

# Notice to Surveyors



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## Review of the Western Australian Land Surveyors Licensing Board Special Survey Area Guidelines

Landgate and the Land Surveyors Licensing Board (LSLB) are conducting a review of the Special Survey Area (SSA) Guidelines to determine what changes, if any, are required to ensure that they remain current, complete, consistent, practicable, efficient and effective into the medium-term future.

The review is to consider:

- the effectiveness of the SSA guidelines as approved in 2006 by the LSLB in conjunction with the several changes to practice communicated by Notices to Surveyors
- the technological and systemic improvements since 2006 and the effect these have on modern surveying and positioning practice
- the current subdivisional development and construction practices and the effects these have on cadastral surveying and marking practices
- any relevant factors that emerge during the review.

The LSLB is the primary authority for the approval of the revised SSA Guidelines pursuant to Regulations 26A(4) and 26A(5) of the *Licensed Surveyors (General Surveying Practice) Regulations 1961*.

The review will be conducted in consideration of the following operating principles:

- effective collaboration with relevant and interested stakeholders
- identification of opportunities to reduce duplication of effort and minimise risk
- open communication between the reviewer and all relevant stakeholders.

All practising licensed surveyors are encouraged to provide their feedback, as well as that of their colleagues and associates, on any aspect of Special Survey Area subdivisions.

Comments are particularly sought about the following matters:

- the use of initial and final survey certificates
- the nature, quantity and spacing of initial and final control points
- the potential to bring reduced levels on a national height datum onto the final control points
- the nature and quality of initial and final marking of lot and road corners
- the recording of the location of subdivisional retaining walls
- the signing of survey sheets.

The review will proceed in accordance with the following schedule:

Monday, 29 May 2017	Invitation to provide input to help shape the review to all practising licensed surveyors
Monday 26 June 2017	Deadline for initial feedback
Friday 30 June 2017	Draft guidelines to LSLB and all practicing Licensed Surveyors for formal feedback
Monday 24 July 2017	Deadline for formal feedback
Early August 2017	Revised draft guidelines to LSLB for consideration at its 17 August 2017 meeting

Initial feedback can be submitted via a Survey Monkey questionnaire at [Special Survey Area Guidelines survey](#) and/or submitted by e-mail to Murray Dolling at Landgate: [murray.dolling@landgate.wa.gov.au](mailto:murray.dolling@landgate.wa.gov.au) .



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