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## **Unlicensed plumber prosecuted, public warned**

**Hajir Mobin | Danny's Plumbing and Gas Services**

Kinross man **Hajir Mobin** trading as **Danny's Plumbing and Gas Services**, whose conduct has been the subject of several public warnings and prosecution action by the Department of Commerce, has been prosecuted by the Plumbers Licensing Board (PLB) for carrying out unauthorised plumbing work.

On 1 July 2016, the Joondalup Magistrates Court fined Mr Mobin \$7,450 and ordered him to pay costs of \$562.60 after finding him guilty in his absence of six charges under the Plumbers Licensing and Plumbing Standards Regulations 2000.

Mr Mobin's conviction relates to water supply and sanitary plumbing work he carried out at five rental properties and one business in Kinross, Mindarie and Ocean Reef between June 2014 and August 2015. The magistrate convicted Mr Mobin of three charges for carrying out unlicensed plumbing work and three charges for failing to comply with rectification notices issued by the PLB.

PLB Chairperson Howard Croxon OAM said joint public warnings about Mr Mobin's conduct issued by the Building Commission, EnergySafety and Consumer Protection in [August](#) and [September](#) 2015 still applied.

"Mr Mobin does not hold the plumbing licence and gasfitting permit required for carrying out plumbing or gasfitting work in Western Australia and consumers should continue to avoid engaging him to carry out any plumbing or gasfitting work," Mr Croxon said.

Mr Mobin was previously prosecuted for plumbing-related offences in July 2015 and fined \$5,000 ([read the media statement](#)).

EnergySafety prosecuted Mr Mobin in January 2016 and January 2009 for unlicensed gasfitting and advertising-related offences. In the 2016 prosecution, Mr Mobin was fined \$47,500 and in 2009, he was fined \$24,000.

Consumer Protection prosecuted Mr Mobin in February 2009 for falsely advertising that he was a licensed plumber. He was fined \$10,800. In advertising his services, Mr Mobin used several licence numbers that did not belong to him.

"If plumbing work is done incorrectly it can result in the failure of plumbing equipment or systems, which can compromise public health and safety and result in property damage, disease, injury or even death," Mr Croxon said.

"Consumers should check that the person they engage to carry out plumbing work holds the required licence at [www.commerce.wa.gov.au/building-commission](http://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/building-commission) or by contacting the Building Commission.



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"The Plumbers Licensing Board and the Building Commission will continue to hold to account and name those who put the public interest and the reputation of the plumbing industry at risk."

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