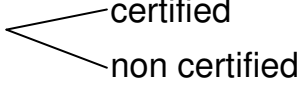
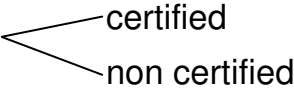




New Building Act(s)

10 Tips for Builders

1. Check contract documentation is consistent with new legislation e.g. abolition of Building Disputes Tribunal e.g. owner has to engage a certifier.
2. Decide on use of private certifier or use of existing Local authority. Check whether your certifier will require inspections during construction and how many. Check that your certifier is accredited.
3. Familiarise yourself with new documentation e.g. Project completion certificate, new building approval, occupancy certificate, application forms. 
4. Incorporate new building fees into pricing
 - 0.09% Building Commission (of value of project).
 - TBA Local Authority Fee – 
 - Private certifiers fee (including possible inspection fees).
5. Note large fines and penalties for breach e.g. building w/o building or demolition permit.
6. Prepare variation forms for new fees if required.
7. Check various LGA's regarding processes for R Codes variation and building certifier.
8. Understand new roles for Builders Registration.
9. Become familiar with new Disputes Settlement procedures.
10. Consider using Master Builders' Private Certification Service.