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Q1. Title, first name and surname	[REDACTED]
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Q4. This submission is written on behalf of an:	Organisation
Q5. Which of the following categories best describes you? Choose more than one if applicable.	PCBU - Asbestos assessors
Q6. Which jurisdiction is your workplace in? Choose more than one if applicable.	Queensland
Q7. What industry do you operate in? Choose more than one if applicable.	Professional, Scientific and Technical Services
Q8. Publication of submission (select one)	Publish my submission online (your organisation or individual name will be identified along with your submission)
Q9. Would you like to complete the submission online or upload a document?	I would like to complete an online submission
Q10. Do you have a clear understanding of the definitions of a competent person for asbestos-related tasks? How could any misunderstandings be addressed or clarified?	Yes they are very clear
Q11. Do you see a benefit in aligning the training, qualification and experience requirements of competent persons, licensed asbestos assessors and asbestos removal supervisors for asbestos-related tasks? If so, what do you think the training, qualification and experience requirements should be? Please provide information and reasons to support your response.	<p>We believe that these should be aligned. It would be prudent to align the removalist licensing with assessor licensing. EG. The creation of an A Class & B Class assessor license with aligned training and experience would help industry overall by keeping more people in the field. We would also like to negate the absolute need for tertiary qualifications as we have found many good staff without these. It could be as a preferred option but not as a prerequisite. There are many competent trades people who could fulfil the role of a LAA.</p>

Q12. Are there any other issues regarding the definition and requirements of competent persons for asbestos-related tasks that should be considered? Please provide information and reasons to support your response.

We believe that as per removalist licensing that the asbestos assessor license should be company orientated as the company bears the responsibilities and liability. A combination of a Class A LAA on site to check on friable works followed by a Class B LAA to provide air monitoring & site supervision. If a company can be assessed as providing a rigorous in-house training program and the employee has completed this along with the VET course for asbestos assessor work, then through this process the relevant state WHS authority should recognise this and issue the relevant license under the previously proposed, Class A or B LAA

Q13. Is there any other additional feedback you would like to provide?

The current requirements are making it difficult to engage and retain employees. In QLD 2 years' experience with a range of friable, surveys, sampling, jobs over that period can be quite onerous, particularly as friable jobs can be rare. We believe that this could be vastly improved by - alignment of training and levels across removalist & LAA - provision for a companies Supervisors to hold the primary Class A LAA license (as per removalists) by proving that VET are achieved and inhouse training systems and methodologies meet standards.

Q14. Please upload your submission document or any supporting information to your submission here (optional)

not answered

Q15. Terms and conditions

I have read and understand the Engage terms and conditions (<https://engage.swa.gov.au/terms>) for making this submission.
