

**Q1 Do you agree that there is a lack of accountability and transparency in relation to the VRB's operations?**

A1 It should be made clear about the operations so the valuers are more aware what to look for.

**Q2 Do you agree that the composition of the Valuers Registration Board is problematic? If so, how?**

A2 Personally I do not know how the appointment process is , so there should be more information promoted and publicised amongst members.

**Q3 Do you agree with the proposal to constitute a new board which would include lay people with specialist expertise?**

A3... Yes I do. The board should be predominantly valuers to bring in some specialist expertise.

**Q4 Do you agree that it should not be mandatory for registered valuers to join NZIV or any other professional association?**

A4... I disagree - Being mandatory is necessary to allow control and provide a funding base for the effective operative of the NZIV.

**Q5 What if any issues do you think would need to be managed if professional association membership was voluntary?**

A5... There would be lack of control over the valuers who do not meet the standard practice which will lead to loss of public confidence in the profession.

**Q6 Do you think that a tiered complaints system could deliver the benefits outlined above? If not, why not and do you have any thoughts on how else those benefits might be realised?**

A6 I think a tiered complaints system would be beneficial with the lower order complaints committee but such committee would also need to have a fully transparent appointment process with appropriate time limits on representation. It would also assist in raising the overall public perception of the profession in striving for continual improvement.

**Q7 Do you think it is possible to reduce the reliance on check valuations and, if so, how might this be done?**

A7 I disagree. Peer reviews on a high level basis may assist, but in some cases through check valuations should always be required.

**Q8 Is the range of sanctions proposed above adequate? If not, what other sanctions would be appropriate?**

A8... The range of sanctions is appropriate including increasing the fine.

**Q9 Is there a need for compliance monitoring and if so by whom?**

A9... The PINZ Quality Assurance System (QAS) should be participated all firms and public awareness is needed accordingly.

**Q10 Do you agree with the proposal for the VRB to undertake more analysis of complaints and outcomes? Why/why not?**

A10... Yes I agree. Analysis of complaints and outcomes would be beneficial as part of the education process.

**Q11 Do you agree that "registered valuer" should be the only protected title? Why/why not?**

A11... Yes I do. Registered Valuer is the only title that should be protected.

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**Q12 Do you think it is necessary or desirable to change the existing registration period and/or registration renewal requirements? Why/why not?**

A12... Yes I think there should be a link required between Annual Practising Certificate and CPD compliance.

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**Q13 If you have answered "yes" to the above question, please indicate whether you prefer one or other of the suggested approaches or another approach.**

A13...Ideally an APC should be obtained when you have completed your CPD requirements for the preceding period.

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**Q14 Should CPD be mandatory? Why/why not?**

A14... Yes, needed to ensure the members are up to date with current trends/codes of practice.

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**Q15 Do you agree with the proposal for setting practice standards? Why/why not?**

A15... I disagree. Giving VRB the ultimate responsibility of approving practice standards is another layer of responsibility that will incur an administrative cost.

**Q16 Do you agree with the proposal for setting ethical standards? Why/why not?**

A16... Yes I agree with proposal for setting ethical standards for valuers to raise issues with governing body when a practising member is known or appears to be behaving unethically, or incompetently.

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**Q17 Do you agree that the minimum age requirement should be removed?**

A17...I disagree, given the nature of the profession, the minimum age requirement should be retained.

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**Q18 What do you consider are the benefits and costs of implementing any or all of the proposals?**

A18... Procedural and administration benefits are outlined but we suspect a major shortfall on assumed cost benefits. Funding costs likely to significantly increase, but in time if improvements are made and less complaints received, the costs would likely come back down.

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**Q19 Do you think there are any aspects of the current occupational regulation scheme for valuers that impede competition in the supply of valuation services? Please specify which aspects and how they impede competition.**

A19... I do not aware of any aspects which impede competition in the supply of valuation services.

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**Q20 Do you think the occupational regulation of valuers should be liberalised? If so, what aspects of the scheme should be liberalised and what benefits would this have?**

A20... I do not think the occupational regulation of Valuers should be liberalised.



**Q21 Do you think the three year supervised experience period for New Zealand graduates is too long? If so, how long should the experience period be?**

A21...At least three years training should be retained.  
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**Q22 Do you favour a tiered registration system that provides for provisional registration (with less experience and other requirements) as well as full registration?**

A22...I do not favour a tiered registration system. It would occur increased administration and regulatory costs.  
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**Q23 Should the requirement for overseas valuers to have at least one year's practical experience in New Zealand be retained?**

A23...Yes.....

**Q24 Do the existing degree courses and post-graduate training requirements provide registered valuers with the expertise required to do sum insured valuations?**

A24...Yes.....

**Q25 Is there a need for practice standards covering sum insured valuations?**

A25...Yes.....

**Q26 Could registration requirements be reduced for some types of valuation?**

A26...No.....

**Q27 Are the current registration requirements excessive for valuers who only carry out residential valuations? What would be the risks and benefits to consumers if the requirements were reduced?**

A27... No.  
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**Q28 Are there any risks in allowing registered valuers who have not passed degree courses in valuation to do rural valuations?**

A28... Yes. Rural valuations require years of experience and specialisation.  
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**Q29 Are the valuation qualifications offered by the accredited universities fit for specialist purposes? If not, what are the problem areas?**

A29... No. Some element of practical experience should be mandatory during the degree course.  
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**Q30 Do you think any changes are required to the existing professional indemnity insurance arrangements?**

A30...No.....

**Q31 If so, do you favour either of the options outlined above or have an alternative suggestion?**

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