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National Construction Code 2025 – Queensland Variations

NCC 2025 delayed adoption

The Queensland Government is making it easier to build in Queensland by cutting red tape, boosting productivity and safeguarding investment.

The commencement of the National Construction Code (NCC) 2025 has been delayed until **1 May 2027**. Until then, the **NCC 2022**¹ will remain in effect for building and plumbing work.

The delay will provide industry with additional time to prepare and adapt to the changes introduced by the latest edition of the NCC (NCC 2025).

The delay is being implemented under the NCC 2025, through Schedule 7 (Queensland variations).

NCC 2025 variations

All current Queensland variations in NCC 2022 Schedule 7 have been reviewed and will remain in place for NCC 2025.

The new Queensland variations will also be introduced in Schedule 7 of NCC 2025. These are:

- Five variations to NCC 2025 Volume 1, which will:
 - adopt NCC 2025 on 1 May 2027
 - remove the requirement for additional space/floor area in commercial buildings if gas space heating systems are incorporated into certain areas of the building
 - remove the requirement for additional reserved capacity for gas-heated water systems for food preparation and sanitary facilities in certain areas of the building

¹ NCC 2022 includes Amendment 1 and Amendment 2 as published by the Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB).

- remove the requirement for additional reserved capacity and space for gas-heated swimming pool and spa water systems in certain areas of the building.
- One variation to NCC 2025 Volume 2, which will:
 - adopt NCC 2025 on 1 May 2027
- Two variations to the NCC 2025 Volume 3, which will:
 - adopt NCC 2025 on 1 May 2027
 - retain existing requirements for polyethylene drinking water pipes in Queensland.

The Queensland Development Code (QDC) and Queensland Plumbing and Wastewater Code (QPWC) will continue to apply and vary aspects of the NCC edition that is in effect at the time.

For more information

For a comprehensive list of changes, you can review the [NCC 2025 preview article](#) published by the ABCB.

If you have any questions or require further clarification, please contact Building Policy: buildingpolicy@hpw.qld.gov.au.

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