes or other construction work already completed or under construction by the home builder.

Issuing of registration certificate

The NHBRC will issue a registration certificate valid for one year, to a homebuilder where it has received

- written acceptance of any conditions,
- any suretyships, indemnities or guarantees requested duly signed and completed and
- payment of the registration fee.

Annual renewal of registration

Every home builder shall apply annually for the renewal of his or her registration with the NHBRC. This must be done before the renewal date of the current registration and currently costs R600.00.

Suspension of registration or enrolments

The NHBRC may suspend a home builder's registration or its rights to enroll a home where;

- it has information that the home builder has failed to comply with section 11(1) of the Housing Consumer Protection Measures Act; and
- immediate intervention is in the interest of housing consumers.

Part 2 of this process i.e. Enrolment of a house will be published in a following Bulletin.

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