VETASSESS

Information sheet

Building Inspector

ANZSCO: 312113 | **Group C**

About this document

- The following Information Sheet is for your reference only and should be used as a guide to assist with your Skills Assessment application to VETASSESS. This information is subject to change.
- Please note that a Skills Assessment of the qualification involves assessment of both the qualification level and content. Qualifications are assessed according to the guidelines published by the Australian Government Department of Education.
- The employment assessment involves determining the skill level and relevance of the tasks undertaken.
- Integrity checks may be conducted to verify the qualification and employment claims made in an application.

Job description

Building Inspectors inspect buildings to ensure compliance with laws and regulations and advise on building requirements.

Occupations considered suitable under this ANZSCO code:

- Building Certifier
- Building Surveyor

Specialisation:

- Electrical Installation Inspector

Occupations not considered under this ANZSCO code:

- Building Associate
- Maintenance Planner

These occupations are classified elsewhere in ANZSCO.

Building Inspector is a VETASSESS Group C occupation

This occupation requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the educational level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Diploma or higher.

Applicants must also have at least one year of highly relevant, post-qualification employment, at an appropriate skill level completed in the last five years.

GROUP C	Criteria for a positive Skills Assessment			
Post-qualification Pathways				
	Minimum comparable Diploma or higher AQF level	**With highly relevant major field of study**	**Additional highly relevant qualifications**	**Highly relevant employment duration**
1	AQF +	+	N/A +	1 YEAR minimum
2	AQF +	No highly relevant major +	AQF Minimum AQF Certificate IV level with highly relevant major +	1 YEAR minimum
3	AQF +	No highly relevant major +	No additional highly relevant qualifications +	2 YEARS minimum
Pre-qualification Pathway				
	Highly Relevant employment duration			**Minimum comparable Diploma or higher AQF level**
4	3 YEARS minimum + 1 YEAR minimum + Within last 5 years		With or without highly relevant major field of study +	AQF

Description of Pathways

The information below describes the available pathways for a Skills Assessment under **Group C** . Please note that in order to achieve a successful Skills Assessment Outcome, a suitable assessment for both qualifications and employment is required.

Pathway 1

This pathway requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the education level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Diploma or higher and in a field highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

Diploma or higher includes AQF Advanced Diploma, Associate Degree, Bachelor Degree, Graduate Diploma, Master Degree or Doctoral Degree.

In addition, it is essential for applicants to meet the following employment criteria:

- at least **one** year of post-qualification employment at an appropriate skill level, undertaken in the last five years,
- working 20 hours or more per week, and
- highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

Pathway 2

This pathway requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the education level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Diploma or higher and in a field not highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

Diploma or higher includes AQF Advanced Diploma, Associate Degree, Bachelor Degree, Graduate Diploma, Master Degree or Doctoral Degree.

An additional qualification in a highly relevant field of study at a minimum AQF Certificate IV level is required. Additional qualifications in a highly relevant field of study include those comparable to the AQF Certificate IV.

In addition, it is essential for applicants to meet the following employment criteria:

- at least **one** year of post-qualification employment at an appropriate skill level, undertaken in the last five years,
- working 20 hours or more per week, and
- highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

For example, an applicant for the occupation Program or Project Administrator completed a non-relevant AQF Diploma qualification in April 2024 and later completed an AQF Certificate IV in Project Management in May 2026. The applicant commenced employment with the organisation in May 2024 and remains employed there.

Under Pathway 2, the applicant satisfies the minimum educational requirement for a Group C occupation through the AQF Diploma qualification. Accordingly, employment is counted from the completion date of the Diploma qualification, meaning employment from May 2024 onwards may be considered toward both the required Qualifying Period (QP) and any remaining eligible period for the points test.

As the later Certificate IV qualification is highly relevant to the occupation, the applicant may access the reduced employment requirement applicable under Pathway 2. In this case, only one year of QP is required, and that employment may be counted from the post-Diploma period rather than from the Certificate IV qualification completion date.

Pathway 3

This pathway requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the education level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Diploma or higher and in a field not highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

Diploma or higher includes AQF Advanced Diploma, Associate Degree, Bachelor Degree, Graduate Diploma, Master Degree or Doctoral Degree.

In addition, it is essential for applicants to meet the following employment criteria:

- at least **two** years of post-qualification employment at an appropriate skill level, undertaken in the last five years,
- working 20 hours or more per week, and
- highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

Pathway 4

This pathway requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the education level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Diploma or higher with or without a highly relevant major field of study to the nominated occupation.

Diploma or higher includes AQF Advanced Diploma, Associate Degree, Bachelor Degree, Graduate Diploma, Master Degree or Doctoral Degree.

In addition, it is essential for applicants to meet the following employment criteria:

- at least **four** years of employment at an appropriate skill level that includes at least **one** year of highly relevant employment within the last five years before applying,
- working 20 hours or more per week, and
- highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

Qualification

Building Surveying is the study of assessing the condition of buildings to ensure compliance with plans, specifications and regulations and that proper techniques and materials have been used. Subjects in this field include Building Construction and Technology, as well as studies relevant to a specialisation in Building Surveying.

* This includes qualifications assessed at AQF Advanced Diploma, Associate Degree, Bachelor, Master and Doctoral level.

Highly relevant major fields of study include:

- Building Surveying

Employment

Highly relevant tasks include:

- Inspecting work and materials for compliance with specifications, regulations and standards;
- Interpreting building plans, building regulations and codes of practice;
- Inspecting building works in progress to ensure compliance with plans, specifications and regulations, and that proper techniques and materials are used;
- Maintaining records of building progress and departures from design drawings or specifications;
- Assessing building plans submitted for approval;
- Inspecting existing buildings to assess the condition;
- Giving advice on building matters.

Employment information

Building Inspectors inspect building works and materials to ensure compliance with specifications, building codes, and other regulations. They may review projects during the documentation phase and/or inspect projects during the construction phase to determine if the project adheres to building codes and regulations. These standards may be related to structural, fire safety and environmentally sustainable design. Building Inspectors may also provide consultation advice on building codes and regulations, and issue formal permits such as building permits or occupancy permits which signify major milestones in the building process.

Roles with a primary focus on construction site management or producing architectural or civil engineering drawings would not be considered relevant to the occupation of Building Inspector.

Supporting material for assessment

Applicants nominating this occupation are required to provide evidence in line with VETASSESS documentation requirements.

Applicants may also provide details of any relevant training or professional development courses undertaken, and licences/registrations held that relate to performing the role, if applicable. These may be detailed in the Curriculum Vitae/Resume provided.