



## NCC 2022 Stage 1 Preview

### Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

#### When will NCC 2022 be adopted?

NCC 2022 will be adopted by states and territories on 1 September 2022.

A draft plan for a coordinated transition and implementation of NCC 2022 is currently being considered by the ABCB and senior official from all jurisdictions. Ministers expect that advice to be provided by the end of June 2022.

#### Where can I access the preview for NCC 2022?

You can access the NCC 2022 Preview from [ncc.abcb.gov.au](http://ncc.abcb.gov.au) from 9 May as a pdf only. The online version will be available shortly thereafter.

#### What are the key changes for NCC 2022?

You can read the [full article](#) on the changes for NCC 2022 on the ABCB website.

- New Livable Housing features to assist people with a disability or transition through their life stages
- Introduction of the new volume and clause structure to improve consistency across all NCC volumes
- Introduction of a new Housing Provisions Standard, to make Volume Two consistent with the new volumes structure
- New lead free requirements for plumbing products to improve the quality and safety of drinking water, and
- A range of improvements to fire safety, weatherproofing, and waterproofing requirements.

#### Why doesn't the preview include section J / the energy efficiency provisions?

Development of the 2022 edition of the NCC was split into 2 stages.

The ABCB has released the first stage of NCC 2022, covering all 3 volumes, 2 new referenced standards and most of the amendments to the NCC.

The energy efficiency and condensation management provisions are blank, as these are still being finalised. These will be included in the second stage release scheduled for August 2022.



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#### **Will there be further variations made to the NCC?**

Each state and territory will bring NCC 2022 into effect in their own time and manner using their own regulatory regimes.

Governments are still considering what aspects of NCC 2022 to adopt.

The second stage release of NCC 2022 will be a complete version, including details on state and territory variations. The ABCB expects to release the second stage of NCC 2022 in August 2022.

#### **Will there be transition periods for NCC changes?**

States and Territories agreed to delay the adoption of NCC 2022 until 1 September 2022. This date will be accompanied by transition periods for some requirements.

The ABCB is working with all governments on a coordinated transition plan, to explain when each of these changes will be made mandatory under state and territory legislation.

We expect to provide further advice on transition periods in August 2022.

#### **Why is the clause structure / format different?**

The ABCB has made changes to the code's structure and format to make it consistent across all three NCC Volumes

The new structure makes it more user-friendly and accessible. The consistent format also makes it more machine-readable, which means new digital tools can be developed to read the code.

To help users get used to the new structure, the old clause numbers will continue to be listed on the right hand side of the NCC as a handy reference.

#### **What is the corrigendum for NCC 2019 and NCC 2019 Amendment 1?**

The [corrigendum](#) provides advice to NCC users for alternative expiry arrangements for NCC 2019 and NCC 2019 Amendment 1.

You can read the [full notice](#) on the ABCB website.