



# Plumbing regulations in Australia

The Plumbing Code of Australia (PCA) is given legal effect by the relevant legislation within each State and Territory. It contains the technical requirements which are critical for understanding how to design and install plumbing and drainage systems. The PCA also determines how and where the requirements of the Australian Standards 3500 Series must be used and applied.

## State and Territory Plumbing Acts and Regulations

Contains administrative requirements

Includes licensing, accreditation, when a plumbing permit is required.

## Plumbing Code of Australia (PCA)

Contains technical requirements

Includes how plumbing and drainage systems must be installed in buildings.



## Performance Requirements

The mandatory requirements of the PCA.

### Performance Solution

and/or

### Deemed-to-Satisfy Solution

- Expert Judgement
- Comparison with Deemed-to-Satisfy Solutions
- Evidence of Suitability
- Verification Methods

The AS 3500 series are a form of Deemed-to-Satisfy Solution in the PCA.

Performance Solutions and/or Deemed-to-Satisfy Solutions are options that demonstrate compliance with the Performance Requirements.

## WaterMark Certification Scheme

Certain plumbing and drainage products must be certified in accordance with the WaterMark Certification Scheme.



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