

Lifecycle of the NCC



The National Construction Code (NCC) is Australia's primary set of technical design and construction provisions.

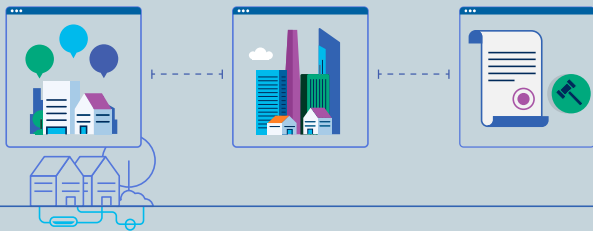
The Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) updates the NCC every 3 years through a 7 stage cycle.



Stage 1

Research, investigation and content development

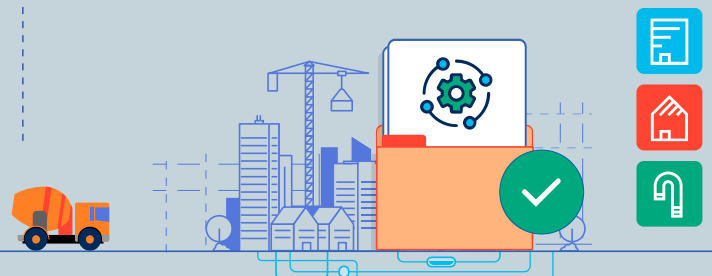
Changes are considered based on Proposals for Change (PFC) from the public, industry research and trends, and ministerial policy direction. All major changes undergo impact analysis.



Stage 2

Proposed content confirmed

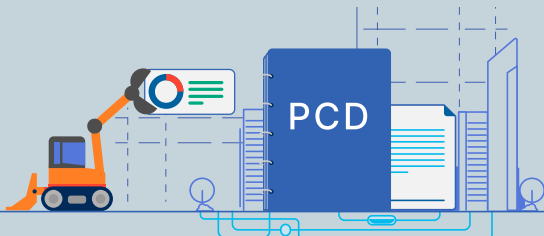
Proposed changes are presented to the ABCB's Building Codes Committee and Plumbing Code Committee for technical review and consideration.



Stage 3

Editing, drafting and publication

A Public Comment Draft (PCD) containing the proposed changes is developed. The PCD is then endorsed by the Board before publication.



Stage 4

Public comment

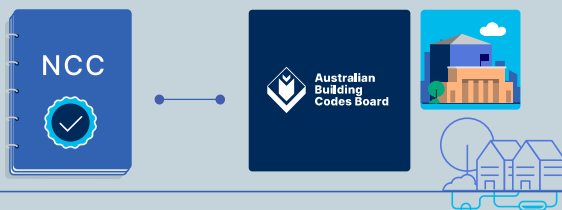
This is the last opportunity for public feedback on proposed changes. No new changes can be suggested.



Stage 5

Finalising changes

Any amendments are incorporated into the final draft. This is presented to the Board for endorsement. Building Ministers are responsible for providing final approval.



Stage 6

Publishing

Users can preview the new NCC and access a range of materials to learn about the changes before it's officially adopted.



Stage 7

Commencement

The new NCC is officially adopted, and the cycle recommences at stage 1.

abcb.gov.au/NCC-lifecycle

