Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers (Fees, and Disciplinary and Prosecution Levy) Notice 2023[i]

The Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers Board ("Board"), having consulted in accordance with section 33 of the Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers Act 2006 ("Act"), issues the following notice under sections 142 and 143 of the Act.

Notice

1. Title

This notice is the Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers (Fees, and Disciplinary and Prosecution Levy) Notice 2023.

2. Commencement

This notice comes into force on 1 February 2024.

3. Purpose

(1) This notice sets the fees, and disciplinary and prosecution levy that apply to the licensing period beginning on 1 April 2024 and onwards.

(2) This notice revokes the Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers (Fees, and Disciplinary and Prosecution Levy) Notice 2021 ("2021 notice") with effect from 1 April 2022.

4. Interpretation

In this notice,

(a) **licensing period** means a period beginning on 1 April and finishing on 31 March the following year

(b) **registration class** means Certifying Plumber, Gasfitter, or Drainlayer; Plumber, Gasfitter, or Drainlayer; and Restricted Plumber, Gasfitter, or Drainlayer

(c) **trade** means sanitary plumbing, gasfitting, or drainlaying.

5. Fees, and disciplinary and prosecution levy

(1) The Board sets the following fees:

Fee or levy	**Amount**
Registration (per registration class, per trade)	$350.00
Practising licence (per registration class, per trade)	$100.00
Provisional licence (per trade)	$100.00
Notification of exemption under supervision under section 19, 21, or 25 of the Act	$100.00
Trainee limited certificate (per person)	$65.00
Exemption for installing and maintaining particular sanitary plumbing equipment (section 18 of the Act)	Full cost recovery

Exemption for person authorised to carry out or supervise gasfitting (section 20 of the Act)	Full cost recovery
Exemption for fixing of water heaters by gasfitters (section 24 of the Act)	Full cost recovery
Exemption from registration and licensing requirements and conditions (section 52 of the Act)	Full cost recovery
Employer licence	Full cost recovery
Advanced Proficiency assessment	Full cost recovery
Certifying Plumber, Gasfitter, or Drainlayer examination (per trade)	$410.00
Plumber, Gasfitter, or Drainlayer examination (per trade)	$360.00
Examination reconsideration	$120.00
Disciplinary and prosecution levy - Discipline component $210.00 - Offences component $65.00	$275.00

6. Payment of Fees and Levy

(1) All fees are processing fees and apply whether or not an application is granted or notification accepted.

(2) Fees that are set in this notice must be paid to the Board when a person makes an application or provides a notification.

(3) Where the fee is full cost recovery, the Board will give the applicant an initial estimate. The initial estimate must be paid at the time the application is made. If the initial estimate is greater than the final processing cost, the Board will refund the difference. If the final processing cost is greater than the initial estimate, the applicant must pay the difference before the application is granted.

(4) The fee for the following matters is an annual fee which must be paid in relation to each licensing period:

(a) practising licence

(b) notification under section 19, 21, or 25 of the Act, and

(c) trainee limited certificate.

(5) The levy must be paid to the Board once per licensing period when the person applies for a practising licence for the first time in the licensing period.

(6) All fees and the levy are inclusive of goods and services tax.

7. Applicable Fees and Levy

(1) The fee for an application relating to the licensing period from 1 April 2024 onwards is the fee set out in this notice.

(2) The fee for an application relating to the licensing period ending on 31 March 2024 is the fee set out in the 2021 notice.

(3) The levy which applies to the licensing period from 1 April 2024 onwards is the levy set out in this notice.

(4) The levy which applies to the licensing period ending on 31 March 2024 is the levy set out in the 2021 notice.

8. Waiver or Refund of Fees and Levy

The Board may grant a full or partial waiver or refund of any fee or levy.

Dated at Wellington this 15 December 2023.

ALEYNA MARY HALL
Registrar, Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers Board.

Explanatory Note
This note is not part of the notice and has been included to explain its general effect.

Under section 142 of the Act, the Board may prescribe fees in respect of certain matters. The Board may also impose a disciplinary and prosecution levy on all registered persons under section 143 of the Act.

This notice sets out the fees, and disciplinary and prosecution levy payable to the Board. The notice follows a review carried out in 2023 of Board fees and the disciplinary and prosecution levy which included sector consultation.

The fees, and disciplinary and prosecution levy set in this notice apply to any application from 1 April 2024 onwards. The fees, and disciplinary and prosecution levy in the 2021 notice apply to any application for the licensing period ending on 31 March 2024.

This notice revokes the 2021 notice with effect from 1 April 2024.

This notice is administered by the Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers Board.

[ii] This is a consolidated notice and incorporates all current amendments