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### **RPEQs REMINDED TO RENEW THEIR REGISTRATION**

Queensland's engineering regulator is urging registered professional engineers (RPEQs) to renew their registration during the upcoming annual renewal period.

From Saturday 1 April to Wednesday 31 May 2023, RPEQs can renew their registration through the Board of Professional Engineers of Queensland (Board) website.

"Queensland's economy is growing, and new engineering projects are being undertaken across the state. Currently, The Board has more than 18,000 practising RPEQs," said Board Chair and Regional Representative Andrew Seccombe.

"As the Board's registration renewal period begins, RPEQs working in or for Queensland are reminded that it is a requirement under law that they renew their RPEQ registration every year if they are undertaking professional engineering services."

Queensland is the first state or territory to establish a comprehensive and mandatory registration system for engineers. Under the *Professional Engineers Act 2002* (PE Act) engineers must register with the Board before they can carry out professional engineering services in or for Queensland.

Registration for engineers is an essential public safeguard that maintains public trust in the profession. To become registered, an engineer must meet strict qualification and competency standards. Once registered, RPEQs must comply with the Code of Practice and undertake 150 hours of continuing professional development every three years to maintain their registration.

For more information on the PE Act and the RPEQ system visit [www.bpeq.qld.gov.au](http://www.bpeq.qld.gov.au). The RPEQ renewals portal will open on the website on 1 April 2023 and close on 31 May 2023.

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**About the Board of Professional Engineers of Queensland**

The Board of Professional Engineers of Queensland (**BPEQ**) is an independent statutory body. BPEQ has administered the *Professional Engineers Act (PE Act)* and managed the registered professional engineer of Queensland (**RPEQ**) system since 1930.

The PE Act requires that any person carrying out professional engineering services in Queensland or for Queensland is registered with BPEQ in an approved area of engineering.

BPEQ is charged with investigating and prosecuting unsatisfactory professional conduct by RPEQs and breaches of the PE Act (e.g., carrying out a professional engineering service when unregistered).

BPEQ registers over 18,000 RPEQs in Queensland, interstate and overseas.

Website: [bpeq.qld.gov.au](http://bpeq.qld.gov.au)