

PAPER TITLE DEEDS TO BECOME A THING OF THE PAST ...



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A Title Deed, or a Certificate of Title, is a paper record showing the current owner's name and title particulars of a property. Despite the Queensland Titles Office being electronic and paperless since 1994, there are still some paper Title Deeds in existence.

From 1 October 2019, a paper Title Deed will no longer have any legal effect and will not need to be deposited with the Titles Office. Paper Title Deeds will not need to be destroyed nor will they be required to be delivered to the Titles Office.

Until 1 October 2019, the current provisions governing a paper Title Deed will remain in place. This means that, where there is a paper Title Deed, that Title Deed will need to still be deposited with the Titles Office in order for a transaction to proceed.

As is currently the case, the electronic title held in the Titles Registry will be the point of truth for ownership and interests in Queensland land.

A paper Title Deed will now fade away into history and will be of sentimental value only.



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