



Building Newsflash

Proposed Renumbering of the Queensland Development Code

Purpose

To advise of the proposed renumbering of the Queensland Development Code (QDC) and consequential update of the Building Codes Queensland (BCQ) website.

Background

The QDC has been in operation for over five years, with new parts added to the list as they are approved. BCQ is proposing the addition of a new QDC part and amendments to several existing QDC parts (see Newsflash 284). After reviewing the QDC format, BCQ is proposing the organisation of the QDC into new categories, as well as the introduction of a new numbering system (see **Attachment 1**).

The rearrangement will ensure QDC parts are:

- in a logical sequence according to their legislative status;
- in readily identifiable categories according to their application; and
- easily accessible by building and design industry professionals and the public.

Industry Comment

Industry may provide written comment to BCQ by 28 September 2007 concerning the proposed changes to the QDC including the renumbering and the new and revised parts. Comments may be sent by email to Philip.Finnimore@dlgpsr.qld.gov.au or by written submission to:

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Legislation

Building Act 1975

Building Regulation 2006

Acts Interpretation Act 1954

Acts such as the *Residential Services Accreditation Act 2002*, the *Child Care Act 2002* and the *Pastoral Workers' Accommodation Act 1980* refer to certain QDC parts. The renumbering of the QDC means the parts these Acts refer to will have a different number. This does not mean they no longer apply. The *Acts Interpretation Act 1954* has provisions to allow the original parts to continue to operate with the new numbers. Website notation of the original QDC number will help with referencing.

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DRAFT ONLY**QUEENSLAND DEVELOPMENT CODE – Mandatory Standards (MS)****Part 1.0 – Siting and Amenity - Detached Housing**

MS 1.1 – Design and Siting Standards for Single Detached Housing on Lots under 450m² (previously Part 11)

MS 1.2 – Design and Siting Standards for Single Detached Housing on Lots 450m² and Over (previously Part 12)

Part 2.0 – Fire Safety

MS 2.1 – Fire Safety in Budget Accommodation Buildings (previously Part 14)

MS 2.2 – Fire Safety in Residential Care Buildings (previously Part 14.1)

MS 2.3 – Detention Centres (previously Part 3)

Part 3.0 – Special Buildings

MS 3.1 – Floating Buildings (previously Part 31)

MS 3.2 – Tents (previously Part 28)

Part 4.0 – Building Sustainability

MS 4.1 – Sustainable Buildings (previously Part 29)

MS 4.2 – Water Saving Targets (previously Part 25)

Part 5.0 – General Health, Safety and Amenity

MS 5.1 – Workplaces (previously Part 1)

MS 5.2 – Higher Risk Personal Appearance Services (previously Part 15)

MS 5.3 – Retail Meat Premises (previously Part 4)

MS 5.4 – Child Care Centres (previously Part 22)

MS 5.5 – Private Health Facilities (previously Part 7)

MS 5.6 – Pastoral Workers' Accommodation (previously Part 21)

MS 5.7 – Residential Services Building Standard (previously Part 20)

MS 5.8 – Workplaces Including Spray Painting (previously Part 2)

QUEENSLAND DEVELOPMENT CODE – Draft Standards (DS)

As appropriate.

QUEENSLAND DEVELOPMENT CODE – Superseded Standards (SS)**SS 1.0 – Detached Housing**

Part 11 – Design and Siting Standard for Single Detached Housing on Lots under 450m² – 1 March 2006 (*superseded by MS 1.1*)

Part 11 – Design and Siting Standard for Single Detached Housing on Lots under 450m² – 25 October 2005

Part 11 – Design and Siting Standard for Single Detached Housing on Lots under 450m² – 29 August 2003

Part 12 – Design and Siting Standard for Single Detached Housing on Lots 450m² and Over – 1 March 2006 (*superseded by MS 1.2*)

Part 12 – Design and Siting Standard for Single Detached Housing on lots 450m² and Over – 25 October 2005

Part 12 – Design and Siting Standard for Single Detached Housing on Lots 450m² and Over – 23 August 2002

SS 2.0 – Fire Safety

Part 14 – Fire Safety in Budget Accommodation Buildings – 13 June 2005 (*superseded by MS 2.1*)

Part 14 – Fire Safety in Budget Accommodation Buildings – 23 August 2002

SS 4.0 – Sustainability

Part 25 – Rainwater Tanks – 1 September 2006 (*superseded by MS 4.2 Water Savings Targets*)

Part 25 – Rainwater Tanks – 1 March 2006

SS 5.0 – General Health, Safety and Amenity

Part 22 – Child Care Centres – 1 November 2004 (*superseded by MS 5.4*)

Part 22 – Child Care Centres – 1 September 2003

NON MANDATORY STANDARD (NMS) – these standards are not referenced in Legislation and are not part of the Queensland Development Code

NMS 1.1 – Driveways (previously Part 6)

NMS 1.2 – Energy Efficient Housing (Superseded by National Code) (previously Part 13)

NMS 1.3 – Entertainment Precincts (previously Part 30)

NMS 1.4 – Excavation and Piling near Sewers, Stormwater Drains and Water Mains (previously Part 5)

NMS 1.5 – Floor Heights (previously Part 8)

NMS 1.6 – Removal Houses and Structures (previously Part 17)

NMS 1.7 – Retaining Walls and Excavation and Filing (previously Part 10)

NMS 1.8 – Stormwater Drainage (previously Part 9)

NMS 1.9 – Swimming Pool and Spa Equipment (previously Part 18)