

## **Guidance Notes – Amend a Community Title Scheme**

# These guidance notes are of a general nature and are not intended to, and cannot, replace the advice of a Legal Practitioner.

This application is to be completed by the developer under a registered community title scheme or the body corporate of the scheme. The ACT Planning and Land Authority must authorise the amendment to the scheme. This form should be used in conjunction with 098-CTLP. For more information refer to Chapter 33 of the ACT Land Titles Practice Manual.

This guidance note is to be read in conjunction with the Verification of Authority Guidelines and Verification of Identity Rules on the <u>Access Canberra website</u>.

All panels must be completed in full. If an annexure is required, use form ANN-Annexure. If more than one page is required in the annexure these pages shall be numbered consecutively and bound to this document by staples along the left margin.

#### All handwriting must be clear, legible and in black ink.

Any alteration to information provided on this form must be struck through with a black pen. Substitute information must be clear, and all parties must sign in the margin. Do not use correction fluid or tape.

The Registrar-General may refuse to accept any instrument that does not comply with the *Land Titles Act 1925* or these notes.

## **PRIVACY NOTICE**

The collection of personal information in this form is required by law under the *Land Titles Act 1925*, to ensure accurate and legal transfer of title or registration of other interests relating to land and for maintaining publicly searchable registers and indexes. Personal information collected on this form will be handled in accordance with the Territory Privacy Principles in Schedule 1 of the *Information Privacy Act 2014*. More detailed information about how Access Canberra handles this personal information is available at: <a href="https://www.act.gov.au/acprivacy">https://www.act.gov.au/acprivacy</a>

## LODGMENT INFORMATION

Access Canberra - Dickson Service Centre, 480 Northbourne Avenue Dickson ACT Opening hours – Monday to Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm (excluding public holidays)

Lodgment fees apply.

## **CONVEYANCE DUTY**

Please contact the <u>ACT Revenue Office</u> for the requirements of Conveyance Duty (commonly known as Stamp Duty)

A Buyer Verification Declaration or Seller Verification Declaration is not required for this form.

## **COMPLETION OF FORM**

#### LODGING PARTY DETAILS

The lodging party needs to complete all fields. The Customer Reference Number is only required for approved subscribers who have a lodgment account to the ACT Land Information System. If the lodging party does not have a lodgment account, this field can be left blank. The lodging party will receive a Registration Confirmation Statement by email upon registration of the document to the provided email address.

#### **COMMUNITY TITLE SCHEME DETAILS**

The registered Community Title Scheme number and Volume and Folio of the existing Common property titles

#### IS THIS A PROGRESSIVE DEVELOPMENT?

Please tick appropriate box

#### **PROGRESSIVE DEVELOPMENT DETAILS**

Complete this section if you have ticked yes to being a progressive development.

#### ADDITIONAL TITLE AND LAND DETAILS PROPOSED AS A COMMON PROPERTY

Legal identifier of the land is to be supplied. Must include all land details of the tiles that are to be included in the community title as a common property area.

#### TITLE AND LAND DETAILS NOT BEING PROPOSED AS A COMMON PROPERTY TO BE REMOVED?

Complete if removing any Titles from the community title scheme that are NOT common property areas. Leave blank if not required.

#### TITLE AND LAND DETAILS NOT BEING PROPOSED AS COMMON PROPERTY

Complete all title and land details included in the community title scheme NOT including the common property title areas.

#### DOCUMENTS TO BE ATTACHED FOR A PROGRESSIVE DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

Complete this section if you have ticked yes to being a progressive development. All documents must be attached to this application.

#### DOCUMENTS TO BE ATTACHED TO AMEND A SCHEME

Complete this section if you have ticked NO to being a progressive development. All documents must be attached to this application.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Certifications are statements made by a Certifier that they have undertaken a specific action prior to lodging the Registry Instrument to the Land Titles Office. A Certifier must provide the required Certifications when signing Registry Instruments or other Documents and provide the Certifications required for the role they are undertaking. Certification must be completed by the applicant who is either the developer under the registered community title scheme or the body corporate of this scheme.

Certification statements (dot points) must be made by the certifier, being one of the following:

- a. A legal practitioner
- b. If the applicant is not represented by a legal practitioner the applicant (i.e. self- represented party)
- c. If a party to an instrument is not represented by a legal practitioner that party (i.e. self-represented party)

## Any inapplicable certification statement(s) must be deleted.

The first two listed certification statements do not apply where the certifier is executing as an owner's corporation for the body corporate. An owner's corporation is only required to make certifications relating to retaining evidence to support the registry instrument or document and ensuring the registry instrument or document is correct and compliant with relevant legislation and any prescribed requirement.

The authorised person of the owner's corporation is required to execute the form. Owner corporations cannot complete a certification as a corporation they are classed as a self-represented party which means they must complete a Verification of identity.

A self-represented party is required to have their Verification of identity (VOI) completed and provide evidence of authority to deal by using the self-represented party pack found <u>here</u>. Self-represented parties must sign in the certification panel and have that signature witnessed by the authorised person completing the VOI or by an adult over the age of 18 who is not a party to this document.

Body Corporation needs to confirm the existence and identity of the Body Corporate by providing a search of the records of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission or other regulatory body with whom the Body Corporate is required to be registered and provide evidence that the authorised person/persons executing the documents is authorised to do so with in the body corporate.

The completed original self-represented party pack is to accompany the application at time of lodgment.

All certification statements apply where the certifier is a <u>legal practitioner</u>. By certifying this form, the legal practitioner acknowledges they have taken reasonable steps to verify that their client or his, her or its administrator or attorney is a legal person and has the right to enter the conveyancing transaction.

The first two listed certification statements do not apply where the Certifier is a self-represented party. Selfrepresented parties are only required to make certifications relating to retaining evidence to support the registry instrument or document and ensuring the registry instrument or document is correct and compliant with relevant legislation and any prescribed requirement.

A self-represented party must have their identity verified and certified by an Identity Agent, Justice of the Peace, Legal Practitioner, or Notary Public and provide evidence to be able to transact on the land as outlined in the self-represented party pack found <u>here</u>. Self-represented parties must sign in the certification panel and have that signature witnessed by the authorised person completing the verification of or by an adult over the age of 18 who is not a party to this document. A completed self-represented party pack is to accompany the application at time of lodgment.

## <u>Note: - An attorney, body corporate or a corporation cannot make certification statements. They are</u> required to complete the form as a self-represented party.

## **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

- Attach all original documents that are required as evidence
- If there is a registered mortgage on title, then mortgagees consent is required. Registry Instrument 042-C-Consent is available from the Access Canberra Website.

## EVIDENCE TO BE LODGED FOR SELF-REPRESENTED

If you are a self-represented party, satisfactory evidence is to accompany this application. Evidence may include but not limited to:

- A completed Self-represented party pack including identity certification, documents used to verify identity, and documents linking the applicant to be able to deal on the property; and
- Annexures or attachments supporting the lodgment.

## EVIDENCE TO BE RETAINED BY LEGAL PRACTITIONERS AND MORTGAGEE CORPORATIONS

Any evidence to support verification of identity carried out by a legal practitioner or mortgagee corporations, must be retained:

(a) by the Legal Practitioner for at least 7 years from the date of lodgment of the Registry Instrument in the Land Titles Office;

(b) by the mortgagee until they cease to be mortgagee in respect of the mortgage.

Evidence is required to be retained in order to demonstrate that the transaction was completed in accordance with legislative and other requirements and the certifications required were accurately made. Evidence may be required to be provided to the Registrar-General for the purpose of monitoring compliance with legislative and other requirements. The evidence must be legible, stored safely and securely, and accessible and may include:

- Client Authorisation
- Verification of identity
- Right to deal
- Other Prescribed Requirements; and
- Any evidence required by the Duty Authority.

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