

Consent Orders

Improved Public Interest
Improved Regulatory Effectiveness and Efficiency



To better protect the public, APEGA must have the ability to quickly and efficiently impose appropriate sanctions on Members and Permit Holders that have admitted to unskilled practice or unprofessional conduct.

Background





- This topic is an amendment to the Recommended Discipline Orders recommendations that were presented and endorsed by Council as part of the fall 2015 consultations.
- Input received during the fall 2015 consultations led to a further review of the proposed recommendations on Recommended Discipline Orders.

Why is this Important?





At times, the nature of some complaints lend themselves to resolution without the need for a full discipline hearing.

Proposed Legislative Change







It is recommended that the legislation be amended as follows:

- The term consent order will replace the current recommended order terminology.
- A consent order will be approved by a discipline panel, rather than the Registrar, as previously recommended.

Examples of Relevant Existing Legislation





- Sections 32.1 & 32.2 Engineers and Geoscientists Act, British Columbia.
- Section 51.1 Architects Act, British Columbia.
- Section 71 of the *Chartered Professional Accountants Act*, Alberta.

Please refer to the briefing note for more details.