

# Information *For architects*

This Newsletter is an official ARBV communication with Architects

## ARCHITECTS' FEES 2007

As reported in the December 2006 and March 2007 Newsletters, the Board has reviewed its fees structure and published a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) on the website for consultation on the new fees during April. The last time fees were increased was in 2000. The key reason for fee increases is increased costs. Consultation resulted in support from peak bodies, with no opposition.

The new 2007-2008 fees are on the renewal form supplied with this newsletter.

An initial increase occurs in 2007, with the option to adjust fees annually by the Treasurer's allowable amount each year— currently at 2.5%.

### FEES DUE 1 JULY EACH YEAR

Please make every effort to pay on time. Late payment automatically incurs a late fee.

#### Fees 2007\*

<b>Application for registration</b>	\$
Individual	110
Company	200
Certificate replacement	50
<b>Annual registration renewal</b>	
Individual (practising)	175
Company	200
Retired	30
Individual (non-practising)	40
<b>Late fee//Re-instatement</b>	
Individual Practising/	50
Company/Partnership	50
Non-practising	20
APE Examination for registration.	350 Part 1/2
This fee will be the same as that imposed in all other jurisdictions.	300 Part 3

\*The fees are the base level (2007) and subject to future review. From year 2 of operation, fees will be increased annually by the Treasurer's allowable amount. (Currently at 2.5% per annum.)

## PI INSURANCE COMPLIANCE

One Certificate of Currency is required this year – within a month of your 2007-2008 renewal date. Reminder letters will be sent to targeted groups according to renewal periods during the year.

## ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES AWARD 2007

All architects are invited to participate in this Award for 2007. **The closing date for 2007 nominations is 30 June.**

The process for architects is simpler this year

- Identify 2 clients willing to participate.
- email the Registrar with names and contact details of the two clients.
- The Board will then contact your clients and supply them with the Award evaluation form.
- We will ask shortlisted architects for sample project documents for the 2 nominated projects
- We will invite short-listed architects to interview and will interview their clients.

### Eligibility

To be eligible, an architect

- must be registered in Victoria and
- have two, separate nominations from two separate clients for
- projects completed within the last three years.
- Project cost up to \$6million.

### Client Evaluation form

The form may be downloaded from the Board's website.

### The winners get:

- A cheque for \$5000
- An Award Certificate

Clients of winning architects get a certificate and \$250.

## ELECTION OF ARCHITECTS TO THE ARBV - 2007 election

As three nominations were received, an election will be held this year, with election forms mailed to all architects in early June. Polling day is Monday 2 July. All architects are invited to cast a vote for the 2 elected representatives on the Board.