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ACCREDITED PROFESSIONALS SCHEME – AUDIT PROGRAM

The Accredited Professionals Scheme Accreditation Authority (Accreditation Authority) will be commencing its accredited professionals audit program required under regulation 27 of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (Accredited Professionals) Regulations 2019* on 1 November 2021.

This notification is for advisory purposes only and no immediate accredited professional action is required. A Qualified Auditor will make contact with the accredited professional when their audit is due to commence.

Most accredited professionals will have their development assessment processes and procedures audited at least once every five years. The types of audits that may be conducted include:

Spot checks

Information held within the Development Application Processing (DAP) system will be regularly monitored by the audit team to gain comfort that accredited professionals are abiding by the requirements of their accreditation including key development assessment legislation.

Desktop compliance audits

The auditor obtains a general picture of administrative compliance by verifying the alignment of an accredited professionals processes and procedures with development assessment requirements within the Act and relevant regulations. The audits are conducted on an individual accredited professional basis.

Detailed audits

The auditor completes a deep dive review of specific requirements, generally technical in nature. The audits are conducted on an individual accredited professional basis.

The audits aim to ensure quality and consistency in development assessment services is achieved and maintained, providing confidence in the system.

All audits will be performed by an approved Qualified Auditor, who must conduct audits with integrity, objectivity and confidentiality and observe the South Australian Public Sector Code of Ethics.

Further information around the audit program including Fact Sheets is available via the [PlanSA portal](#).

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