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Primer on CIAP Document 102



CIAP Document 102  
(Uniform General Conditions of  
Contract for Private Construction)  
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## DOCUMENT 102

Uniform General Conditions of Contract  
for Private Construction

### Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)



# WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT CIAP DOCUMENT 102?

Here are some of the Frequently Asked Questions to guide you:

## What is CIAP Document 102?

It contains the **general conditions** ordinarily established in construction contracts, reflecting the **usages, customs, and best practices in the construction industry.**

It forms part of the Contract Documents which include the:

- Agreement
- Bid Documents
- Specifications
- Drawings
- Special Conditions of Contract
- Other Contract Documents.

## Does CIAP Document 102 apply to all construction contracts?

No. As its title suggests, it is applicable **only to private contracts** involving the construction of any type of structure or works as reflected in **R.A. No. 4566** (Contractor's License Law).

It is strictly for domestic use.

## What are the objectives of CIAP Document 102?

It is intended to have **supplementary effect on private construction contracts.**

Its provisions serve as the **procedures, guidelines, and criteria to be used in the implementation of the Contract, most especially in the interpretation of the ambiguities and omissions of stipulations in the Contract.**

It provides **equitable and realistic contract conditions** which aims to promote **fair contractual relationships** in the construction industry.



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## Do the Courts recognize CIAP Document 102?

Yes. Its usage follows from the premise that **customs or accepted usages of trade as a source of law.**

The Courts apply the provisions of CIAP Document 102 on the basis of **Article 1376 of the Civil Code**, which says:

*“The usage of customs of the place shall be borne in mind in the interpretation of the ambiguities of a contract, and shall fill the omission of stipulations which are ordinarily established.”*