

Information Data Sheet

What to look for in a painting quote! – Consumer Guideline

When requesting a quotation from a painting contractor, the following information should be included in the written quotation:

Contractors complete details i.e. Name/Address/Home phone/Mobile phone/ABN/Clients full details

Is your painter a member of the Master Painters Association?

Quotation should include: Supply of labour and materials

1. Scope of works

This clearly identifies items to be painted i.e. walls, ceiling, windows, doors etc.

2. Specification

This section identifies how work is to be carried out. This will also include the number of coats to be applied, type of paint to be used, colour required, and the selected gloss level etc.

All preparation and painting works should be to the AS/2311 and the Master Painters Association Industry Standard for The Surface Coating Industry.

3. Exclusions

This section identifies what is not to be painted and is just as important as the Scope of Works List any item that is not included in the scope of works. e.g powdered coated windows, exterior/interior Damage by other trades will be charged out as a variation.

4. Guarantee

All trades that are supplying Goods and Services must supply a guarantee by law. Normally the guarantee for labour is supplied by the painting contractor and the materials by the paint manufacturer. The contractor must provide a process that the consumer can access the guarantee if required.

5. Insurance

Contractors must have Public Liability and Personnel Accident Insurance.

This is important for protection of both parties in case of an accident in the workplace or an item has been damaged. Consumers can request to see a Certificate of Compliance.

Contractors must also work to all relevant laws under the OHS ACT to provide Workplace safety to all employees and consumers especially working at heights on the exterior the use of ladders should only be used if no other method is available.

GST Must be included in the final **quotation**/contract amount

It is recommended that quotations be in writing and signed by both parties before work is commenced.

Contractors can request a deposit to be paid before work is commenced. Generally, 10% of the contract price is acceptable and the contractor may require progress payments depending on the cost or duration of the project.

Note As preparation is the most critical aspect of the painting works on the exterior, we suggest that the contractor undertakes a number of adhesion test on the substrate prior to a quotation being provided. We also recommend a lead test be carried out on any house built Before 1970

The Master Painters Association recommends only premium grade products be used and preparation and painting works is to the Australian Standard AS/NZ2311:2009 Painting of Buildings and the MPA/FTAA Industry Standard for the Surface Coating Industry.

This information is only to assist consumers when obtaining a quote for painting and does not cover all aspects of the tender document