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Building professionals can get burnt using non-conforming building products

The prevalence of non-conforming building products is a major concern for the Queensland building and construction industry with widespread use putting homeowners at risk.

Rod McInnes CEO, Timber Queensland said an Australian Industry Group survey found 92 per cent of builders had been offered faulty materials or products.

"It's imperative building professionals understand their responsibility to only specify, use and certify building products, including timber, that are compliant with the National Construction Code - BCA/Australia Standards," said Rod McInnes.

"The consequences of not doing so are too dire and expensive to take the risk," he said.

Mr McInnes said there is certification and quality assurance schemes to assist anyone trying to evaluate product compliance.

"Taking the time to understand the various industry ticks of approval that indicate evidence of suitability is a simple way to keep everyone safe," he said.

"For example only timber products that have been grown and manufactured to exacting standards in Queensland can display the [Accredited Queensland Timber Product logo](#)."

Master Builders Queensland has produced an excellent resource on construction products and evidence of suitability.

"Timber Queensland has been working with Master Builders Queensland, the Queensland Building and Construction Commission and other industry bodies to ensure businesses have the knowledge required to determine if they are selecting and specifying true to label and fit for purpose materials."

These schemes, the scale of the non-conforming products issue, the risk it presents business and the State and Federal government response to the problem will be discussed at the Timber Queensland seminar "[Fit for purpose timber: using the right tools for the job](#)" in Brisbane on 23 July 2016.

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