

THE NAMIBIA COUNCIL FOR ARCHITECTS & QUANTITY SURVEYORS

**ASSESSMENT OF PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCY
PAPER 2**

THIS PAPER IS FOR BOTH ARCHITECTURAL AND QUANTITY SURVEYING CANDIDATES

JULY 2019

NOTE:

- This Assessment comprises Paper 1 and Paper 2. Paper 1 comprises 50 marks and Paper 2 comprises 50 marks with a combined total of 100 marks. The overall pass mark required is 75%.
- This is an open book Assessment and candidates may take into the examination room and use whatever Government Gazettes, Contracts, books and other printed public reference material they wish. If in any doubt, all materials brought into the examination room must be declared prior to the commencement of the Assessment.
- Only mathematical calculators are allowed to be brought into the examination room. Under NO circumstances whatsoever may any other electronic devices such as Ipads, cell phones, e-books, PDA's, and the like be brought into the examination room or be allowed to be used.
- **All questions must be answered.**
- All answers must be numbered correctly.
- Give full reasons for your answers with reference to relevant contract clauses if applicable.
- The marks for each question are indicative of the points / items that need to be addressed in answering the questions.
- Time Allowed: 4 hours

PLEASE READ ALL QUESTIONS CAREFULLY

QUESTION 1

12 Marks

Write a **formal letter** to the Contractor informing him that his Bid / Tender has been accepted by the Employer and appointing him as Contractor,

The letter must include all the necessary legal requirements of such a letter and must specify all the documentation that must be supplied by the Contractor prior to the signing of the contract.

You may make your own necessary assumptions concerning the project.

The letter must be specific, clear and precise. Marks will be awarded for presentation, style, grammar and content.

QUESTION 2

10 Marks

In considering the 'White' form of contract, briefly explain the differences between the following:

- domestic sub-contractors,
- selected non-nominated sub-contractors,
- nominated sub-contractors, and
- other sub-contractors

Your answer must also briefly state how these different sub-contracts are administered with regard to risks, performance, responsibilities, etc.

QUESTION 3

5 Marks

3.1 You are contacted by Mr Peters who wants to build a new private school in Windhoek.

Sketch plans / cost estimates have been prepared by another Architect / Quantity Surveyor, but he is not happy with the work done to date and wants to change his professional team.

Explain what you would do or needs to be done before you can accept this appointment.

(3 marks)

3.2 A friend contacts you stating that he thinks he has been overcharged for professional services by another Architect / Quantity Surveyor. He would like you to examine the account and advise him on it.

What would be your response?

(2 Marks)

QUESTION 4**5 Marks**

Practical Completion has been achieved and the relevant certificates and completion list have been issued. The Employer has moved in and taken occupation of the premises.

The Contractor is busy with the items on the completion list and during the course of the completion of this work an accident occurs during which one of the Employer's staff is badly injured requiring hospitalisation and two of the Contractor's workers also sustain minor injuries.

The Contractor has installed warning signs and barriers but these were ignored by the Employer's staff.

Discuss who is liable and is it possible to claim from any insurance policies.

QUESTION 5**12 Marks**

Discuss in detail the implications of the Certificate of Practical Completion and the Certificate of Completion to both the Employer and the Contractor?

QUESTION 6**6 Marks**

In what way are the functions of either the Namibia Institute of Architects or the Institute of Namibian Quantity Surveyors different from those of the Namibia Council for Architects and Quantity Surveyors.

TOTAL 50 MARKS