LANDS TITLES OFFICE
GUIDANCE NOTES

APPLICATION FOR CANCELLATION OF A STRATA PLAN

These Guidance Notes are of a general nature and are not intended to, and cannot, replace the advice of a Legal Practitioner or Registered Conveyancer.

GENERAL INFORMATION

* Form CS1 is to be used for the cancellation of a deposited Strata Plan:
  - By the Strata Corporation, or
  - In pursuance of an Order of Court.

* Where the application is made pursuant to an Order of Court, a copy of the sealed court order must accompany the CS1.

* A Form CS1 cannot be used to cancel more than one plan.

  Note: As documentation requirements for an amendment pursuant to an order of court are to be determined by viewing the order, the following notes relate to applications made by the Strata Corporation.

* Cancellation will result in one allotment being created for the strata site and a title issued in the name(s) of the registered proprietor(s) for all of the units in shares in accordance with the schedule of unit entitlement annexed to the strata plan.

* A Filed Plan defining the allotment created by the cancellation may need to be lodged with the application.

* The CS1 must be assessed for stamp duty prior to being lodged in the Lands Titles Office.

* If the name of a consenting party has altered an application amending their name should precede the CS1.

* Each page must be numbered consecutively, eg. 1 of 10, 2 of 10.

* All handwriting must be in permanent, dense, rapid drying black or blue ink.

EXPLANATION OF FORM

Land Description
Insert here all the titles (e.g. Whole of the land in CT Volume…..Folio…..) affected by the cancellation (including for the common property)

Application to Registrar-General
Insert the full name and address of Corporation.

In (1):
* Insert the number of the strata plan being cancelled.
* If the application is not by Order of Court, delete the inapplicable. If by Order of Court insert the relevant information.

Execution by Strata Corporation
Must be dated.

Strata Corporation to affix their common seal and state that it is affixed pursuant to a unanimous resolution of the corporation.

FORM CS1 (VERSION 1)
Consent to the Cancellation of a Strata Plan

Parties required to consent to the cancellation are set out in section 17 of the Strata Titles Act 1988.

Consenting party

Show consenting party’s full name, including if a company their ACN or ABN, and their address.

Nature of estate or interest held

State the nature of the estate or interest held (ie. Registered proprietor of C.T…..., Mortgagee, etc)

Statement of Effect on estates or interests of consenting parties

* Insert Interest affected (eg. CT 5678/23, M 34567812, L 6785892, etc.)

* Show effect on the interest, if any, eg. Extension of the appurtenance for easement (TG12369872) to the whole of Allotment 7 in FP 52345.

* If there is no effect insert NIL. Do not use N/A

* Insert Consideration/Value for Stamp Duty purposes.

Consent to cancellation

In (1) insert the number of the strata plan being cancelled.

Must be dated.

Execution by consenting party

If the consenting party is a natural person who is signing in his or her own right, he or she must sign his or her usual signature in the place indicated on the form. A different format must be used where a person is not signing in his or her own right (eg. He or she is signing as attorney for the consenting party.)

Pursuant to Section 267 of the Real Property Act 1886 (RPA), the witness to consenting party’s execution must be an adult (aged 18 years or over) who knows the consenting party personally or has satisfied him or herself as to the identity of the consenting party. The witness cannot be a party to the instrument. The witness must sign his or her name and print his or her full print, address and business hours telephone number legibly beneath their signature.

Pursuant to Section 268 of the RPA, a witness is guilty of an offence if he or she does not know the person executing the instrument personally and has no reasonable ground on which to be satisfied as to the person’s identity, OR knows or has reasonable grounds for suspecting that the person signing the instrument is not a party to the instrument or does not have the authority to sign on behalf of the party.

- Maximum Penalty - $5,000 or 1 year imprisonment.

If the consenting party is a body corporate it may execute in any manner permitted by law.

CERTIFICATION

Any inapplicable certification statement(s) must be deleted.

Certification statements must be made by a prescribed person, being one of the following:

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

All certifications apply where the Prescribed Person is a registered conveyancer or legal practitioner.

The first listed certification does not apply where the Prescribed Person is a self-represented party. Self-represented 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.

Note: - An attorney or a body corporate cannot make certification statements.
The Registrar-General’s Verification of Identity and Verification of Authority requirements must always be complied with.

Penalties of up to $10,000 or 2 years imprisonment apply, where a prescribed person provides a false certification under section 273(1) of the Real Property Act 1886.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION LODGED WITH APPLICATION
Insert reference to supporting documentation that is required to be lodged with the application.

NEW TITLE INSTRUCTIONS
Insert new title instructions for all new titles to be issued as result of the cancellation.

ANNEXURE
It will be necessary to use an annexure sheet (Form B1) if there is insufficient space for the text or to complete the remaining executions.

An annexure sheet to an instrument must:
(a) be in the format of Form B1 and identified therein as an annexure to the parent instrument;
(b) be referred to in the body of the instrument where there is insufficient space;
(c) be affixed securely and permanently to the top left-hand corner of the instrument. The annexure and instrument must not be bound;
(d) comply with the requirements in Form B1 Guidance Notes.

When an additional or inserted sheet, being a certificate, statutory declaration or writing of a similar nature is intended to form part of an instrument ensure:
(a) it is affixed securely and permanently to the top left hand corner of the instrument; and
(b) the printing or handwriting thereon is clear and legible and in permanent form.

The Registrar-General may refuse to accept for registration any instrument, annexure sheet or additional or inserted sheet that does not comply with the provisions of these standards.