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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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What (a) specific enforcement mechanisms will be introduced to ensure full compliance by home builders and prevent substandard workmanship and poor-quality materials and (b) penalties will be imposed on building contractors who fail to meet the set standards? NW92E

**Reply:**

**(a)** The National Home Builders Registration Council (NHBRC), through its regulations, will ensure that all home builders request inspection at critical milestones of every project during construction. The continuation of construction will be permitted upon the assurance of quality and implementation of workmanship according to specifications ascertained by the inspector during site visits. The NHBRC issues non-compliance notices and provides training for those homebuilders who seek to comply with the standards, where local labour is mostly required on projects. Homebuilders that continue to not comply are interdicted to cease construction.

**(b)** Homebuilders who fail to comply with set standards are suspended and subject to a disciplinary process, during which they are either fined or potentially deregistered at the discretion of the enforcement committee.