**Definition of a Cadastral Survey**

In July 2009, the Board approved the following definitions to assist inform both Surveyors and the Public of the Board’s interpretation of Section 75 of the Surveyors Act 2003 (Act).

Cadastral Survey

“A cadastral survey is any activity that uses or generates cadastral evidence to produce an outcome whose primary purpose is boundary determination. The products of a boundary determination can be plans, certificates or digital data. This does not include the representation of cadastral data.”

Carry Out

A person is carrying out a cadastral survey if they are present at the site of the survey and directing the field activity.

Under the above definitions, the following practices would not comply with Section 75:

- sending an unregistered technician into the field to measure the location of existing cadastral survey marks, so that a cadastral surveyor can work out the reinstatement in the office;
- loading the locations of new corners in an estate into the data recorder, and sending an unregistered technician into the field to place the pegs and reference marks.

**75 Carrying out a cadastral survey**

(1) A person must not carry out a cadastral survey unless the person is—

(a) a cadastral surveyor; or

(b) a surveyor, surveying graduate or surveying associate carrying out the survey under the supervision of a cadastral surveyor who, expressly or impliedly, accepts responsibility for the survey’s survey quality.

Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.

(2) A person must not charge a fee for carrying out a cadastral survey unless the person is a consulting cadastral surveyor.

Maximum penalty—50 penalty units.

A penalty unit is equivalent to $110.00.

The Board encourages all registered cadastral surveyors to assess the compliance of their practice with the Act as soon as possible.