Update for Practitioners (councils and accredited professionals)

NCC 2022 Modern Homes Transitional Arrangements

27 March 2025



Acknowledgement of Country

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We acknowledge this land that we meet on today is the traditional lands for the Kaurna people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with this Country.

We also acknowledge the Kaurna people as the custodians of the Adelaide region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kaurna people today.

Welcome

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- NCC 2022 was adopted nationally on 1 May 2023 except for modern homes provisions (deferred nationally until 1 October 2023).
- South Australia provided additional 12-month transition period.
- NCC 2022 modern homes provisions were adopted on 1 October 2024.
- Implementation for alterations and/or additions to existing Class 1 dwellings has been delayed to 1 May 2026 (announced 27 March 2025).

- 10-year moratorium on NCC provisions that may impede housing affordability announced August 2024 minimum requirements will remain at NCC 2022 levels:
 - √ 7-star equivalent for energy efficiency (thermal performance)
 - √ 'silver' level for livable housing design.



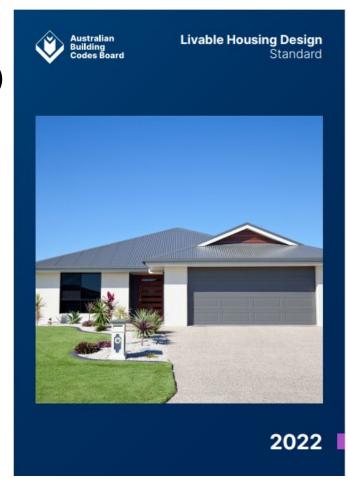
- Transitional arrangements were developed in consultation with NCC 2022
 Implementation Working Group to consider and address industry and sector specific impacts.
- Minister for Planning confirmed agreed outcomes following the Ministerial Liaison Group meeting on 6 November 2023.
 - ✓ General concession
 - ✓ Energy efficiency concession
 - ✓ Livable housing design concession
- Concessions and implementation of new provisions to be reviewed 18 months after implementation (mid 2026).



- **Energy efficiency** (Section J or Part H6):
 - ✓ increased thermal construction requirements to 7-star energy ratings
 - ✓ new whole-of-home annual energy use budget for domestic services (hot water, lighting, pool / spa pumps) for Class 1 buildings
 - ✓ Energy use requirements for key equipment for Class 2 buildings.
- Condensation management (Part F8 or Part H4 H4P7 / H4V5 / H4D9).
- Apply to Class 1 buildings and sole-occupancy units of Class 2 buildings.
- ABCB Housing Provisions (Class 1 buildings)
- Guidance material available from <u>www.abcb.gov.au</u>
 - ✓ ABCB Housing Energy Efficiency Handbook
 - ✓ ABCB Apartment Energy Efficiency Handbook



- Livable housing design (Part G7 or Part H8) to improve accessibility:
 - ✓ step-free access paths and entrances
 - ✓ minimum door and hallway widths
 - ✓ compliant toilet (entry or lowest level with habitable room)
 - ✓ step-free shower
 - ✓ wall reinforcement for future grab rails.
- Apply to Class 1a buildings and sole-occupancy units of Class 2 buildings (Class 1b - Part D4 access provisions)
- ABCB Standard for Livable Housing Design
- NCC 2022 access path exemptions
- Guidance material available from <u>www.abcb.gov.au</u>
 - ✓ ABCB Livable Housing Design Handbook



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Transitional Arrangements

Ministerial Building Standards





Modifications to the Building Code of Australia (MBS007)

- Modifies the NCC to provide SA concessions in relation to the provisions.
- Gives effect to the concessions to the liveable housing and energy efficiency provisions as of 1
 October 2024.

Amendment 4 (gazetted 27 March 2025)



Application of NCC modern homes provisions to existing class 1 buildings (MBS013)

 MBS 013 specifies energy efficiency and livable housing design deemed-to-satisfy provisions for new building work to existing Class 1 dwellings to support compliance with the requirements of the National Construction Code (NCC) modern homes provisions where assessment is difficult due to the disparity between new and existing standards of construction.

MBS 013 will apply from 1 May 2026
New *Advisory Notice* to provide guidance in using MBS 013
(*Advisory Notice 03/12* remains for applying 6-star requirements)

General concession



- Applies where a development application (planning or building consent)
 - ✓ lodged prior to 1 October 2024 for new Class 1 homes
 - ✓ lodged prior to 1 October 2024 for individual apartments in Class 2 apartment buildings
 - ✓ lodged prior to 1 May 2026 for new building works to existing Class 1 homes (alterations and additions).

- Can be assessed under relevant parts of NCC 2019:
 - ✓ energy efficiency under NCC 2019
 - √ condensation management under NCC 2019
 - √ livable housing design provisions do not apply.

General concession



- For the purposes of MBS 007, *lodged* means an application has been lodged electronically via the SA planning portal, lodged with the relevant authority at the principal office of the relevant authority, or lodged with an accredited professional in such manner as the accredited professional may require as per regulations 29(1) and 29(2) of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) Regulations 2017*.
 - ✓ Review to confirm application meets requirements for verification to commence at later date
 - ✓ Relevant authority must lodge application on the SA planning portal within 5 business days after receipt of application (as per regulation 29(4))
 - ✓ Evidence of receipt before 1 October 2024 included with application
 - ✓ Verification and fees paid not required before 1 October 2024.

General concession

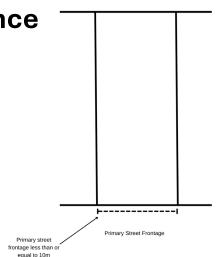


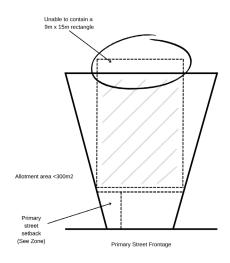
- Applications to vary a consent issued under general concession reviewed to confirm if they can be assessed as a variation or require a new application.
 - ✓ Variations can be assessed under relevant parts of NCC 2019.
 - ✓ New applications must comply with NCC 2022.



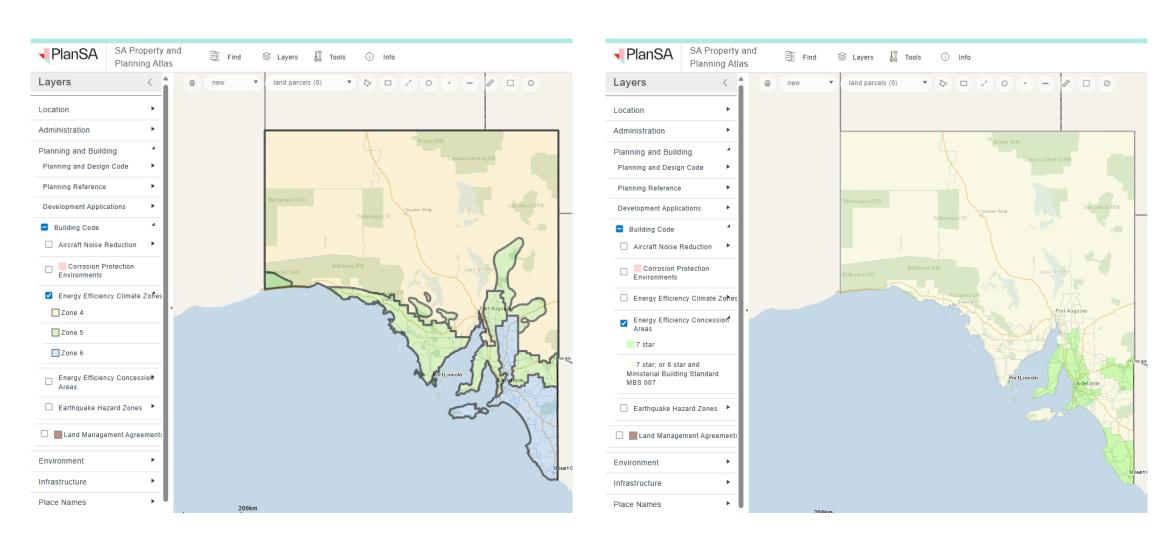
- Allows some homes to be built to the NCC 2019 thermal performance requirements (6-star) instead of NCC 2022 (7-star).
- Must comply with NCC 2022 energy usage and condensation management requirements.
- Applies to Class 1a and Class 1b homes:
 - ✓ constructed on existing small or irregular allotment (existing as of 1 May 2026)
 - ✓ used as workers' accommodation or tourist accommodation
 - ✓ manufactured off site with a floor area of 70 sqm or less.
 - ✓ manufactured off site and located in a designated location.

 (Refer to MBS 007 for definitions)









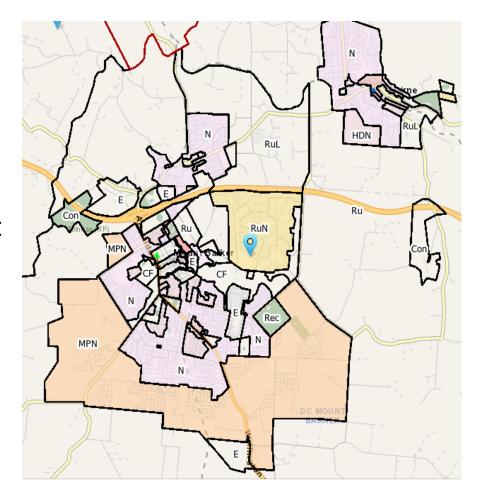
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- Instructions on how to use SAPPA can be found at <u>South Australian property and planning atlas | PlanSA</u>.
- Zoning for a property is covered under the Layers to explore drop-down (to find Master Planned Neighbourhood Zone at Mt Barker).
- Energy efficiency layers can be found via Layers button at top of SAPPA window:
 - ✓ Layers > Planning and Building > Building Code > Energy Efficiency Climate Zones
 - ✓ Layers > Planning and Building > Building Code > Energy Efficiency Concession Areas
- Mapped Energy Efficiency Concession Areas will not change
 - \checkmark legend now shows updated star ratings and references MBS 007.



- Applies to Class 1a and Class 1b homes (time-limited):
 - ✓ constructed on small or irregular allotment created as part of land division lodged prior to 1 May 2026 – application for building consent must be lodged prior to 1 January 2027
 - ✓ located in Master Planned Neighbourhood Zone of Mount Barker application for building consent must be lodged prior to 1 May 2026



Livable Housing concession



- New livable housing design requirements will not apply to some homes.
- Must still provide wall reinforcement to facilitate future grab rails.
- Applies to Class 1a homes:
 - ✓ constructed on small or irregular allotment created as part of land division lodged prior to 1 May 2026 application for building consent must be lodged prior to 1 January 2027
 - ✓ constructed on existing small or irregular allotment (existing as of 1 May 2026)
 - ✓ used as workers' accommodation or tourist accommodation
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New DAP Assessment Questions

Building Consent - New Assessment Questions

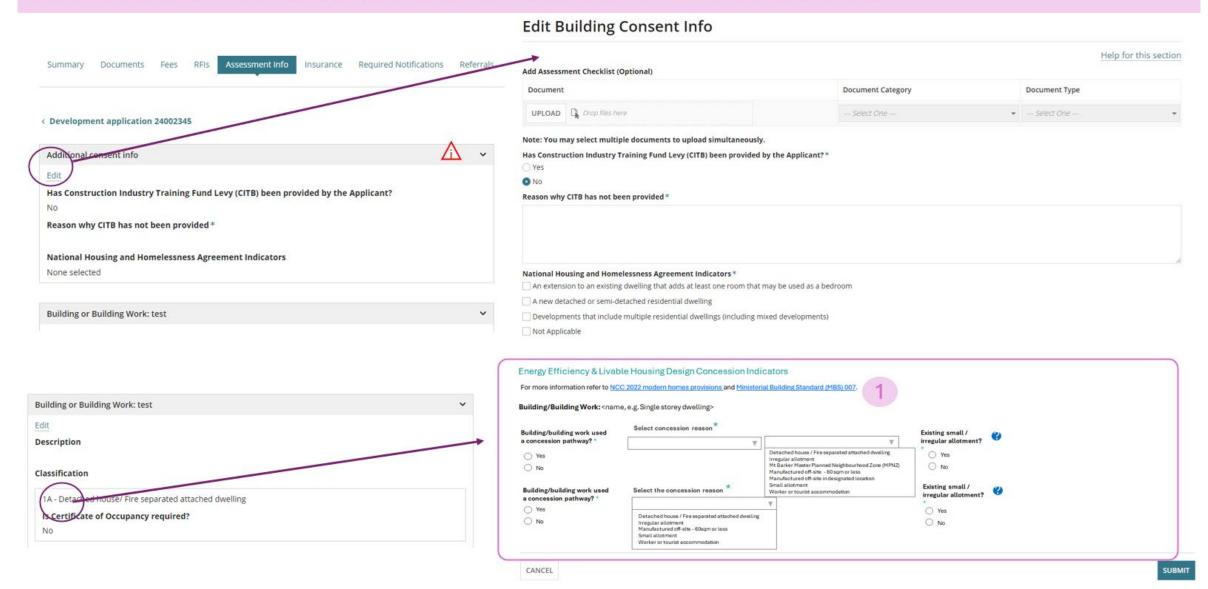


- New questions added to DAP building assessment to support mandatory national and state reporting on the implementation of the NCC 2022 modern homes provisions:
 - ✓ Net Zero strategies for energy efficiency
 - ✓ Housing accessibility for livable housing design
- Data collection related to concessions will also inform implementation review.
- Questions appear for Class 1a, Class 1b and Class 2 buildings.
- Any concessions applied captured at building assessment (mandatory)
 - ✓ confirms when concession applied and reason for concession
 - ✓ where more than one applies, primary concession reason should be selected.
 - \checkmark concession reason for additions and alterations to Class 1 buildings to be added.
- Related DAP enhancement will capture number of dwellings.

Building Consent - New Assessment Questions



Building Consent - Under Assessment | Assessment Info page & Additional Consent Info



Building Consent - Concession Indicators



Building Consent - Under Assessment | Assessment Info page & Additional Consent Info Energy Efficiency & Livable Housing Design Concession Indicators Building work containing Class 1A For more information refer to NCC 2022 modern homes provisions and Ministerial Building Standard (MBS) 007. Building/Building Work: <name, e.g. Single storey dwelling> Select concession reason* Building/building work used a concession pathway? * National Construction Class Code (NCC) Yes Part H6 - Energy Efficiency * Building consent lodged before 1 January 2027 (irregular/small allotment) Development application lodged before 1 October 2024 O No Irregular /small allotment (existing) Mt Barker Master Planned Neighbourhood Zone (MPNZ) Manufactured off-site - 60 sam or less Select the concession reason * Building/building work used National Construction Manufactured off-site - designated location a concession pathway? * Worker or tourist accommodation Code (NCC) Class Part H8 - Livable Housing Yes Design * O No Building consent lodged before 1 January 2027 (irregular/small allotment) Development application lodged before 1 October 2024 Irregular /small allotment (existing) Manufactured off-site - 60sqm or less Drop down menus Not applicable for this stage. Worker or tourist accommodation have been updated to reflect current concessions

Building Consent - Concession Indicators



Energy Efficiency & Livable Housing Design Concession Indicators

For more information refer to NCC 2022 modern homes provisions and Ministerial Building Standard (MBS) 007.

Building work containing Class 1B

Building/Building Work: <name, e.g. Single storey dwelling>



а	National Construction Code (NCC)
	Part H6 – Energy Efficiency *

Class

Building/building work used a concession pathway? * O Yes

O No



Building consent lodged before 1 January 2027 (irregular/small allotment) Development application lodged before 1 October 2024

Irregular /small allotment (existing)

Mt Barker Master Planned Neighbourhood Zone (MPNZ)

Manufactured off-site - 60 sqm or less

Manufactured off-site - designated location

Worker or tourist accommodation

Drop down menus have been updated to reflect current concessions

Energy Efficiency & Livable Housing Design Concession Indicators

1B

For more information refer to NCC 2022 modern homes provisions and Ministerial Building Standard (MBS) 007.

Building work containing Class 2

Building/Building Work: <name, e.g. 2 storey apartment complex>

С	National Construction Code (NCC) Section J – Energy efficiency*	Class 2	Building/building work used a concession pathway? * Yes No	Select concession reason Development application lodged before 1 October 2024
d	National Construction Code (NCC) Part G7 – Livable Housing Design*	Class 2	Building/building work used a concession pathway? * Yes No	Select concession reason* Development application lodged before 1 October 2024

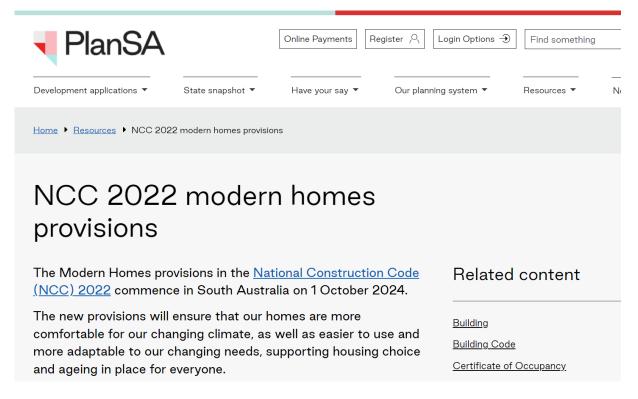
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Further Information

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- NCC Modern Homes landing page plan.sa.gov.au/en/ncc-modern-homes
 - ✓ Links to relevant advisory and guidance information / FAQs / resources.
 - ✓ MBS 013 update late 2025.
 - ✓ Let us know what information and resources you would like to see <u>DHUD.BuildingConsultation@sa.gov.au</u>



- Updates via Building Standard and Planning Ahead newsletters.
- Queries through the PlanSA Service Desk PlanSA@sa.gov.au for response.