

## **State Planning Policy 7.3**



# **Residential Design Codes**

# **Volume 1-Low and Medium Density**

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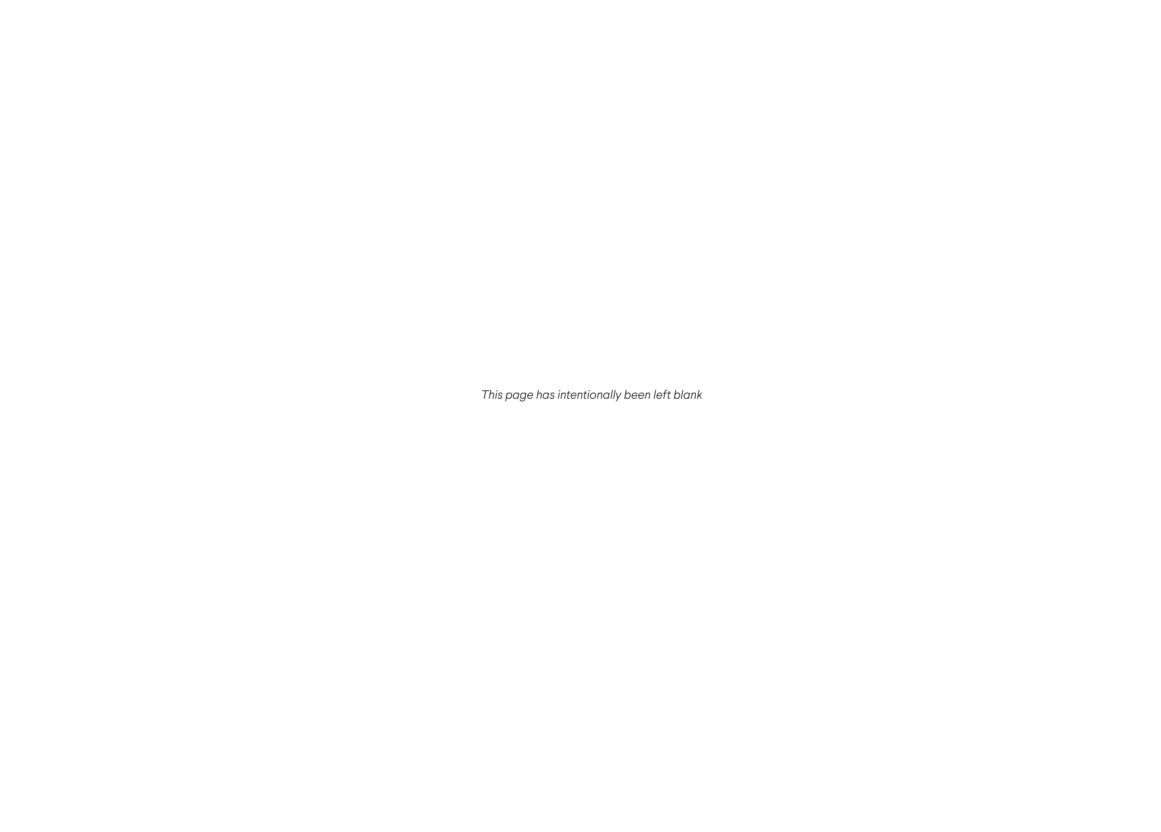
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## **About this document**

### **Planning reform**

Western Australia is experiencing a shifting planning and development landscape, influenced by new disruptive technologies, changes to our economy, and a diverse population with different needs and expectations.

A streamlined, contemporary and fit-for-purpose planning system that meets the varying needs of our vast State is critical for the delivery of quality housing for connected, vibrant and affordable communities, both now and the future.

The Action Plan for Planning Reform (Government of Western Australia, 2019) elevates the requirement for well-designed residential development across the State and the review and update of the Residential Design Codes (R-Codes) supports this goal.

### About good design

Good design is not a subjective idea; it can be defined and measured. Notions of design quality extend beyond taste, style and appearance to encompass functionality, sustainability, response to context, structural integrity, flexibility in use, and cost efficiency, both during construction and over the life of the building. Most importantly, good design results in an environment that performs well for all users and the broader community 1. Good design endeavours to reconcile multiple concurrent and often competing objectives and outcomes that vary according to the circumstances of each site and project. A rigorous, considered and contextual design process should prioritise these competing objectives to develop a cohesive, siteresponsive design. Undertaking this process typically creates better performing buildings and better outcomes for community.

<sup>1</sup> Better Places and Space: a policy for the built environment in Western Australia. Office of the Government Architect. 2013

### **Outcomes-based planning**

The R-Codes strongly advocate contextual and site-specific development solutions. To facilitate good design outcomes, the R-Codes Volume 1 provides two pathways for development assessment and determination.

Applications for development approval need to demonstrate that the proposal achieves the requirements of each design element of the R-Codes through either of the following pathways:

- **1. Deemed to comply** Deemed-to-comply provisions provide a straightforward means for the development proposal to demonstrate compliance with the objectives and design principles of the R-Codes. They outline the expected minimum development standards that should be met.
- **2. Design principle** The design principles pathway offers an alternative performance-based approach. This allows for innovative design responses that may be more context and site-responsive. The onus is on the proponent to demonstrate how they have met or exceeded the requirements of the relevant design principle when this pathway is pursued.

To foster good design outcomes, proponents are encouraged to access available opportunities for independent design review consistent with State Planning Policy 7.0 – Design of the Built Environment and the Design Review Guide (Western Australian Planning Commission, 2019). This can be particularly helpful for more complex applications and applications pursuing a performance-based, design principle approvals pathway, where the requirements of the code can be met in a variety of ways.

### Who is this design code for?

The R-Codes provide planning and design provisions for residential development across Western Australia. These provisions have been provided to assist in the following ways:

- Guide developers, urban planners, urban designers, architects, landscape architects, builders and other professionals when designing housing developments and preparing an application for development approval.
- Assist decision-makers and planning professionals in local and State government with assessment of development proposals and in implementing strategic planning in the form of local policy and design guidance.
- Support communities by raising awareness of the principles of good design and by promoting quality housing designs that will make a positive contribution to local neighbourhoods.

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### **R-Codes structure**

The R-Codes consist of two volumes.

R-Code Volume			Single Houses	Grouped Dwellings	Apartments/ Multiple Dwellings
VOLUME 4	State Planning Policy 7.3  Residential Design Codes  Volume 1 - Low and Medium Density  Out for public comment houseled 200	Part B Low Density Code	R2 to R25	R2 to R25	R10 to R25
VOLUME 1		Part C Medium Density Code	R30 and above	R30 and above	R30 to R60
VOLUME 2	State Planning Policy 7.3  Residential  Design Codes  Volume 2- Apartments	Apartments (separate document)	N/A	N/A	R80 and above and mixed use development (dwelling component only)

# About this document (cont.)

### Document structure

There are three parts to the R-Codes Volume 1 (this document).



### PART A - OPERATION OF CODE

Part A establishes the purpose, application and operation of the R-Codes Volume 1 and consists of the following sections:

### Section 1.0 Preliminary

Contains the administrative provisions and statutory framework, including the citation, general objectives of the code, and its application in relation to residential development.

### Section 2.0 Development application and decision-making process

Outlines the requirements for applications and the process for assessment and determination of development proposals. This section also explains when consultation with neighbours may be required and the applicable process.

### Section 3.0 Local planning framework

Explains how the provisions of the code interact with local government planning frameworks. This includes which local planning instruments can modify R-Code provisions to achieve context and site-responsive development outcomes.



### PART C - MEDIUM DENSITY CODE

Part C applies to all single houses and grouped dwellings in areas coded R30 and above, and multiple dwellings in areas coded R30 to

The provisions of the Medium Density Code and related figures. tables and diagrams, are captured in four sections:

- 1.0 Land
- 2.0 The Garden
- 3.0 The Building
- 4.0 Neighbourliness

Objectives are included at the beginning of each of these sections to give guidance for development proposals and assessment. These four sections are further divided into design elements that include the design principle and deemed-to-comply pathways.



### PART B - LOW DENSITY CODE

Part B applies to all single houses, grouped dwellings, and multiple dwellings in areas coded less than R30.

Note: It is intended that following finalisation and gazettal of Part C – Medium Density Code, the existing R-Codes Volume 1, Part 5 provisions and accompanying figures will be consolidated into Part B: Low Density Code: integrating the design standards for low and medium density housing into this single document.



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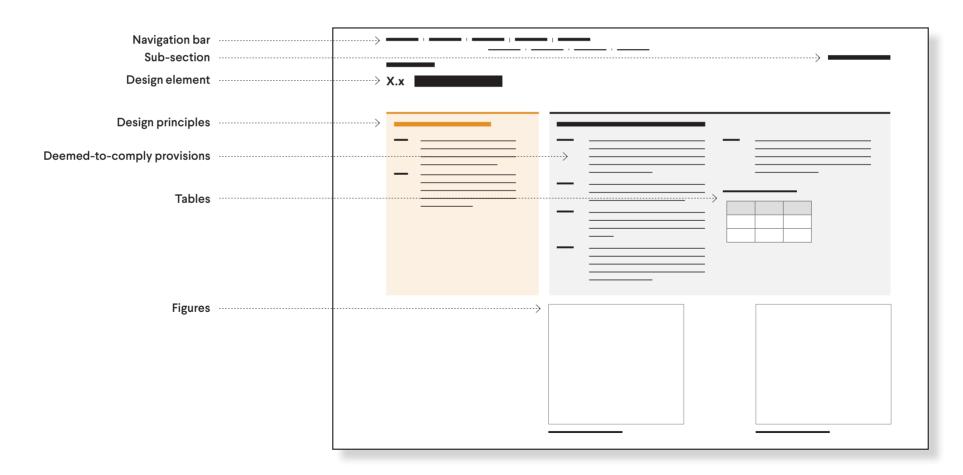
The appendices, which form part of the statutory provisions of the R-Codes Volume 1, consists of definitions; context and site analysis; and application requirements.

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### **Graphic layout**

Throughout this document, words written in bold print have a corresponding definition listed in A1 Definitions.

The R-Codes Volume 1 applies a two-column format. The left-hand column provides the element **design principles**. The right-hand column provides the **deemed-to-comply** provisions.



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It is intended that following finalisation and gazettal of Part C - Medium Density Code, the existing R-Codes Volume 1, Part 5 provisions and accompanying figures will be consolidated into Part B: Low Density Code; integrating the design standards for low and medium density housing into this single document.

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# 1.0 Preliminary

### 1.1 Citation

This planning policy is made under Part 3A of the *Planning and Development Act 2005* and is cited as the Residential Design Codes Volume 1 (R-Codes).

### 1.2 Purpose of the R-Codes

The purpose of the R-Codes is to provide a comprehensive basis for the guidance and control of **residential development** throughout Western Australia.

### 1.3 General objectives of R-Codes

The general objectives of the R-Codes are:

### Residential development objectives

- to facilitate quality residential development that provides occupants with high amenity and liveable housing for an enhanced quality of life;
- to promote a range of housing types that provide residents with choice, including affordable options;
- to encourage housing that responds to local context and contributes to the desired **streetscape**, precinct and neighbourhood character;
- to facilitate residential development that is environmentally, economically and socially sustainable;
   and
- to encourage house designs that are respectful and responsive to local heritage and cultural values.

### Planning, governance and development process objectives

- to facilitate residential development that is appropriately designed for the intended residential purpose, land tenure, density, place context and scheme objectives:
- to encourage residential design that is responsive to the development site, inclusive of its location, size and geometry;
- to allow variety and diversity as appropriate where it can be demonstrated this better reflects the context or scheme objectives;
- to allow for appropriate modifications to, and augmentation of R-Codes provisions through local planning frameworks;
- to provide certainty in timely assessment and determination of proposals; and
- to provide an assessment framework that supports consistent application of standards and decision-making between jurisdictions.

In assessing and determining proposals for **residential development**, the **decision-maker** shall have regard to the above general objectives, and any relevant objectives of the relevant **scheme**.

### 1.4 Application of the R-Codes

The R-Codes applies to all **residential development** throughout Western Australia and is divided into two volumes. R-Codes Volume 1 applies to low and medium density residential development, whereas R-Codes Volume 2 applies to high density **multiple dwelling** (apartment) **developments** in areas coded R80 and above and the **dwelling** component of **mixed use development**.

R-Codes Volume 1 is comprised of three parts.

**Part A of Volume 1** outlines the application and decision-making processes for **residential development**, and the variations that can be made to the provisions of the R-Codes through **local planning frameworks**.

Part B of Volume 1 includes provisions for single houses, grouped dwellings and multiple dwellings in areas coded less than R30.

Part C of Volume 1 applies to medium density development, specifically single houses and grouped dwellings in areas coded R30 and above; and multiple dwellings (apartments), in areas coded R30 to R60 inclusive.

### 1.5 Explanatory guidelines

The Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) may prepare more detailed explanatory guidelines on the matters addressed in the R-Codes Volume 1, in consultation with local government and relevant stakeholders, to meet the objectives of the R-Codes Volume 1 and, if prepared, these should be considered in the determination of proposals.

The explanatory guidelines, which may be amended from time to time, provide design and assessment guidance to assist interpretation and assessment of proposals against the **design principles** and **deemed-to-comply** provisions of the R-Codes Volume 1.

# 2.0 Development application and decision-making process

# 2.1 R-Codes development application process

The R-Codes and any subsequent amendments are read into **schemes** under the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* (the Regulations) (refer cl.25, part 1 of Schedule 1).

Schedule 2 of the Regulations exempts certain works from requiring a **development** application and development approval (refer cl. 61, part 7 of Schedule 2).

The following information provides a summary of when a **development** application is required. It is recommended proponents of developments consult with the relevant **decision-maker** to establish the application and procedural requirements that apply to the specific development proposal in the applicable jurisdiction.

### 2.1.1 When a development application is required

A **development** application<sup>2</sup> is required where required under a **scheme** 

Where a **development** application is required, the application shall be lodged with the relevant **decision-maker** for assessment and determination.

<sup>2</sup>Refer cl. 60 and 61 of part 6 in Schedule 2 of the Regulations.

### 2.1.2 Design development

Prior to lodging the **development** application with the **decision-maker**, proponents should undertake a thorough design development process to progress the best and most appropriate design response for the **site**.

A thorough design development process will entail the following:

### 1. Context and site analysis

Context and site analysis early in the design process to understand the existing and intended character of the locality and the opportunities and constraints presented by the **site** (refer *A2 Context and site analysis* for considerations that may be relevant at this stage).

### 2. Concept design

Concept design consisting of preliminary designs and sketches that address **development** opportunities and constraints, and explore different development options for the **site** that would be compliant with the R-Codes and **local planning framework**.

### 3. Pre-lodgement engagement

Pre-lodgement engagement with the **decision-maker** (where this service is available) to resolve design issues and use feedback to improve and advance the **development** proposal.

### 4. Design review

Where available, design review in addition to prelodgement engagement to obtain independent, expert advice on the design quality of the proposed development. Design review is particularly relevant to larger scale, complex and innovative design proposals proposing a design principle pathway. Refer to Design Review Guide (WAPC. 2019) for further details.

### 2.1.3 Development application requirements

All applications for **development** approval must provide the information required by the relevant **scheme** and as deemed to be necessary by the **decision-maker** to assess and determine the application including details where the proposal complies and does not comply with the R-Code requirements (refer A3 Application documentation for a list of items that may be required by decision-makers).

**Deemed-to-comply** provisions prescribe the minimum design standards that an application must satisfy in order to meet the requirements of each design element. Alternatively, proponents may lodge for a **design principle** assessment against one or multiple elements.

The application must detail in writing where the proposed **development** departs from a **deemed-to-comply** provision and give justification of how the proposal satisfies the corresponding **design principle** and any relevant objectives and requirements of the **local planning framework**. Local neighbourhood character or **site** conditions may be relevant in justifying why it may not be possible or desirable to satisfy a deemed-to-comply provision and how a proposal satisfies the corresponding design principle.

### 2.2 Assessment and determination process under the R-Codes

### 2.2.1 Assessment

In considering an application, a **decision-maker** shall have regard to matters specified under cl. 67, part 9 in Schedule 2 of the Regulations.

The **decision-maker** shall not vary the minimum or average **site area** per **dwelling** requirements set out in **Table A** except as provided for in the R-Codes Volume 1 or the **scheme**.

### 2.2.2 Judging merit of proposal

Where an application does not meet a **deemed-to-comply** provision(s) of the R-Codes Volume 1 and addresses a **design principle**(s), the **decision-maker** is required to exercise judgement and undertake a merit-based assessment to determine the proposal.

Judgement of merit is exercised by the **decision-maker** only for the specific element of a proposal that does not satisfy the relevant **deemed-to-comply** provision. Where the decision-maker is satisfied the **design principle** is met for that specific element, the corresponding deemed-to-comply provision(s) should not be applied.

Where a report from a design review panel is available<sup>1</sup>, the recommendations and advice may inform the judgement of merit and exercise of discretion.

In making a determination on the suitability of an application, the **decision-maker** shall exercise judgement having regard to:

- i. any relevant purpose, objectives and provisions of the scheme;
- ii. any relevant objectives and provisions of the R-Codes;
- iii. a provision of a **local planning policy** adopted by the decision-maker consistent with the R-Codes; and
- iv. orderly and proper planning.

The decision-maker shall not refuse to grant approval to an application where the application satisfies the deemed-to-comply provisions and design principles of the R-Codes Volume 1 and any relevant provision of the scheme and local planning framework.

Where an application does not satisfy a **deemed-to-comply** provision and is not consistent with the objectives, intent, and corresponding **design principle**, the application should be refused by the **decision-maker**.

<sup>1</sup>Refer to Design Review Guide (WAPC, 2019)

### 2.3 Consultation

### 2.3.1 Consultation not required

Where a development proposal is deemed-to-comply in accordance with the R Codes Volume 1, it will not require advertising to adjoining owners and occupiers.

### 2.3.2 Consultation required due to potential impact

Where an application is made for **development** approval which presents:

- i. a proposal against one or more design principles of the R-Codes Volume 1: and
- ii. there is the potential for the amenity of an adjoining property or the street to be impacted;

then there may be grounds for the decision-maker to notify affected owners and occupiers of the proposal.

### 2.3.3 Consultation required by local planning framework

Where the decision-maker is to judge the merits of a development application as part of a design principle pathway assessment and:

- i. the merits of the proposal are a matter of technical opinion; and
- ii. the decision-maker is satisfied that in its opinion the proposed development will not result in a significant impact on the amenity of the adjoining residential property or the **street**:

it is only necessary to seek comment from adjoining owners and occupiers where specifically required by the **scheme** or a relevant local planning policy.

### 2.3.4 Consultation approach

If in the opinion of the decision-maker, adjoining owners and occupiers are likely to be significantly adversely impacted by the proposed development, the opportunity to view and comment on the proposal should be provided.

The owners and occupiers of properties likely to be adversely impacted, as identified by the decision-maker, shall be notified in accordance with the requirements of cl. 64, part 8 in Schedule 2 the Regulations and invited to comment on that part of the proposed development that does not meet the **deemed-to-comply** provisions of the R-Codes Volume 1.

As a minimum, notified owners and occupiers should be provided with information on:

- how to view details of the proposal;
- ii. the site and general nature of the proposal; and
- iii. design principles that the proposal is addressing and the supporting justification provided by the proponent.

The **decision-maker**, upon receipt of comments from owners and occupiers of affected properties, should undertake a considered analysis of comments, balanced with technical expertise when exercising its judgement to determine the proposal.

Where no response is received within the time specified from the date of notification, the decision-maker will determine that the person(s) notified does not wish to provide any comment and may proceed to determine the proposal on its merits and issue its decision.

A summary of all comments received during the consultation period shall be provided to the proponent on request and, if so requested, a period of not more than 10 days should be allowed within which the proponent may submit a response to the comments prior to the decision-maker considering the proposal. Submitters may elect to have their name and other personal details redacted from any submission provided to the proponent or published in any other form.

In making a determination, the **decision-maker** shall consider any comments made during the consultation period and the proponent's response to the comments made on the proposal (if any).

The **decision-maker** should advise affected owners and occupiers of its decision and make available the approved plans for viewing if requested.

### 2.3.5 Amended plans

Where a proposed **development** has previously been advertised and amended plans are received post-advertising. the amended plans may be the subject of a further consultation period where, in the opinion of the decisionmaker, the proposed development requires additional exercise of judgement which may in the opinion of the decision-maker have an adverse impact on the amenity of an adjoining property or the streetscape.

Where, in the opinion of the decision-maker, amended plans reduce the impact of a proposed development and/or where they address comments received from submitters, the amended plans need not be the subject of readvertising.

Where amended plans are required to be the subject of readvertising, the consultation process should be in accordance with section 2.3.4.

Notes: The same consultation procedures outlined in section 2.3.4 should be applied where amended plans are submitted prior to a **decision-maker** determining a proposed development that propose a material change to a development which would warrant consultation under section 2.3.2.

> **Decision-makers** may have consultation requirements under their **local planning framework** that are additional or different to those described above. It is recommended that discussions undertaken at pre-lodgement stage confirm the consultation requirements.

# 3.0 Local planning framework

### 3.1 Function of local planning frameworks

Local planning frameworks may amend or replace certain provisions of the R-Codes Volume 1. Decision-makers are encouraged to:

- i. maximise consistency of local planning frameworks with the R-Codes: and
- ii. consider the need for settings that respond to a specific need related to a locality or region, where this is consistent with the element objectives and design principles of the R-Codes.

Local planning framework instruments that may amend or replace provisions of the R-Codes include schemes. local planning policies, precinct structure plans and local development plans. The provisions of the R-Codes that may be amended or replaced by each type of local planning instrument (with or without WAPC approval) are identified below.

### 3.2 Ability of local planning frameworks to modify R-Codes

The decision-maker shall not adopt a local planning framework instrument that modifies the R-Codes Volume 1 except as provided for below and as outlined in Table 3.2a for Part B – Low Density Code and **Table 3.2b** for Part C – Medium Density Code.

### 3.2.1 Local planning policy to modify R-Codes

The R-Codes recognises that there are variations across the State in terms of **local character**, community requirements, climate and the environment. Local planning policies may be used to facilitate contextually appropriate design within a local government area.

A local government may adopt a **local planning policy** that amends or replaces a **deemed-to-comply** provisions of the R-Codes Volume 1 subject to satisfying sections 3.2.1a -3.2.1d and Tables 3.2a and 3.2b.

### 3.2.1a Local planning policy preparation

Where WAPC approval is not required under Table 3.2a or Table 3.2b, a local planning policy that proposes to amend or replace a **deemed-to-comply** provision should be prepared. advertised and adopted in accordance with Division 2 of Part 2 in Schedule 2 of the Regulations.

Where **WAPC** approval is required under **Table 3.2a** or **Table** 3.2b. a local planning policy that proposes to amend or replace a deemed-to-comply provision should be prepared in accordance with Division 2 of Part 2 in Schedule 2 of the Regulations and follow the procedures set out in sections 3.2.1b - 3.2.1d.

### 3.2.1b WAPC consideration

Prior to commencing advertising of the local planning policy. the local government shall provide the WAPC with a copy of the proposed local planning policy and a written statement detailing:

- the rationale for the proposed modification to the R-Codes Volume 1:
- ii. the extent to which the proposed modification meets criteria (i) – (iv) set out under section 3.4 WAPC approval:
- iii. any other matter the local government considers relevant

Within 21 days of receiving notification of the proposed local planning policy, the WAPC shall consider the proposal and accompanying statement, and advise the local government of any modification required to the local planning policy before it is advertised.

The **WAPC** must be satisfied that the proposed modification to the **deemed-to-comply** provision(s) is consistent with criteria (i) to (iv) set out under section 3.4 WAPC approval.

### 3.2.1c Advertising of draft local planning policy

A local government that has not received advice from the WAPC within 21 days of notifying the WAPC under section **3.2.1b** may advertise the **local planning policy** as if WAPC had provided advice that no modification is required.

Following completion of the advertising period, the local government is to provide the WAPC with a copy of the proposed policy, including any modifications made following the expiry of the submission period, before making a resolution under cl.4(3), part 2 of Schedule 2 of the Regulations.

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### 3.2.1d WAPC determination

The local government must not resolve to commence operation of the policy until approval of the **WAPC** has been granted under cl.4(3A), part 2 in Schedule 2 of the Regulations.

Within 42 days of receiving the proposed **local planning policy**, including any modifications made following the expiry of the submission period, the **WAPC** will determine whether to:

- i. advise the local government that it approves the local planning policy with no further modification; or
- advise the local government that it approves the local planning policy subject to minor specified modifications; or
- advise the local government that it does not approve the local planning policy without further modification being made.

Where the **WAPC** provides advice under (i) or (ii) above, the local government may resolve to proceed with the **local planning policy** and complete the requirements of cl.4, part 2 in Schedule 2 of the Regulations.

Where the WAPC provides advice under (iii) above, the local government may determine that the changes are major and re-advertise the local planning policy as though the WAPC had provided advice under provision 3.2.1b.

### 3.2.2 Precinct structure plans may modify R-Codes

A precinct structure plan may amend or replace a deemed-to-comply provision of the R-Codes in the circumstances provided for in Tables 3.2a and 3.2b.

Where a **precinct structure plan** proposes to amend or replace a **deemed-to-comply** provision of the R-Codes, the proponent shall include the following information, in addition to the requirements of cl. 16, part 4 of Schedule 2 of the Regulations:

- the rationale for the proposed modification to the R-Codes; and
- ii. extent to which the proposed modification meets criteria (i) (iv) set out under section 3.4 WAPC Approval.

### 3.2.3 Local development plans may modify R-Codes

**Local development plans** guide and coordinate **development** outcomes that are appropriate to **site** context and identified development opportunities and constraints. As an instrument to principally coordinate development, local development plans should not be used for the sole purpose of amending or replacing a **deemed-to-comply** provision(s) of the R-Codes.

**Local development plans** may amend or replace a **deemed-to-comply** provision of the R-Codes subject to satisfying sections **3.2.3a** – **3.2.3d** and **Tables 3.2a** and **3.2b**.

### 3.2.3a Local development plan preparation

A **local development plan** that proposes to amend or replace a **deemed-to-comply** provision of the R-Codes should be prepared in accordance with part 6, Schedule 2 of the Regulations.

Where **WAPC** approval is required in **Table 3.2a** or **Table 3.2b**, prior to commencing advertising, the **decision-maker** shall provide the WAPC with a copy of the proposed **local development plan** and a written statement detailing:

- the rationale for the proposed modification to the R-Codes Volume 1:
- ii. the extent to which the proposed modification meets criteria (i) – (iv) set out under section 3.4 WAPC approval; and
- iii. any other matter the local government considers relevant

### 3.2.3b WAPC consideration

Within 21-days of receiving notification of the proposed **local development plan**, the **WAPC** shall consider the proposal and accompanying statement, and advise the local government of any modification required to the local development plan before it is advertised.

The **WAPC** must be satisfied that the proposed modification to the **deemed-to-comply** provision(s) is consistent with criteria (i) to (iv) set out under section 3.4 WAPC approval.

### 3.2.3c Advertising of draft local development plan

A local government that has not received advice from the **WAPC** within 21-days of notifying the WAPC of the proposed **local development plan**, may advertise the local development plan as if the WAPC had provided advice that no modification is required.

### 3.2.3d WAPC determination

Within 42 days of receiving the proposed **local development plan**, including any modifications made to the local development plan following the expiry of the submission period, the **WAPC** will determine whether to:

- i. advise the local government that it approves the local development plan with no further modification; or
- advise the local government that it approves the local development plan subject to minor specified modifications; or
- advise the local government that it does not approve the local development plan without further modification being made.

Where the **WAPC** provides advice under (i) or (ii) above, the local government may resolve to proceed with the **local development plan** as provided for in cl.52, part 6 of Schedule 2 of the Regulations.

Where the **WAPC** provides advice under (iii) above, the local government may determine that the changes are major and re-advertise the **local development plan** as though the WAPC had provided advice under section **3.2.3b**.

A **local development plan** shall not come into effect until the approval of the **WAPC** has been granted in accordance with this provision.

**Table 3.2a** Scope of modifications by Local Planning Frameworks relating to Part B – Low Density Code

Part B - Low Density Code			Local planning framework instrument		
	Element	Clause reference	Precinct Structure Plan	Local Planning Policy	Local Development Plan
5.1.1	Site area	All clauses			
5.1.2	Street setback	All clauses			
5.1.3	Lot boundary	C3.1			
5.1.3	setback	C3.2 to C3.3			
5.1.4	Open space	All clauses			
5.1.5	Communal open space	All clauses			
5.1.6	Building height	All clauses			
5.2.1	Setback of garages and carports	All clauses			
5.2.2	Garage width	All clauses			
5.2.3	Street surveillance	All clauses			
5.2.4	Street walls and fences	All clauses			
5.2.5	Sight lines	All clauses			
5.2.6	Appearance of retained dwelling	All clauses			
5.3.1	Outdoor living areas	All clauses			
5.3.2	Landscaping	All clauses			
5.3.3	Parking	All clauses			
5.3.4	Design of car parking spaces	All clauses			
5.3.5	Vehicular access	All clauses			
5.3.6	Pedestrian access	All clauses			
5.3.7	Site works	All clauses			
5.3.8	Retaining walls	All clauses			
5.3.9	Stormwater management	All clauses			

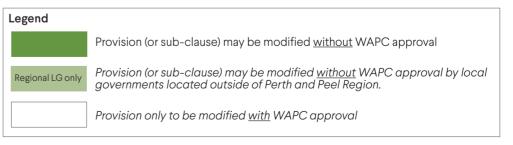
			Local planning framework instrument		
Element		Clause reference	Precinct Structure Plan	Local Planning Policy	Local Development Plan
5.4.1	Visual privacy	All clauses			
5.4.2	Solar access for adjoining sites	All clauses			
5.4.3	Outbuildings	All clauses			
5.4.4	External fixtures	All clauses			
5.5.1	Ancillary dwellings	All clauses			
5.5.2	Aged or dependent	C2.1 (i), (iii) – (vi), C2.2, C2.3			
	persons' dwellings	C2.1 (ii)			
5.5.3	Single Bedroom dwellings	All clauses			

Legend	
	Provision (or sub-clause) may be modified <u>without</u> WAPC approval
	Provision only to be modified <u>with</u> WAPC approval

Table 3.2b Scope of modifications by Local Planning Frameworks relating to Part C – Medium Density Code

Part C - Medium Density Code			Local planning framework instrument		
	Element	Clause reference	Precinct Structure Plan	Local Planning Policy	Local Development Plan
1.1	Site area	All clauses			
2.1	Primary garden area	All clauses			
2.2	Private open space	All clauses			
2.3	Trees, deep soil area and landscaping	All clauses		Regional LG only	
2.4	Communal open space	All clauses			
2.5	Water management and conservation	All clauses			
3.1	Primary living space	All clauses			
3.2	Solar access and	C3.2.1, C3.2.3 and C3.2.4 onlys		Regional LG only	
	natural ventilation	All other clauses			
3.3	Size and layout of dwellings	All clauses			
3.4	Daulia -	C3.4.3 only		Regional LG only	
3.4	Parking	All other clauses			
3.5	Storage	All clauses			
3.6	Waste management	All clauses			
3.7	External fixtures	All clauses			
3.8	Outbuildings	All clauses			
3.9	Universal design	All clauses			
3.10	Ancillary dwellings	All clauses			
3.11	Small dwellings	All clauses			
0.40	Aged and	C3.12.1(ii) only			
3.12 dependent po dwellings	dependent persons' dwellings	All other clauses			
3.13	Housing on lots less than 100m <sup>2</sup>	All clauses			

			Local planning framework instrument			
	Element	Clause reference	Precinct Structure Plan	Local Planning Policy	Local Development Plan	
4.1	Site cover	23.5 mm				
4.2	Building height	All clauses				
4.3	Lot boundary setbacks	All clauses				
4.4	Site works and retaining walls	All clauses		Regional LG only		
4.5	Streetscape	All clauses				
4.6	Street setbacks	All clauses				
	Vehicle and pedestrian access	C4.7.1 only				
4.7		C4.7.3 to C4.7.5 only		Regional LG only		
		All other clauses				
4.8	Communal streets	C4.8.4 only				
4.8	Communal streets	All other clauses				
4.9	Street fences	All clauses				
4.10	Retaining existing dwellings	All clauses				
4.11	Solar access for adjoining sites	All clauses				
4.12	Visual privacy	All clauses				



### 3.3 Planning schemes

**Local planning schemes** may introduce clauses that amend, replace or exclude any provision of the R-Codes as provided for in the Regulations.

A proposed planning **scheme** provision to amend, replace or otherwise modify any R-Code provision should be consistent with the objectives of the R-Codes in section 1.3 General Objectives of the R-Codes and have regard to the objectives of the relevant design elements.

### 3.4 WAPC approval

Where WAPC approval is required for a modification to a deemed-to-comply provision by means of a local planning policy, precinct structure plan or local development plan, it must be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the WAPC that the modification:

- is warranted due to a specific need identified by the decision-maker related to that particular locality or region;
- is consistent with the design element objectives and design principles of the R-Codes Volume 1:
- iii. is capable of being implemented through the local planning framework instrument; and
- iv. is consistent with orderly and proper planning.

### 3.5 Local planning framework transitional arrangements

### 3.5.1 Transitional arrangement for local planning policies

### 3.5.1a Local planning policy not requiring WAPC consent

A properly adopted local planning policy that became operational prior to gazettal of the R-Codes Volume 1 (XX-2021), and that amends or replaces a provision identified under Table 3.2a or Table 3.2b as not requiring WAPC consent to be modified, shall continue to have effect.

### 3.5.1b Local planning policy requiring WAPC consent

A local planning policy that amends or replaces a deemedto-comply provision that is identified as requiring WAPC consent under Table 3.2a or Table 3.2b, shall require the approval of the WAPC to remain operational after the gazettal date of the R-Codes Volume 1 (XX-2021). This approval shall be obtained by following the requirements of 3.5.1c.

### 3.5.1c Transitional local planning policy approval

Within three months of the gazettal date of the R-Codes Volume 1, the local government shall conduct an audit of its operational local planning policies that amend or replace a **deemed-to-comply** provision of the R-Codes Volume 1 and that require WAPC consent to amend or vary under section 3.5.1b and shall identify any local planning policy for which the approval of the WAPC has previously been obtained.

For each local planning policy audited, the local government shall recommend whether it proposes to:

- repeal the local planning policy and proceed to do so as provided for in cl.6, part 2 in Schedule 2 of the Regulations:
- amend the local planning policy as provided for in cl. 5, part 2 in Schedule 2 of the Regulations and identify whether or not the proposed amendment removes the requirement for WAPC consent: or
- iii. retain the local planning policy without amendment.

Within 21 days of forming the above recommendation, the local government shall report to the WAPC advising of its intentions for the **local planning policies** that are recommended to be amended (and require WAPC consent) or retained, and provide appropriate justification.

Within 60 days of receiving the local government report, the WAPC shall determine whether to support the local government recommendations, with or without amendment. and advise the local government accordingly. Where the WAPC is satisfied with the justification provided, an existing local planning policy that has previously received its approval may continue to operate for the period determined by the WAPC.

Within three months of receiving the WAPC advice, or a longer time agreed in writing by the WAPC, the local government shall carry out the WAPC advice in relation to its local planning policies.

A local planning policy that amends or replaces a deemedto-comply provision of the R-Codes and that requires WAPC consent under cl.3.5.1b. will cease to have effect if that local planning policy has not been granted WAPC consent within a period of 12 months from the gazettal date of the R-Codes, unless a longer time has been agreed in writing by the WAPC.

### 3.5.2 Transitional arrangements for structure plans and activity centre plans

### 3.5.2a Transitional arrangements for structure plans

A structure plan (now referred to as a standard structure plan) approved by the WAPC before the commencement day of the Regulations that varies a **deemed-to-comply** provision of the R-Codes Volume 1, shall continue to have effect until the expiration of the approval period for that structure plan.

### 3.5.2b Transitional arrangements for activity centre plans

A properly adopted activity centre plan (now referred to as a precinct structure plan) approved by the WAPC prior to the gazettal date the R-Codes Volume 1 (XX-2021) and that varies a deemed-to-comply provision of the R-Codes Volume 1, shall continue to have effect until the expiration of the approval period for that structure plan.

### 3.5.3 Transitional arrangements for local development plans

An adopted **local development plan** that came into effect prior to the gazettal date the R-Codes Volume 1 (XX-2021) and that varies a **deemed-to-comply** provision of the R-Codes Volume 1, shall continue to have effect until the expiration of the approval period for that local development plan.

# PARTB **Low Density Code**

For all single houses, grouped dwellings and multiple dwellings in areas coded less than R30, please refer to gazetted R-Codes Volume 1.

> It is intended that following finalisation and gazettal of Part C - Medium Density Code, the existing R-Codes Volume 1, Part 5 provisions and accompanying figures will be consolidated into Part B: Low Density Code; integrating the design standards for low and medium density housing into this single document.



# PART C **Medium Density Code**

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# 1.0 LAND

### **OBJECTIVES**

- **1A** To provide for a consistent and coordinated approach to residential built form and development.
- **1B** To ensure that **residential** development meets community expectations in regard to appearance, use and density.
- 1C To promote a range of lot sizes to support housing diversity and a variety of built form typologies.



1.1 Site area

# 1.1 Site area

**Table A** Site area requirements

		Site area per dwelling (m²)		
R-Code	Dwelling type	Site Category 1 (refer C1.1.2)	Site Category 2 (refer C1.1.3)	Site Category 3 (refer C1.1.4)
or residential	development in areas o	coded R25 and below, refer t		(0.0.2.0.0)
R30	Single house and Grouped dwelling	Min 260 Ave 300	Min 220 Ave 260	Min 180 Ave 220
	Multiple dwelling	Ave 300	Ave 260	Ave 220
R35	Single house and Grouped dwelling	Min 220 Ave 260	Min 180 Ave 220	Min 160 Ave 180
	Multiple dwelling	Ave 260	Ave 220	Ave 180
R40	Single house and Grouped dwelling	Min 180 Ave 220	Min 160 Ave 180	Min 120 Ave 150
	Multiple dwelling	Ave 115	Ave 100	Ave 85
R50	Single house and Grouped dwelling	Min 160 Ave 180	Min 120 Ave 150	Min 100 Ave 120
	Multiple dwelling	Ave 100	Ave 85	Ave 85
R60	Single house and Grouped dwelling	Min 120 Ave 150	Min 100 Ave 120	NA
	Multiple dwelling	Ave 85	NA	NA
R80	Single house and Grouped dwelling	Min 100 Ave 120	NA	NA
	Multiple dwelling	Refer R-Codes Vol. 2	NA	NA
R100	Single house and Grouped dwelling	Min 80 No ave applies	NA	NA
efer <b>C1.1.9</b> )	Multiple dwelling	Refer R-Codes Vol. 2	NA	NA

Notes: R80 site area requirements apply to all single house or grouped dwellings located on lots coded R100, R160 and R-AC, with the exception of lots that meet the criteria of **C.1.1.9**, which may apply R100 site area requirements.

# 1.1 Site area (cont.)

### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following **design** principles (P)

- **P1.1.1 Development** of the type and density indicated by the density code designated in the **scheme**.
- P1.1.2 The WAPC, in consultation with the local government, may approve the creation of a lot, survey-strata lot or strata lot of a lesser minimum and/or average site area than that specified in Table A provided that the proposed variation would be no more than five per cent less in area than that specified in Table A and will:
  - facilitate the protection of an environmental or heritage feature;
  - facilitate the retention of a significant element that contributes toward an existing streetscape worthy of retention;
  - iii. facilitate the **development** of lots with separate and sufficient **frontage** to more than one public **street**:
  - iv. overcome a special or unusual limitation on the development of the land imposed by its size, shape or other feature;
  - allow land to be developed with housing of the same type and form as land in the vicinity and which would not otherwise be able to be developed; or
  - vi. achieve specific objectives of the local planning framework.
- P1.1.3 The WAPC, in consultation with the local government, may approve the creation of a green title lot, survey-strata lot or strata lot for an existing authorised grouped dwelling or multiple dwelling development of a lesser minimum and average site area than that specified in Table A, where, in the opinion of the WAPC or the local government, the development on the resulting survey-strata or strata lots is consistent with the objectives of the relevant design elements of the R-Codes, and the orderly and proper planning of the locality.

### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

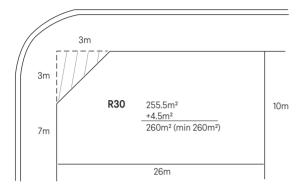
**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

### Minimum and average site area

- **C1.1.1 Development** which complies with the **dwelling** type and **site area** requirements set out in *Site Category 1, 2* or *3* of **Table A** and the following provisions.
- C1.1.2 All residential development is to comply with the minimum and average site area requirements for Site Category 1 of Table A unless the proposed development is eligible for Site Category 2 or 3 or as otherwise provided for in the scheme.
- **C1.1.3** Site Category 2 minimum and average site area requirements of **Table A** can be applied where:
  - i. the **development** is within *Location A*<sup>1</sup>;
  - ii. development is proposed on a:
    - a. corner lot or a through-lot;
    - mid-block lot with rear access to a public right-of-way with a constructed laneway;
    - c. lot with a minimum area of 1,200m² (which may be achieved through the amalgamation of two or more lots); and
  - iii. for single houses and grouped dwellings, all dwellings are to have a primary individual frontage to a public street.
- **C1.1.4** Site Category 3 minimum and average site area requirements of **Table A** can be applied where:
  - i. the **development** is within *Location A*<sup>1</sup>;
  - ii. development is proposed on a:
    - a. corner lot with a minimum of two street frontages; and
    - b. lot with a minimum area of 1,500m² (which may be achieved through the amalgamation of two or more lots);
  - iii. for single houses and grouped dwellings, all dwellings are to have a primary individual frontage to a public street; and

- iv. a **local development plan** has been approved by the local government that coordinates development and addresses the following:
  - a. building envelopes, including ground floor and upper floor setbacks, maximum building height, and boundary wall locations, length and height;
  - streetscape, pedestrian access, fencing, façade and front elevation treatments;
  - vehicle access and parking, including vehicle access points, and parking location and form:
  - d. landscaping including the location of primary garden areas, deep soil areas, provision of trees, and trees identified for retention; and
  - e. minimum development standards which shall include:
    - all dwellings to be a minimum two storeys;
    - all dwellings to exceed the minimum NATHERS requirement by 0.5 stars;
    - a minimum of 50% of dwellings to achieve the silver level universal design or above (refer C3.9.1); and
    - minimum ceiling height of 2.7m for all habitable rooms.

# 1.1 Site area (cont.)



Truncation area may be included refer C1.1.8i

Figure 1.1a Site area truncations

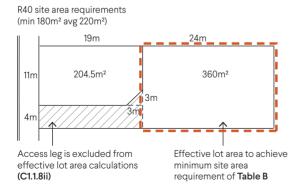


Figure 1.1b Effective lot area

### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

### Minimum and average site area (cont.)

Notes: Site Category 2 and 3 relates to minimum and average site area requirements only. All other development provisions of the allocated R-Code apply.

> For Site Category 3, amendments to deemed-to-comply through a local development plan are limited to elements identified in Table 3.2b of Part A. R-Codes Volume 1.

<sup>1</sup>LOCATION A includes all land located within:

- 800m of a train station on a high-frequency rail route, measured in a straight line from the pedestrian entry to the train station platform to any part of a **lot**:
- 250m of a high-frequency bus route, or multiple bus routes that if combined have timed stops every 15 minutes during weekday peak periods (7 – 9am and 5 – 7pm), measured in a straight line from along any part of the bus route to any part of the lot; and/or
- the defined boundaries of an activity centre.

**C1.1.5** For dual coded **development sites** that are eligible for Site Category 2 or 3, the minimum and average site area requirements of Table A shall apply to the lower density code applicable to that site.

### Calculation of minimum and average site areas

- C1.1.6 The minimum site area set out in Table A is calculated as follows:
  - i. in the case of a **single house**, the area of a **green** title lot or survey-strata lot;
  - ii. in the case of a grouped dwelling, the area of land occupied by the dwelling itself, together with all other areas whether contiguous or not, designated for the exclusive use of the occupants of that dwelling; or
  - iii. in the case of multiple dwellings in areas with a coding of R60 or less, the total area of the lot divided by the number of dwellings.

### Site area variations

- C1.1.7 Subject to C1.1.2 only, the following variations to the minimum and average site area set out in Table A may be made:
  - i. for an aged or dependent persons' dwelling or a small dwelling that is the subject of a development proposal in areas coded R50 or less, the Site Category 1 minimum and average site area may be reduced by up to 35%, in accordance with elements 3.11 and 3.12:
  - ii. in the case of a single house, grouped dwelling or multiple dwelling; the area of a lot, survey-strata lot or strata lot approved by the WAPC: or
  - iii. the area of any existing lot, survey-strata lot or strata lot with permanent legal access to a public road, notwithstanding that it is less than that required in Table A.
- C1.1.8 Notwithstanding, C1.1.1 to C1.1.5, the following adjustments to the minimum and average site areas set out in **Table A** apply:
  - i. in the case of a **lot** with a corner truncation to a public street, up to a maximum of 20m<sup>2</sup> of that truncation shall be added to the area of the adjoining lot, survey-strata lot or strata lot as the case may be (refer Figure 1.1a); or
  - ii. in the case of a **battleaxe lot**, the vehicle and/ or pedestrian access leg and associated truncations shall be excluded from the calculation of minimum site area to achieve an effective lot area consistent with the minimum site area required in Table A (refer Figure 1.1b).

# 1.1 Site area (cont.)

### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

### Lots less than 100m<sup>2</sup>

- C1.1.9 Lots may be created less than 100m<sup>2</sup> and to a minimum 80m<sup>2</sup> site area subject to the following criteria:
  - i. the lots are located in areas coded R100:
  - ii. an approved **local development plan** is in place for the **development** that is consistent with C3.13.1 and addresses the following:
    - a. building envelopes including ground floor and upper floor **setbacks**, maximum building height, boundary wall locations, length and height, and site cover;
    - b. floor and elevation plans;
    - c. **streetscape**, pedestrian access, fencing, façade and front elevation treatments;
    - d. landscaping including location of primary garden areas, deep soil areas, provision of trees, and trees identified for retention:
    - e. vehicle access and parking, including vehicle access points, parking location and form;
    - f. water management and water sensitive urban design mechanisms;
    - g. waste collection and location of services, utilities and fixtures:

- iii. the lots do not form the majority lot and development type in the same **street** block;
- iv. the lots are located in areas that have an approved structure plan in place prior to subdivision or development occurring; and
- v. the lots are in locations deemed appropriate for this form of development through the structure plan process.

Note: Amendments to **deemed-to-comply** through a local development plan are limited to elements identified in Table 3.2b of Part A. R-Codes Volume 1.

# 2.0 THE GARDEN

### **OBJECTIVES**

- **2A** To ensure **dwellings** are provided with outdoor **amenity** and an attractive outlook.
- **2B** To support tree retention and re-establishment of the urban tree canopy.
- 2C To enable sustainable house designs that reduce demand for powered heating and cooling systems by incorporating climate appropriate solar access and natural ventilation.
- **2D** To ensure that **landscape** design responds to the key natural features and landscape character of the location.
- To effectively manage stormwater, reducing potential for flooding and to reduce the impact of urban development on natural water flows and ecosystem health.



# 2.1 Primary garden area

### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

Development demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P2.1.1** Single house and grouped dwellings incorporate a primary garden area of sufficient size and dimensions to support:
  - i. the planting of trees and landscaping; and
  - ii. provision of a useable and functional outdoor space.
- **P2.1.2** A primary garden area is sited to respond to climatic conditions and allow for solar access and natural ventilation into the dwelling.

### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

Primary garden area – single houses and grouped dwellings only.

- C2.1.1 A single consolidated primary garden area provided for each dwelling in accordance with Table 2.1a.
- C2.1.2 In climate zones 4, 5 and 6, the primary garden area is located in the northern half of the site (refer Figure 2.1a). The primary garden area is to be located in the street setback area only where it is necessary to achieve this northern location.

Note: No orientation requirements apply to **primary** garden areas located in climate zones 1 and 3.

Table 2.1a Primary garden area requirements

Site area	Minimum primary garden area (per dwelling)	Minimum dimension
Less than 120m <sup>2</sup>	20 m²	3m
120-150m²	30m²	4m
Greater than 150 m <sup>2</sup>	40m²	4m
		6.1

Notes: **Deep soil area** may form part of the minimum primary garden area (refer Figure 2.1b)

Minimum dimension refers to the minimum length and width of all areas that contribute to the **primary garden area**.

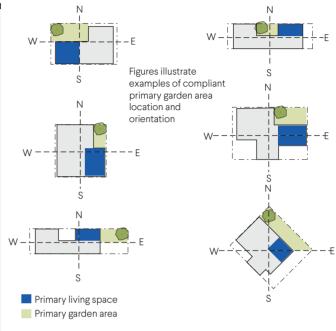


Figure 2.1a Location and orientation of primary garden area

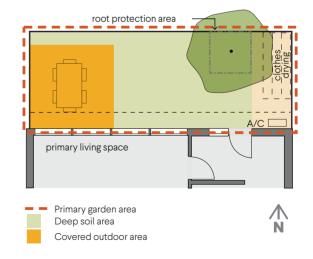


Figure 2.1b Primary garden area

# 2.2 Private open space

### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P2.2.1** Each multiple dwelling is designed to have direct access to private open space that is of sufficient size to be used by the intended number of dwelling occupants.
- P2.2.2 Private open space is sited, oriented and designed to enhance liveability for occupants, including climate appropriate consideration of solar access and natural ventilation.

### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

### Private open space - multiple dwellings only.

- C2.2.1 A minimum of one private open space area provided for the exclusive use of each multiple dwelling in accordance with Table 2.2a.
- C2.2.2 Balconies are to be unscreened for at least 25% of the total perimeter of the balcony (refer Figure 4.2a).

Note: Provisions of element 4.12 Visual privacy apply.

**Table 2.2a** Private open space requirements

Dwelling type	Minimum private open space area (per dwelling)	Minimum private open space dimension
Studio/ 1 bedroom	8m²	2.0m
2 bedrooms	10m²	2.4m
3 or more bedrooms	12m²	2.4m
Ground floor apartment	15m²	3.0m

Notes: When calculating the extent of **private open space**, exclude servicing areas such as bin storage, clothes drying, air conditioning units and the like.

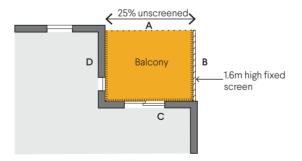
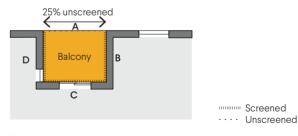


Figure 2.2a Extent of screening to private open space



Boundary perimeter length = A+B+C+D Minimum 25% of balcony perimeter to be unscreened Total balcony perimeter to include sides that abut building walls

# 2.3 Trees, deep soil area and landscaping

### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P2.3.1** Site planning allows for:
  - i. retention of existing trees on the subject site and adjoining properties; and
  - ii. site-responsive and sustainable landscape
- **P2.3.2** Provision of trees and high quality landscaping enhances:
  - i. the **streetscape** and pedestrian **amenity**;
  - ii. the built form:
  - iii. communal streets, parking and communal open spaces;
  - iv. the visual appeal and comfort of the development: and
  - v. the outlook from habitable rooms.
- P2.3.3 Development provides sufficient deep soil area to sustain healthy tree and plant growth, providing for an increase in tree canopy over time.
- P2.3.4 Where deep soil area cannot be achieved due to significant site constraints, development provides for adequate planting and landscaping on structures.

### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

### **Deep Soil Areas**

C2.3.1 Development to provide a minimum 20% of each site area and common property area (where applicable) as deep soil area, with the deep soil area to have a minimum dimension of 1.5m (refer Figure 2.3a).

> Note: Minimum dimension refers to the minimum length and width of all areas that contribute to the deep soil

- C2.3.2 Notwithstanding C2.3.1, where a development application is submitted for all grouped dwellings on the parent lot, the minimum deep soil area per site may be varied, provided that it can be demonstrated the total deep soil area allocated across the lot achieves 20% of the lot area.
- C2.3.3 All deep soil areas are to be landscaped, consisting of a range of groundcovers, shrubs and trees in accordance with a landscaping plan.
- C2.3.4 Impervious surfaces, including ground surface and roof cover, does not exceed 30% of each deep soil area and does not extend into the root protection areas required in Table 2.3b (refer Figure 2.3a and b).

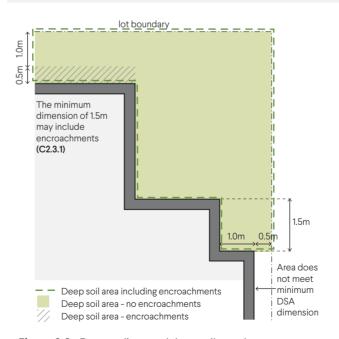


Figure 2.3a Deep soil area minimum dimensions

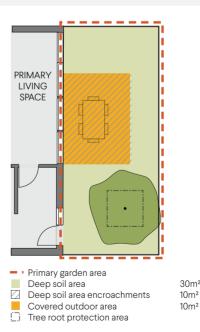


Figure 2.3b Encroachments into deep soil area

# 2.3 Trees, deep soil area and landscaping (cont.)

### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

### **Tree Canopy**

- **C2.3.5** A minimum number of trees and associated **root** protection areas to be provided in accordance with Tables 2.3a and b and to be planted in the deep soil area as follows:
  - i. for single houses or grouped dwellings, within the primary garden area; and
  - ii. for multiple dwellings, within a communal deep
- C2.3.6 In addition to the tree requirement of C2.3.5, the street setback area is to be landscaped, consisting
  - i. a maximum 50% impervious surfaces; and
  - ii. the minimum tree requirements in Table 2.3c.

- C2.3.7 For grouped and multiple dwellings, uncovered at-grade car parking to include shade trees planted at a minimum ratio of one tree for every four car spaces, with the total required number of trees to be rounded up to the nearest whole number.
- C2.3.8 Where a significant existing tree is retained on site the following concessions apply:
  - i. a minimum 15% of each site area and common property; or 15% of the lot is to be provided as deep soil area; and
  - ii. the **building alignment** of the **dwelling** may project into the street setback line a maximum of one metre, where the tree is located behind the street setback.

**Table 2.3a** Minimum tree requirements for single houses, grouped and multiple dwellings

Dwelling type		Minimum tree requirements	
Single houses and grouped dwellings (trees per dwelling)		1 small tree	
	Less than 700m <sup>2</sup>	1 medium and 2 small trees	
Multiple dwellings (trees per	700- 1000m <sup>2</sup>	2 medium trees OR 1 large tree and 2 small trees	
site)	Greater than 1000m²	1 large tree and 2 medium trees OR 1 large tree and 4 small trees	

**Table 2.3b** Tree size and minimum root protection area

Tree size	Canopy diameter at maturity	Tree height at maturity	Minimum root protection area
Small	2-6m	3-8m	1.5 x 1.5m
Medium	6-9m	8-12m	3 x 3m

**Table 2.3c** Street setback area tree requirements

Street Frontage	Minimum tree requirement in street setback area	
KS	No additional tree requirement	
6-10m	1 small tree	
11-20m	2 small trees	
21m+	3 small trees plus 1 tree for every additional 10m of frontage <sup>1</sup>	
	Frontage cs 6-10m 11-20m	

Notes: Street setback area tree requirements is in addition to the tree requirements of C2.3.5.

> <sup>1</sup> Number of required trees to be rounded up to the nearest whole number.

# 2.4 Communal open space

### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- P2.4.1 For grouped and multiple dwellings, communal open space provides:
  - i. quality landscaping, trees and deep soil areas;
  - ii. safe, accessible and high amenity spaces for social interaction:
  - iii. adequate space for the intended use and functionality of the space, proportionate to the number of occupants; and
  - iv. adequate measures to mitigate against adverse amenity impacts including visual, noise and odour.

### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

Communal open space - grouped and multiple dwellings only.

- C2.4.1 Communal open space provided in common property in accordance with Table 2.4a and to be accessible to all occupants of the development.
- **C2.4.2** 50% of the area of at least one **communal open** space receives direct sunlight for a minimum of two hours between 9am and 3pm on 21 June.
- C2.4.3 Communal open space is separated or screened from potential sources of noise and odour, such as bins, vents, air conditioning units, and vehicle circulation areas.

Table 2.4a Provision of communal open space for grouped and multiple dwellings

Development size	Minimum communal open space requirement	Minimum communal open space dimension	
Up to 10 dwellings	No requirement		
11 – 50 dwellings	6m² per dwelling	4m	
More than 50 dwellings	300m²	4m	
Notes: Communal open space can be co-located with deep			

soil areas.

# 2.5 Water management and conservation

### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- P2.5.1 Flooding risk is reduced to limit the impact of major rainfall events.
- P2.5.2 Stormwater is managed on-site wherever possible either by containment or infiltration, as permitted by the soil and other site conditions, or otherwise appropriately managed prior to off-site discharge.
- **P2.5.3** Development incorporates water sensitive urban design mechanisms, including site appropriate stormwater collection, retention, treatment and reuse.

### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

- C2.5.1 All water draining from roofs, driveways, communal streets and other impervious surfaces to be retained on site, with run-off directed to garden areas, rainwater tanks and soakwells, appropriate to climatic, local soil and groundwater conditions.
- C2.5.2 Notwithstanding C2.5.1, stormwater may be directed to a district or local stormwater drainage system where required by the decision-maker due to climatic, local soil or groundwater conditions.

# 3.0 THE BUILDING

### **OBJECTIVES**

- **3A** To promote the **development** of a range of housing options to suit the needs of the community.
- **3B** To optimise comfortable living, natural ventilation and access to sunlight and solar energy to facilitate sustainable housing with particular regard for place and local climatic conditions.
- **3C** To ensure **dwellings** have adequately sized rooms and functional **storage** space.
- **3D** To support provision of well-considered and designed car parking that is appropriate to the location and that minimises the impact on the **development** and **streetscape**.
- **3E** To ensure ancillary structures and service areas are appropriately designed, located and integrated into the development.



### **INDOOR AMENITY**

- 3.1 Primary living space
- 3.2 Solar access and natural ventilation
- 3.3 Size and layout of dwellings

### **FUNCTION**

- 3.4 Parking
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- 3.8 Outbuildings

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- 3.9 Universal design
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- 3.13 Housing on lots less than 100m<sup>2</sup>

### **Indoor amenity**

# 3.1 Primary living space

### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P3.1.1** Dwellings have a primary living space that is proportionate to the type and size of the dwelling and intended number of occupants.
- **P3.1.2** The **primary living space** has a relationship with the primary garden area, private open space and/ or public open space.
- **P3.1.3** The primary living space addresses environmental design principles; incorporating passive solar heating, daylighting, passive cooling and shading appropriate for the climate.

### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

### Size and location

**C3.1.1** Each **dwelling** is to have one designated **primary** living space with a minimum internal dimension of 4m (refer also C3.3.2 and Table 3.3b).

> Note: Minimum dimension refers to the minimum length and width of all areas that contribute to the primary living space.

- C3.1.2 For single house and grouped dwellings:
  - i. where the **primary living space** is provided on the ground floor, it is to have direct physical and visual access to the primary garden area; or
  - ii. where the primary living space is provided on an upper floor, it is to have direct physical and visual access to a **private open space** area (such as a balcony or rooftop terrace) of a minimum dimension of 2.4m.

- C3.1.3 For multiple dwellings, the primary living space is to have direct access to private open space that satisfies the minimum area and dimension requirements of Table 2.2a.
- C3.1.4 The maximum depth of a single aspect primary living space shall be three times (3x) the ceiling height (refer Figure 3.1a).

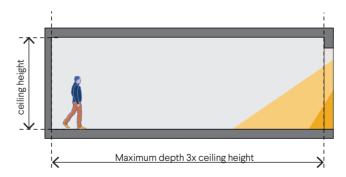


Figure 3.1a Single aspect primary living space depth and ceiling

### **Indoor amenity**

## 3.2 Solar access and natural ventilation

### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

P3.2.1 Dwellings optimise solar access and natural ventilation to habitable rooms, to facilitate sustainable design that is responsive to site and local climatic conditions.

### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

### Solar access for dwellings

- C3.2.1 Every habitable room has at least one external window, visible from all parts of the room, with an aggregate glazed area not less than 10% of the habitable room floor area and comprising a minimum of 50 per cent of transparent glazing (refer Figure, 3.2a).
- C3.2.2 Where a lightwell or courtyard is the primary source of daylight to a habitable room, the lightwell or courtyard shall have a height to width ratio of not more than 2:1.

C3.2.3 In climate zones 4, 5, and 6, the primary living space of all single houses and grouped dwellings, and at least 70% of dwellings within a multiple dwelling development, have a major opening orientated between north and east (refer Figure. 3.2b) that can access at least 2 hours direct sunlight between 9am and 3pm on 21 June.

Note: No orientation requirements apply to primary living areas located in climate zones 1 and 3.

- **C3.2.4** Horizontal shading devices such as eaves, window hoods or fins are to be provided:
  - i. in **climate zones** 4, 5 and 6, to north facing windows to a depth of 600mm; and
  - ii. in climate zones 1 and 3, to all windows to a depth of 900mm (refer **Figure 3.2c**).

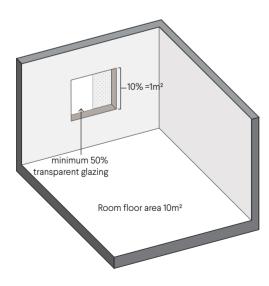


Figure 3.2a External windows to habitable rooms

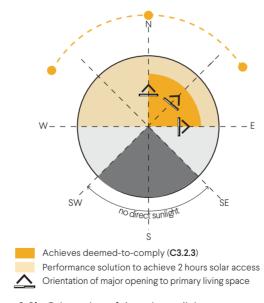
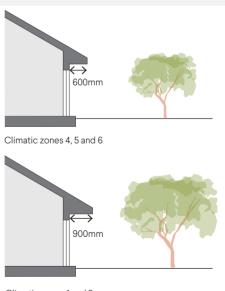


Figure 3.2b Orientation of the primary living space



Climatic zones 1 and 3

Figure 3.2c Shading to north facing primary living area windows

### **Indoor amenity**

# 3.2 Solar access and natural ventilation (cont.)

### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

### **Natural ventilation**

C3.2.5 Habitable rooms have at least two openings to allow for natural ventilation, with at least one being on an external wall, and separated by a straight-line distance of at least 2m from a second opening, with the distance to be measured from the centre of each opening (refer Figure 3.2d).

C3.2.6 Bathrooms located on external walls (excluding boundary walls) must have a minimum of one openable window for natural ventilation.

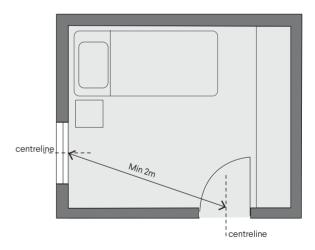


Figure 3.2d Measuring the distance between openings

#### **Indoor amenity**

# 3.3 Size and layout of dwellings

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- P3.3.1 The size and layout of dwellings is functional and allows for flexible use, appropriate to the expected future household size.
- **P3.3.2** The arrangement and layout of rooms minimises circulation space and long corridors and provides functional, efficient, high amenity spaces.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

Development satisfies the following deemed-to-comply requirements (C)

- C3.3.1 Minimum internal dwelling floor areas are provided in accordance with Table 3.3a.
- C3.3.2 Minimum habitable room floor areas are provided in accordance with Table 3.3b.
- C3.3.3 Spaces within a dwelling for the exclusive purpose of circulation, such as hallways, corridors, stairs and internal entries, shall not exceed 10% of the internal dwelling floor area.

**Table 3.3a** Minimum internal dwelling floor areas

Dwelling type	Minimum internal floor area	
Studio	36m²	
1 bed	47m²	
2 bed x 1 bath <sup>1</sup>	67m²	
3 bed x 1 bath <sup>1</sup>	90m²	

Notes: <sup>1</sup>An additional 3m<sup>2</sup> shall be provided for designs that include a second or separate toilet, and 5m<sup>2</sup> for designs that include a second bathroom.

**Table 3.3b** Minimum floor areas and dimension for habitable rooms

Habitable room type	Minimum internal floor area	Minimum internal dimension
Bedrooms	9m²	2.7m*
Primary living space	N/A	4m

Notes: Minimum dimension refers to the minimum length and width of all areas of the habitable room.

<sup>\*</sup> Minimum dimension excludes built-in robes

# 3.4 Parking

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P3.4.1** Siting and the extent of parking does not dominate the development or streetscape.
- **P3.4.2** The location of parking responds to the context and local character of the intended streetscape and contributes to a unified design response by:
  - i. incorporating high-quality landscaping to reduce visual impact;
  - ii. minimising the extent of paving for parking and vehicle access: and
  - iii. supporting efficient use of the site.
- **P3.4.3** Adequate parking is provided for various modes of transport, including bicycles, motorcycles, scooters and cars, that has regard to the following considerations:
  - i. the proximity of the proposed development to public transport and other facilities;
  - ii. the type, size and number of dwellings; and
  - iii. the availability of on-street and other off-street parking.
- P3.4.4 Parking spaces are designed for flexibility and adaptability having regard for:
  - i. the needs of occupants, including consideration to universally accessible parking spaces; and
  - ii. spaces that can be used for multiple purposes including additional courtyard space.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

#### Occupant parking - car, bicycle and motorcycle/scooter

- C3.4.1 Occupant car and bicycle parking is provided on-site and in accordance with Table 3.4a and Table 3.4b.
- C3.4.2 Multiple dwelling development of 20 or more dwellings to provide one motorcycle/scooter space on-site for every 10 car parking spaces.
- C3.4.3 Car spaces and manoeuvring areas designed and provided in accordance with AS2890.1 (as amended).

#### Visitor parking – applicable to grouped and multiple dwellings only

- C3.4.4 Visitor car and visitor bicycle parking for grouped and multiple dwellings provided on-site and in accordance with Table 3.4c.
- C3.4.5 A maximum two visitor car parking spaces are permitted in the primary street setback area.
- C3.4.6 Visitor car parking spaces to be:
  - i. marked and clearly signposted as dedicated for visitor use only:
  - ii. located on **common property**;
  - iii. located outside any security barrier to be accessible to visitors at all time: and
  - iv. connected to dwelling entries via a continuous path of travel.

# 3.4 Parking (cont.)

**Table 3.4a** Minimum and maximum car parking standards

LOCA	TION A	Studio and 1 bedroom dwelling	2 bedroom dwelling	3 or more bedroom dwelling	Ancillary dwelling
Minimum required parking (space per dwelling)		0	0	0	0
Maximum parking	Garage parking	1	11	2	
permitted (space per dwelling)	Carport, uncovered or basement parking	No maximum parking spaces apply			1
LOCATION B		Otro d'anno d		0	
LOCA	TION B	Studio and 1 bedroom dwelling	2 bedroom dwelling	3 or more bedroom dwelling	Ancillary dwelling
LOCA  Minimum required pa (space per dwelling)		1 bedroom		bedroom	Ancillary dwelling
Minimum required pa		1 bedroom		bedroom dwelling	Ancillary dwelling

Notes: Tree requirements apply for uncovered at-grade car parking areas (grouped and multiple dwellings), refer C2.3.7.

<sup>1</sup>A double **garage** is permitted where accessed from a **right-of-way**.

**LOCATION A** – includes all land located within:

- 800m of a train station on a high-frequency rail route, measured in a straight line from the pedestrian entry to the train station platform to any part of a **lot**;
- 250m of a high-frequency bus route, or multiple bus routes that if combined have timed stops every 15 minutes during weekday peak periods (7 - 9am and 5 - 7pm), measured in a straight line from along any part of the bus route to any part of the lot; and/or
- the defined boundaries of an activity centre.

LOCATION B - includes all land that is not within Location A.

**Table 3.4b** Minimum bicycle parking standards

		Minimum number of bicycle spaces	
		(per dwelling)	
Single house and grouped dwelling		1 per dwelling	
Multiple dwelling		0.5 x the total number of dwellings	
Notes:	fraction of	e bicycle parking calculation results in a of a space, the requirement is to be rounded nearest whole number.	
		cycle parking for 13 <b>multiple dwellings</b> is 13 x 0.5 which equates to 7 bicycle spaces.)	

**Table 3.4c** Minimum visitor parking standards

	Minimum number o visitor spaces (per dwelling)		
Visitor	0 - 4 dwellings	No visitor bays required	
parking	5 or more dwellings	0.2 x the total number of dwellings	
Visitor	0 – 9 dwellings	No visitor bays required	
bicycle parking	10 or more dwellings	0.1 x the total number of dwellings	
fi	Where the visitor parking calculation results in a fraction of a space, the requirement is to be rounded up to the nearest whole number.		
	(i.e. visitor car parking for 6 <b>dwellings</b> is 6 x 0.2 = 1.2 which equates to 2 visitor parking spaces.)		

### 3.5 Storage

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

**P3.5.1** Each **dwelling** provides adequate, conveniently located storage for large items, proportionate to the size of the dwelling and intended number of occupants.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

C3.5.1 Each dwelling has exclusive use of a weatherproof storage area in accordance with Table 3.5a, that is accessible from outside the dwelling via an outward opening, lockable door (refer Figure 3.5a).

Table 3.5a Storage requirements

Dwelling type	Minimum storage area	Minimum storage area dimension	Minimum storage area height
Studio/ 1 bedroom dwelling	3m²	1.5m	2.1m
2 + bedroom dwelling	4m²		

Notes: The area required for **storage** can be met by colocating a dedicated area with a **garage** or **carport** (refer Figure 3.5b).

> Minimum dimension refers to the minimum length and width of the **storage** area.

> Dimensions and areas are exclusive of services, plant. utilities, and fixtures and facilities.

> Minimum **storage** area dimension can be reduced to 0.8m where it can be demonstrated that the adjacent circulation space achieves 0.9m clearance and the minimum required storage area is still achieved (refer Figures 3.5a and b).

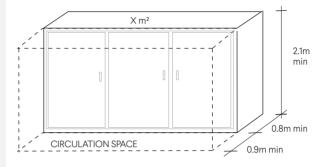


Figure 3.5a Minimum storage dimensions

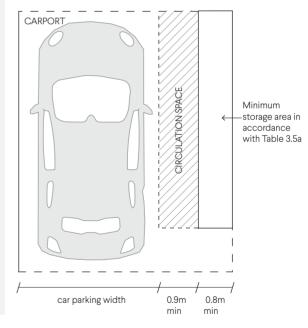


Figure 3.5b Minimum storage dimensions with adjacent circulation space

### 3.6 Waste Management

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- P3.6.1 Sufficient space is provided to accommodate waste storage.
- P3.6.2 Waste management facilities are located and screened to minimise negative impacts on the streetscape, building entries and the local amenity.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

- **C3.6.1** An accessible space is provided to accommodate the required number and type of waste storage bins for the **development**, in line with requirements of the local government.
- C3.6.2 Waste storage bins are screened from view from the **street**, public open space, and other areas accessible to the public.

### 3.7 External fixtures

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P3.7.1** External fixtures are located to support maximum functionality and to minimise noise, heat transfer and air quality impacts on habitable rooms and private open space.
- **P3.7.2** The site is serviced with essential service utilities that address access, maintenance and safety considerations.
- P3.7.3 Essential service utilities within the street setback area balance operational requirements with the need to minimise the visual impact on the streetscape.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

- **C3.7.1** Essential service utilities are located such that they:
  - i. are accessible and can be safely maintained;
  - ii. maintain clear sightlines for vehicle access; and
  - iii. minimise the visual impact on the streetscape.

#### C3.7.2 Functional utilities:

- i. are not visible from the primary street;
- ii. are designed to integrate with the development:
- iii. are located and/or screened so that they are not visually obtrusive and minimise the impact of noise sources to habitable rooms and private open space both on the development site and adjoining properties; and
- iv. exclude television antennae of the standard type, essential plumbing vents above the roof line and external roof-water down pipes.

- **C3.7.3** Functional utilities are not to be located in the private open space, unless integrated into the design of the **development** and/or **screened** from
- C3.7.4 Sustainability infrastructure and functional utilities do not need to be screened and are to be located to prioritise functional performance.
- C3.7.5 Where required by the NCC, fire service infrastructure is located to be visible and for unobstructed access for its required use during an emergency.

## 3.8 Outbuildings

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- P3.8.1 Outbuildings do not negatively impact on the visual amenity of the streetscape or for residents of the development and neighbouring properties.
- P3.8.2 Siting of outbuildings do not compromise deep soil areas and site cover requirements.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

#### **C3.8.1** An **outbuilding** that:

- i. is limited to one outbuilding per dwelling site;
- ii. has no more than two boundary walls;
- iii. does not exceed 10m<sup>2</sup> in area;
- iv. does not exceed a wall and ridge height of 2.7m;
- v. is not located within the primary or secondary street setback area:
- vi. does not exceed the maximum allowable site cover in accordance with C4.1.1; and
- vii. does not reduce the minimum deep soil area required in accordance with C2.3.1.

Notes: Outbuildings on lot boundaries are excluded from the maximum boundary wall calculations of C4.3.5 - C4.3.8, where they comply with C3.8.1.

> Outbuildings will need to comply with the NCC requirements, including but not limited to fire separation and non-combustible materials.

# 3.9 Universal design

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

P3.9.1 Development provides universal housing design or adaptable dwellings that are proportionate in number to the size of the development and intended occupancy.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

Development satisfies the following deemed-to-comply requirements (C)

Universal design – applies to grouped and multiple dwellings only

C3.9.1 For grouped and multiple dwellings, dwellings comply with the requirements of Table 3.9a.

**Table 3.9a** Universal design requirements

Number of dwellings per lot	Silver or gold level	Platinum level
1-4 dwellings	No minimum	requirement
5 – 9 dwellings	Minimum 1 dwelling	No minimum requirement
10 or more dwellings	Minimum 20% of all dwellings <sup>1</sup>	Minimum 5% of all dwellings <sup>1</sup>

Notes: Silver, Gold and Platinum Level requirements are as defined in the Livable Housing Design Guidelines (Livable Housing Australia).

> <sup>1</sup> Where calculations result in a fraction of a **dwelling**, the requirement is to be rounded up to the nearest whole number.

# 3.10 Ancillary dwellings

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

P3.10.1 Ancillary dwellings allow for diversity of housing without having an adverse impact on the amenity

- adjoining properties; and
- ii. streetscape and local character.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

#### Ancillary dwellings - applies to single and multiple dwellings only

C3.10.1 An ancillary dwelling in accordance with Table **3.10a**, provided that it:

- i. does not exceed a maximum of one ancillary dwelling per **lot**;
- ii. does not exceed a maximum internal dwelling floor area of 70m<sup>2</sup>:
- iii. does not reduce the minimum deep soil area required in accordance with C2.3.1; and
- iv. complies with all other provisions of the R-Codes, with the exception of:
  - 1.1 Site area
  - 2.1 Primary garden area
  - 2.3 Trees, deep soil area and landscaping
  - 2.4 Communal open space
  - 2.5 Water management and conservation
  - 3.1 Primary living space
  - 3.3 Size and layout of dwellings
  - 3.5 Storage
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  - 3.11 Small dwellings
  - 3.12 Aged and dependent persons' dwellings
  - 4.7 Vehicle and pedestrian access
  - 4.8 Communal streets
  - 4.10 Retaining existing dwellings

Table 3.10a Ancillary dwelling types

	Ancillary dwelling	
Single house	All types of ancillary dwellings	
Grouped dwelling	No ancillary dwellings permitted	
Multiple dwelling	Dual key dwelling only	

# 3.11 Small dwellings

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P3.11.1** Alternative and affordable housing options are provided for small households where it can be demonstrated that the development:
  - i. is located in an area that has good access to public transport, public open space, local retailing, and other community infrastructure;
  - ii. responds to a demand for small dwellings in the locality which may be recognised in the local planning framework; and
  - iii. is consistent with the existing and/or future intended streetscape and local character.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

#### Small Dwellings - applies to single houses and grouped dwellings only

C3.11.1 Small dwellings shall comply with the following:

- i. a maximum internal **dwelling floor area** of 70m<sup>2</sup>;
- ii. parking provided in accordance with Table 3.4a; and
- iii. all other provisions of the R-Codes, including Table B.

Note: **Small dwelling** concessions only apply to Site Category 1 site areas, refer to C1.1.7(i).

# 3.12 Aged or dependent persons' dwellings

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- P3.12.1 Aged or dependent persons' dwellings for the housing of aged or dependent persons designed to meet the needs of aged or dependent persons and:
  - i. reduces car dependence, i.e. is located close to public transport and services;
  - ii. has due regard to the topography of the locality in which the **site** is located in respect to access and mobility:
  - iii. has due regard to the availability of community facilities including parks and open space;
  - iv. does not impinge upon neighbour amenity; and
  - v. responds to a demand for aged or dependent persons' accommodation in the locality which may be recognised in the local planning framework

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

- C3.12.1 Aged or dependent persons' dwellings for the housing of aged or dependent persons shall comply with the following:
  - i. a maximum internal dwelling **floor area** of:
    - a. in the case of single houses or grouped dwellings - 100m<sup>2</sup>; or
    - b. in the case of multiple dwellings 80m<sup>2</sup>;
  - ii. a minimum number of five dwellings within any single development:
  - iii. parking (including visitor parking) to be provided in accordance with Tables 3.4a and 3.4c:
  - iv. the first visitors' car space being a universally accessible car parking space and a minimum width of 3.8m in accordance with AS4299, clause 3.7.1 (as amended); and
  - v. comply with all other provisions of the R-Codes, including Table B.
- C3.12.2 All ground floor units, with a preference for all dwellings, to incorporate, as a minimum, the following:
  - i. a universally accessible path of travel from the street frontage, car parking area or drop-off point in accordance with the requirements of AS4299, clause 3.3.2 (as amended); and
  - ii. level entry to the front entry door with preferably all external doors having level entries (diagrams, Figure C1 of AS4299 [as amended]).

- C3.12.3 All dwellings to incorporate, as a minimum, the following:
  - i. all external and internal doors to provide a minimum 820mm clear opening (AS4299 clause 4.3.3 (as amended)):
  - ii. internal corridors to be a minimum 1000mm wide, with width to be increased to a minimum of 1200mm in corridors with openings on side walls:
  - iii. a visitable toilet (AS4299, clause 1.4.12 [as amended]), preferably located within a bathroom; and
  - iv. toilet and toilet approach doors to have a minimum 250mm nib wall on the door handle side of the door and provision for the installation of grab rails in accordance with AS4299, clause 4.4.4 (h) (as amended).
- C3.12.4 At least one occupant is a person with a disability or physically dependent person or aged person, or is the surviving spouse of such a person, and the owner of the land, as a condition of **development** approval, lodging a section 70A notification (Transfer of Land Act 1893) on the certificate of title binding the owner, their heirs and successors in title requiring that this occupancy restriction be maintained.

Note: Refer to C1.1.7(i) for site area concessions for aged and dependent persons' dwellings.

# 3.13 Housing on lots less than 100m<sup>2</sup>

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P3.13.1** Single houses on lots less than 100m<sup>2</sup> are integrated with the streetscape and surrounding development and do not form the predominant housing type in a street.
- P3.13.2 Single houses on lots less than 100m<sup>2</sup> are located in high amenity areas with good access to public transport, local retailing, public open space and other community infrastructure.
- **P3.13.3 Single houses** on **lots** less than 100m<sup>2</sup> respond to a demonstrable need for greater housing diversity and affordable housing options in the locality.
- P3.13.4 Single houses on lots less than 100m<sup>2</sup> are designed to a high standard to contribute to the desired **streetscape** character and do not adversely impact the amenity of adjoining properties.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

#### Housing on lots less than 100m<sup>2</sup> - applies to single houses only

C13.3.1 Single houses on lots less than 100m<sup>2</sup> in accordance with C1.1.9, are to comply with the following:

- i. dwellings to front a primary or secondary street (excluding a right-of-way);
- ii. a minimum of two dwellings to be constructed concurrently within any single development;
- iii. all provisions of the R-Codes and the R100 coding of Table B to apply, subject to the modifications in Table 3.13a.

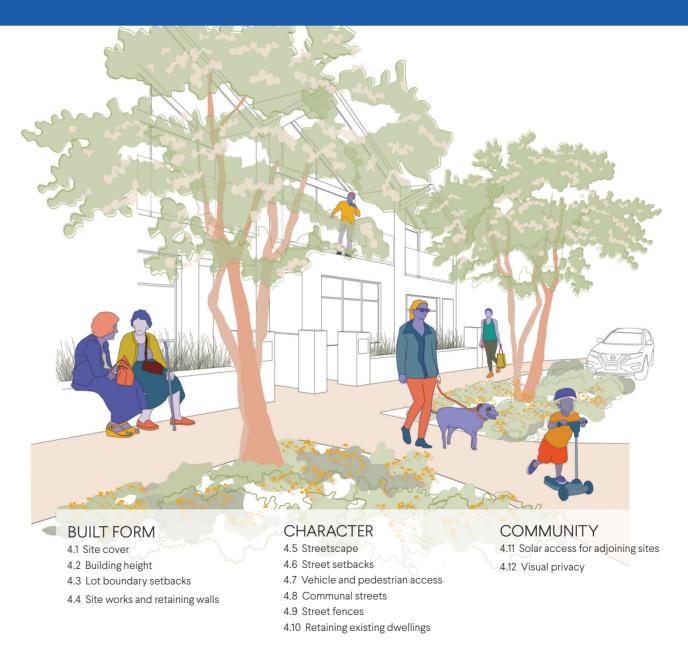
Table 3.13a Modified provisions for single houses on lots less than 100m<sup>2</sup>

R-Code Element	Modified provision	
2.2 Private open space	<b>Dwellings</b> to provide a minimum 16m <sup>2</sup> <b>private open space</b> with a minimum dimension of 2.4m.	
2.3 Trees, deep soil area and landscaping	A minimum of 15% of the <b>site</b> to be provided as <b>deep soil area</b> , with a minimum dimension of 1.5m.	
4.2 Building height	Minimum two storey building height.	
4.3 Lot boundary setbacks	Where a rear lot boundary of a proposed development abuts an adjoining property not within the plan of subdivision/local development plan, rear boundary walls are not permitted, and development must apply the relevant loboundary setback requirements of C4.3.1 and Table B.	
4.6 Street setbacks	Nil street setback for upper floor private open space.	
4.9 Street fences	Street fences to not exceed 900mm in height.	

# 4.0 NEIGHBOURLINESS

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- 4A To deliver amenity and liveability for occupants of new development and adjoining properties, with regard to sunlight, solar access, natural ventilation and visual privacy.
- 4B To ensure that development is appropriately scaled, particularly in respect to building bulk and height, and is sympathetic to the scale of the street and surrounding buildings, or for precincts undergoing a transition, the desired future character of the area as identified in the local planning framework.
- **4C** To contribute to place responsive, attractive **streetscapes**.
- To ensure that safe, legible access is provided to **dwellings** for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles.



### 4.1 Site cover

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P4.1.1** The **site cove**r of the **development** is suitable for its context to:
  - i. be compatible with the existing and/or desired streetscape and local character;
  - ii. ensure adequate solar access and natural ventilation into the dwelling:
  - iii. achieve appropriate building bulk on the site, consistent with the intent of the applicable density code and/or as outlined in the local planning framework;
  - iv. ensure sufficient outdoor space for landscaping including trees and deep soil areas; and
  - v. provide opportunities for residents to use space external to the dwelling for outdoor pursuits and access within and around the site.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

Development satisfies the following deemed-to-comply requirements (C)

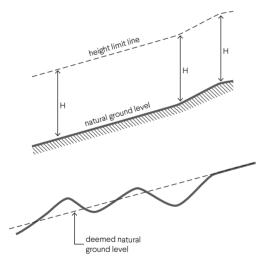
- **C4.1.1** Development on each site does not exceed the maximum site cover percentages of Table B.
- C4.1.2 Notwithstanding C4.1.1, where a development application is submitted for all grouped dwellings on the parent lot, the maximum site cover per site may be varied, provided that it can be demonstrated the maximum site cover percentage of Table B is not exceeded across the combined sites (excluding any common property).

# 4.2 Building height

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- P4.2.1 Building height, bulk and scale is appropriate for the existing and/or desired future streetscape and local character of the area and nearby development.
- **P4.2.2** Building height is considerate of the impact on the amenity of adjoining properties and, where appropriate, maintain adequate solar access into indoor and outdoor active habitable space and solar collectors.



The height of a building is taken as the highest point at any part of the development immediately above natural ground level. Where natural ground level varies across the site, deemed natural ground level is to be used.

Figure 4.2a Measuring building height and natural ground level

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following deemed-to-comply requirements (C)

C4.2.1 Building height complies with Table B and Table

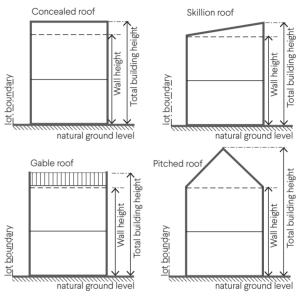
Table 4.2a Storey height in metres

Number	Maximum	Maximum to hei	otal building ght
of storeys	wall height	Concealed, gable or skillion roof	Pitched or hipped roof
1	3.5m	5m	7m
2	7m	8m	10m
3	9m	10m	12m
4	12m	13m	15m

Notes: Refer Figure 4.2a for building height and natural ground level measurement guidance.

> Refer Figure 4.2b for wall height and total building height guidance.

Once maximum wall or building height for a nominated **storey** is exceeded, the additional height will be counted as an additional storey for the purpose of calculating lot boundary setbacks. Refer to Element 4.3 Lot boundary setbacks.



Two storey example for wall and building height

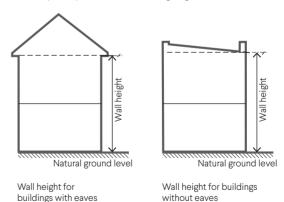


Figure 4.2b Measurement of wall height and total building

## 4.3 Lot boundary setbacks

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

Development demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P4.3.1** Lot boundary setbacks reinforce the location's streetscape character and are consistent with the existing or desired built form local character.
- **P4.3.2** The **setback** of **development** from **lot boundaries** provides a transition between **sites** with different land uses or intensity of development.
- **P4.3.3** Buildings are set back from lot boundaries or adjacent buildings on the same lot to:
  - i. provide adequate solar access and natural ventilation to the building and open spaces on the site and adjoining properties; and
  - address the potential for overlooking and resultant loss of privacy on adjoining properties.
- **P4.3.4 Buildings** are built up to **lot boundaries** to:
  - i. make more effective use of space for primary garden areas and/or private open space;
  - ii. maintain adequate solar access to adjoining properties; and
  - positively contribute to the prevailing or future development context and streetscape as outlined in the local planning framework.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

#### Lot boundary setbacks

- C4.3.1 Buildings are set back from lot boundaries, adjoining rights-of-way, pedestrian access ways, communal streets and battleaxe lot access legs in accordance with Table B (refer Figure 4.3a).
- C4.3.2 Notwithstanding C4.3.1:
  - i. for carports, patios, verandahs or equivalent structures the lot boundary setbacks prescribed in Table B may be reduced to nil to the posts where less than 10m in length and 2.7m in height, where the carport, patio, verandah or equivalent structure is located behind the primary street setback and where the eave, gutter and roof are set back at least 450mm from the lot boundary; and
  - ii. minor projections, such as chimneys, eaves, window hoods and other architectural features, are acceptable provided they do not project more than 0.75m into the lot boundary setback.

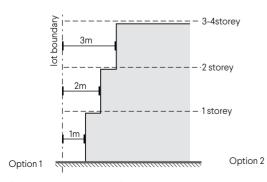
**C4.3.3** The second **storey** of **walls** shall be set back in accordance with **Table B** for a maximum wall length of 14m.

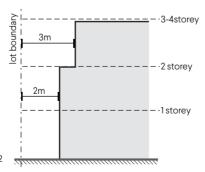
For a portion of wall exceeding 14m in length:

- i. the wall is to be set back 3m from the **lot boundary** for the remainder of its length; or
- contain a minimum 3m x 3m separation measured from the lot boundary (Refer Figure 4.3b).
- **C4.3.4** Separate grouped or multiple dwelling buildings on the same lot, or facing portions of the same multiple dwelling building, are to be set back from each other as though there is a lot boundary between them.

Notes: Carport, patio, verandah or equivalent structures will need to comply with the NCC requirements, including but not limited to fire separation and non-combustible materials.

Pillars and posts that with a horizontal dimension of 450mm by 450mm, or less, do not constitute a **wall** built up to a **lot boundary**.





Both Option 1 and 2 of Figure 4.3a meet C4.3.1

Option 1 - meets the minimum setbacks for each level.

Option 2 - first and second storeys meet the setback for the second storey, with the third storey meeting the setback for the third level.

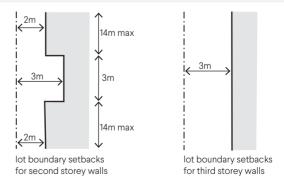


Figure 4.3b Two and three storey wall setbacks

Figure 4.3a Lot boundary setbacks

# 4.3 Lot boundary setbacks (cont.)

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

#### **Boundary walls**

- C4.3.5 Boundary walls must satisfy the requirements of Boundary Wall Types A, B or C.
- C4.3.6 Boundary Wall Type A may be built behind the street setback in accordance with Table 4.3a, provided overshadowing does not exceed the limits of C4.11.1, C4.11.2 and C4.11.3 (refer Figure 4.3c).
- **C4.3.7** Boundary Wall Type B may be built in accordance with Table 4.3a (refer Figure 4.3d and e) where:
  - i. both the subject **site** and adjoining site/s are created on a plan of subdivision submitted concurrently with the application for the proposed development:
  - ii. the lot boundary is shared with an adjoining property not within the plan of subdivision or proposed development:
  - iii. overshadowing does not exceed the limits of C4.11.1, C4.11.2 and C4.11.3;
  - iv. **boundary walls** are located behind the **street** setback:
  - v. all dwellings front a public street; and
  - vi. the boundary walls that share the same side boundary are set back an equal distance from the street.

- C4.3.8 Boundary Wall Type C may be built in accordance with Table 4.3a (refer Figure 4.3d) where:
  - i. both the subject **site** and adjoining site/s are created on a plan of subdivision submitted concurrently with the application for the proposed development;
  - ii. the lot boundary is shared with an adjoining property within the plan of subdivision or proposed development:
  - iii. overshadowing does not exceed the limits of **C4.11.1, C4.11.2** and **C4.11.3**;
  - iv. **boundary walls** are located behind the **street** setback:
  - v. all dwellings front a public street; and
  - vi. the boundary walls that share the same side boundary are set back an equal distance from the street.
- C4.3.9 Where the boundary wall abuts an existing or simultaneously constructed wall of similar or greater dimension, the boundary wall may exceed the requirements of C4.3.6, C4.3.7 and C4.3.8 up to the extent of height and length of the existing boundary wall.

# 4.3 Lot boundary setbacks (cont.)

Table 4.3a Application of boundary wall type A, B and C

Boundary wall type	Α	B 1	C¹
Application of boundary wall type	Refer <b>C4.3.6</b> and <b>Figure 4.3c</b>	Refer <b>C4.3.7</b> and <b>Figure 4.3d</b>	Refer C4.3.8 and Figure 4.3d
Maximum boundary wall height (Refer also Table B)	R30 to R50 – 3.5m R60 to R100 – 7m	R30 to R35 – 3.5m R40 to R100 – 7m	R30 to R35 – 7m R40 to R50 – 9m R60 to R100 – 12m
Maximum boundary wall length	Max. two-thirds the length of the lot boundary the wall abuts. AND Max. 50% of total lot boundary behind street setback.	Max. 9m length, at which point the wall is to be set back 3m measured from the lot boundary for a minimum length of 4m (refer <b>Figure 4.3e</b> ).	No maximum length.

Notes: Where the subject **site** is adjacent to a **site** with a lower density code, the maximum **wall** length and height of the **boundary wall** between them is determined by the lower density code.

<sup>1</sup> Where overshadowing does not exceed the limits of C4.11.1, C4.11.2 and C4.11.3.

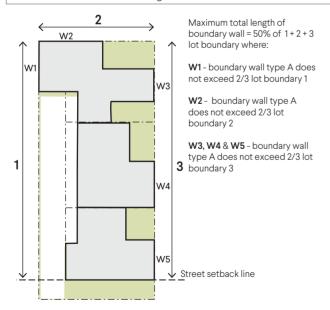


Figure 4.3c Type A boundary walls

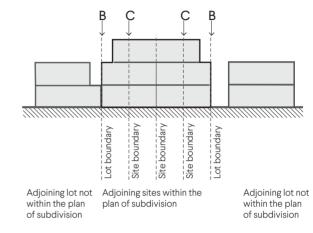


Figure 4.3d Type B and C boundary walls

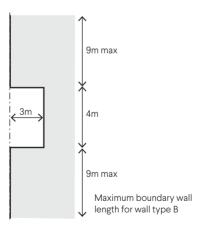


Figure 4.3e Maximum boundary wall length for type B boundary walls

# 4.4 Site works and retaining walls

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P4.4.1** Development that considers and responds to the natural features of the site and requires minimal excavation/fill.
- P4.4.2 Where excavation/fill is necessary, all finished levels respect the natural ground level at the lot **boundary** of the **site** and as viewed from the **street**.
- **P4.4.2** Retaining walls that result in land which can be effectively used for the benefit of residents, do not detrimentally affect adjoining properties and are designed, engineered and landscaped having due regard to the provisions of element 4.12 Visual privacy.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

Development satisfies the following deemed-to-comply requirements (C)

- **C4.4.1** Retaining walls, fill and excavation in the **street** setback area, not more than 0.5m above or below the **natural ground level**, except where necessary to provide for pedestrian universal access and/or vehicle access, drainage works, or natural light to a dwelling.
- C4.4.2 Retaining walls and fill within the site and behind the street setback to comply with Table 4.4a.
- C4.4.3 For single houses, excavation within the site and behind the street setback is permitted up to a depth of 2.5m, where set back a minimum of 1m from a lot boundary.

Table 4.4a Setback of retaining walls and fill

Height of retaining walls and fill <sup>1</sup> As measured from natural ground level	Setback required
0.5m or less	0m
1m	1m
1.5m	1.5m
2m	2m
2.5m	2.5m
3m+	3m

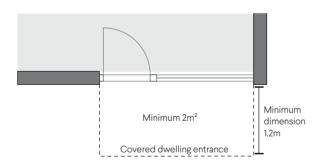
Notes: Take the nearest higher value for all height calculations. <sup>1</sup>Visual privacy provisions under Element 4.12 still apply.

## 4.5 Streetscape

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P4.5.1** The design and landscaping of the street setback area contributes positively to context, local character and the sense of place of the street.
- **P4.5.2** The **streetscape** interface area supports safe pedestrian access for occupants and visitors.
- P4.5.3 The building design addresses street frontages and provides opportunity for passive surveillance and social interaction.



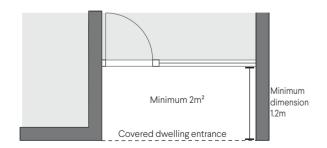


Figure 4.5a Covered primary dwelling entrance

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

- C4.5.1 Dwelling to address the street (including a communal street or right-of-way where this is the primary frontage) and provide at least one major opening on the dwelling frontage with an outlook to the street.
- C4.5.2 The primary entrance to each dwelling must be readily identifiable from the street (including a communal street).
- C4.5.3 For single houses and grouped dwellings, front doors to be protected from the weather by a porch, verandah or similar, consisting of a minimum area of 2m<sup>2</sup> and a minimum dimension of 1.2m (refer Figure 4.5a).

Note: Minimum dimension refers to the minimum length and width.

#### C4.5.4 For multiple dwellings:

- i. a legible, well-defined and continuous path of travel connects pedestrians from the communal arrival point to building access areas, such as lobbies and entry stairs; and
- ground floor dwellings fronting the street are provided with separate and individual pedestrian access from the street.

**C4.5.5** Where a garage faces the primary street, a garage door and its supporting structures (or a garage wall where the garage is aligned parallel to the street) shall not exceed the maximum garage width specified in Table 4.5a (refer Figure 4.5b).

Table 4.5a Maximum garage width

Single storey	Two or mo	more storeys				
50% of the building width	Garage set back 2m or less from the building alignment 60% of the building	Garage set back more than 2m from the building alignment 80% of the building				
	width	width				
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Notes: Refer to **Table 3.4a** for minimum and maximum parking standards

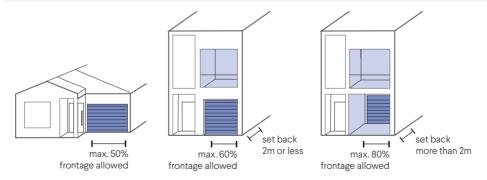


Figure 4.5b Maximum garage width calculation

### 4.6 Street setbacks

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P4.6.1** The **street setback** distance is appropriate for the existing and/or future streetscape and local
- P4.6.2 The street setback area provides sufficient space for tree planting and other landscaping, as well as community interaction.
- **P4.6.3** Garages and/or carports set back to ensure any vehicle parking on a **driveway** does not impede on any existing or planned adjoining pedestrian, cycle, or dual-use path.

### HOUSE HOUSE Street setback line Table B Table 4.6a setback setback 🗸 Balcony/Patio/Porch/Verandah

Figure 4.6a A porch, balcony, verandah or equivalent may project forward of the primary street setback line

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

- **C4.6.1** Dwellings are set back from the street boundary in accordance with Table B.
- **C4.6.2** Garages are set back from the street boundary:
  - i. 5.5m in areas coded R30 and R35; and
  - ii. in accordance with the street setback of Table B in areas coded R40 and above.
- C4.6.3 Notwithstanding C4.6.1, a balcony, patio, porch, verandah, or equivalent may be set back from the primary street boundary in accordance with Table 4.6a, up to the full building width (refer Figure 4.6a).

**Table 4.6a** Permitted primary street setback for balconies, patios, porches, verandahs or equivalent

R-Coding	Balcony, porch, patio and verandah setbacks
R30 to R35	2m
R40 to R60	1.5m
R80	1m
R100	1m

- **C4.6.4 Dwellings** set back from the corner truncation boundary in accordance with the secondary street setback line in Table B.
- C4.6.5 Carports permitted forward of the street setback **line** provided that:
  - i. the carport, inclusive of any associated structures, is set back a minimum of 0.5m from the street boundary:
  - ii. the carport is set back from the **lot boundary** in accordance with C4.3.1:
  - iii. the carport width does not exceed 60% of the building width:
  - iv. the carport is not **enclosed** for any portion within the street setback area: and
  - v. construction allows for a clear view between the dwelling and the street.

# 4.7 Vehicle and pedestrian access

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P4.7.1** Vehicular access for each **development site** is to:
  - i. prioritise pedestrian and cyclist safety while providing safe vehicle access;
  - ii. minimise vehicle access points and the impact on the streetscape;
  - iii. minimise the extent of impervious surfaces;
  - iv. provide legible access; and
  - v. include high quality landscaping features.
- P4.7.2 Vehicle access is designed and located to avoid the removal of existing street trees where possible, or a suitable replacement tree is provided.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

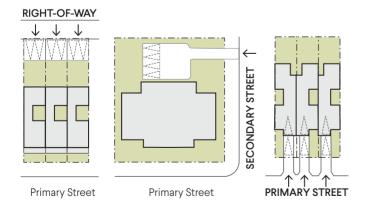
#### Vehicle access

- C4.7.1 Vehicle access to on-site car parking spaces to be provided via the lowest available street in the hierarchy (refer Figure 4.7a), as follows:
  - i. where available, from a right-of-way or communal street available for lawful use to access the relevant site and which is trafficable and drained from the property boundary to a constructed street: or
  - ii. from the secondary street where no right-ofway or communal street exists; or
  - iii. from the **primary street** where no secondary street, right-of-way or communal street exists.

- **C4.7.2** Walls, fences and other structures within the **street** setback area must be truncated or reduced in height to no higher than 0.75m within 1.5m of where walls, fences, or other structures adjoin:
  - i. a driveway that intersects a street, right-of-way or communal street:
  - ii. a right-of-way or communal street that intersects a public street; and
  - iii. two streets that intersect.

(refer Figure 4.7b)

- **C4.7.3** Where located on a designated primary distributor or integrator arterial road, driveways to grouped and multiple dwellings must be 6m wide at the street **boundary** to allow for two vehicles to enter and exit simultaneously in forward gear (refer Figure 4.7d).
- **C4.7.4** Vehicle access points are limited to one per lot (refer Figure 4.7c) except where:
  - i. an existing **dwelling** is being retained that has an established access point that is not able to serve the other dwellings;
  - ii. all dwellings front the street, whereby a maximum of one vehicle access point is permitted per dwelling; or
  - iii. lot frontage exceeds 40m, where two vehicle access points are permitted.
- **C4.7.5** Vehicle access points are to be located to protect existing street trees in accordance with AS4970/2009 Tree Protection Zone.



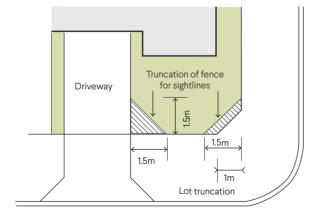


Figure 4.7a Access to parking prioritisation

Figure 4.7b Location of truncations or reduced fence height

### 4.7 Vehicle and pedestrian access (cont.)

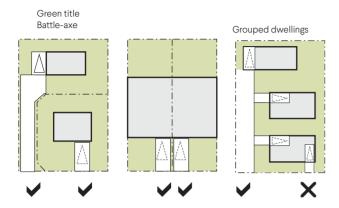


Figure 4.7c Vehicle access point locations

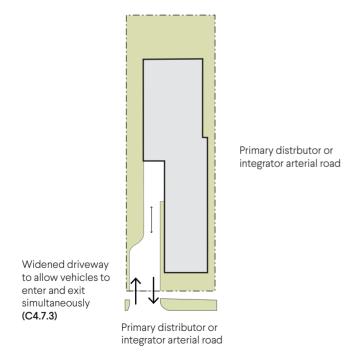


Figure 4.7d Driveways to designated primary distributor or arterial roads

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

#### **Driveways**

#### C4.7.6 Driveways must be:

- set back 0.5m from a side lot boundary or street pole;
- ii. 3m wide except for portions that accommodate vehicle manoeuvring, access to a double garage, and/or passing bays;
- iii. set back 6m to a street corner as required under AS2890.1 Parking Facilities: Off-street Parking (as amended):
- iv. aligned at right angles to the road carriageway; and
- v. adequately trafficable and drained.
- **C4.7.7 Driveways** for **grouped** and **multiple dwellings** to be designed to allow cars to enter the **street** in forward gear where the driveway:
  - i. serves five or more dwellings; or
  - ii. the street to which it connects is a designated primary distributer or integrator arterial (refer Figure 4.7d).
- **C4.7.8 Driveways** for **grouped** and **multiple dwellings** must provide vehicle passing points where:
  - i. the driveway serves 10 or more dwellings; or
  - ii. the distance between an on-site car parking space and the street boundary is 30m or more.

#### **Pedestrian access**

- **C4.7.9** Where a pedestrian access leg is required to provide access from a **dwelling site** to a public **street**, it is to be:
  - i. a minimum width of 1.5m; and
  - ii. designed to provide a clear sightline between the dwelling site and the street (refer Figure 4.7e).

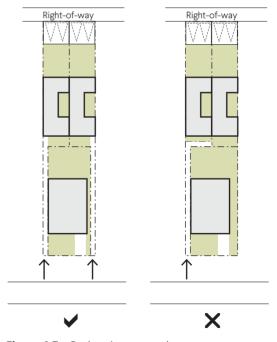


Figure 4.7e Pedestrian access leg

### 4.8 Communal streets

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- P4.8.1 Communal streets are designed as shared spaces for all users, with pedestrian and cyclist safety and access considerations given priority.
- P4.8.2 Communal streets are designed to balance occupant amenity and use of the space with safe movement of vehicles.
- **P4.8.3** Legible, safe, and direct access is provided for pedestrians to move between communal car parking areas or public streets and individual dwellings.
- **P4.8.4** Development with potential to be subdivided to create 20 or more green title, strata or surveystrata lots provides legible internal connections and access to streets and be designed to accommodate traffic movement and volume, visitor parking, pedestrian access, street shade trees. utility services and access for waste collection and emergency service vehicles.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

Development satisfies the following deemed-to-comply requirements (C)

- C4.8.1 Communal street to provide clear sightlines. lighting, a continuous path of travel, and surface treatments to slow traffic and prioritise pedestrian and cyclist safety.
- C4.8.2 The communal street is to be a minimum width of 4m, inclusive of a:
  - i. 3m wide **driveway** in accordance with **C4.7.6**;
  - ii. 0.5m **setback** either side of the driveway (refer Figure 4.8a).

The width of the communal street may be reduced to 3m where it is necessary to retain an existing dwelling.

- C4.8.3 The communal street, including any adjoining setbacks, is to be landscaped.
- C4.8.4 Notwithstanding C4.8.2, where a proposed development has the potential to be subdivided to create 20 or more green title, strata or surveystrata lots, with each lot obtaining driveway access from a **communal street**, the communal street shall be a minimum 12 metres wide, which shall include:
  - i. a paved vehicular carriageway with a minimum width of 5.5m:
  - ii. a 1.2m wide **universally accessible** pedestrian path, designed in accordance with AS1428.1 (as amended); and
  - iii. adequate landscaping and lighting.

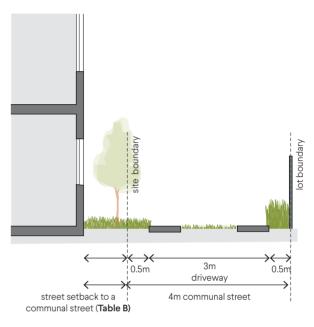


Figure 4.8a Communal street width

### 4.9 Street fences

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P4.9.1** Street fences allow for passive surveillance of the street from the development.
- P4.9.2 Street fences complement the existing and/or desired future streetscape and local character.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

- C4.9.1 When provided, street fences within the primary street setback area are to be:
  - i. a maximum height of 1.5m above **natural ground** level, measured from the natural ground level on the primary street side of the front fence; and
  - ii. at least one third visually permeable (refer Figure 4.9a).
- C4.9.2 For sites on street corners or sites abutting a public pedestrian access way, street fences to the secondary street or public pedestrian accessway to be designed in accordance with C4.9.1 for a minimum of 25% of the street boundary directly behind the primary street setback (refer Figure 4.9b).

C4.9.3 Where a dwelling fronts a street that is a designated primary distributor or integrator arterial road, the fence height within the primary street setback area may be increased to 1.8m, and may be solid where the fence is set back 0.5m with landscaping provided between the street boundary and the

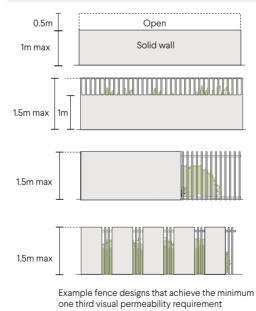


Figure 4.9a Visually permeable fencing

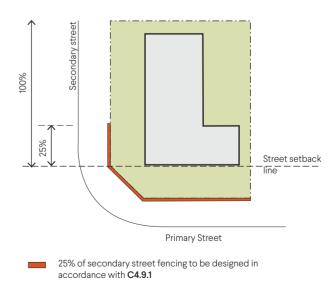


Figure 4.9b Corner lot fencing requirements

# 4.10 Retaining existing dwellings

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P4.10.1** Retained dwellings contribute positively to the streetscape and/or established built form local
- P4.10.2 Retained dwellings provide outdoor amenity, solar access and natural ventilation for occupants.

#### **DEEMED-TO COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

#### C4.10.1 Where a dwelling is retained as part of a grouped dwelling development:

- i. the appearance of the retained dwelling is upgraded externally to an equivalent maintenance standard of the new (or the rest of) the development; and
- ii. the retained dwelling it is to comply with the following:
  - 2.1 Primary garden area
  - 2.3 Trees, deep soil area and landscaping
  - 3.1 Primary living space (provisions **C3.1.1** and **C3.1.2**)
  - 3.4 Parking
  - 3.5 Storage

## 4.11 Solar access for adjoining sites

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- **P4.11.1** Development is designed to protect solar access for adjoining sites taking account the potential to overshadow:
  - i. north-facing openings to primary living spaces, within 15 degrees of north in either direction;
  - ii. outdoor active habitable spaces; and
  - iii. roof mounted solar collectors.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

- **C4.11.1** In climate zones 4, 5, and 6, development shall be so designed that its shadow cast at midday, 21 June (refer Figure 4.11a) onto any other:
  - i. residential zoned adjoining property; or
  - ii. residential zoned **lot** that is diagonally adjacent to the development site (refer Figure 4.11b);

does not exceed the limits set out in Table 4.11a.

**C4.11.2** Where an adjoining property shares a northern lot boundary with more than one lot including the development site, the limit of shading at C4.11.1(i) shall be cumulative and proportional to the length of the shared boundary/ies of the development site (refer Figure 4.11c).

> Note: with regard to C4.11.1 to C4.11.2, dividing fences do not contribute to calculations of overshadowing.

C4.11.3 Buildings are configured to maintain four hours per day **solar access** on 21 June for existing **solar** collectors for adjoining properties.

Table 4.11a Maximum overshadowing

Adjoining property R-Coding	Maximum overshadowing for adjoining property	Maximum overshadowing for diagonally adjacent lots
R25 and lower	25% of the site area	12.5% of the site area
R30 – R35	35% of the site area	17.5% of the site area
R40 – R50	45% of the site area	22.5% of the site area
R60	60% of the site area	30% of the site area
R80 or higher	80% of the site area	40% of the site area

Notes: For the purpose of calculating overshadowing, site **area** refers to the area of the ground surface of the adjoining property and is measured without regard to any **building** on it, but taking into account its **natural** ground levels.

# 4.11 Solar access for adjoining sites (cont.)

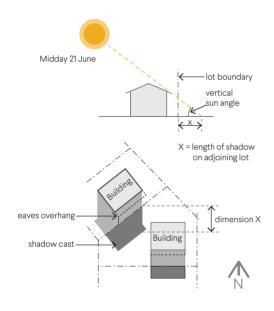
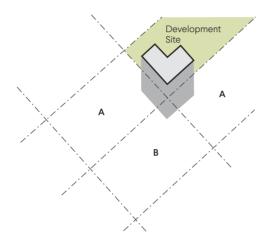


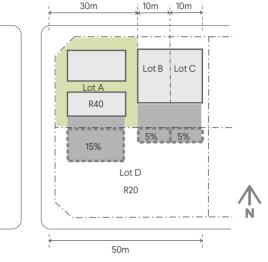
Figure 4.11a Measuring extent of solar access to neighbouring properties



A = Adjoining property. Refer Table 4.11a maximum overshadowing for adjoining property column

B = Diagonally adjacent lot. Refer Table 4.11a maximum overshadowing for diagonally adjacent lots column

Figure 4.11b Overshadowing for adjoining property and diagonally adjacent lots



Maximum overshadowing allowed to Lot D = 25% Lot A can cast shadow max 30/50 x 25% = 15% of Lot D site area Lot B can cast shadow max 10/50 x 25%= 5% of Lot D site area Lot C can cast shadow max 10/50 x 25% = 5 % of Lot D site area

Figure 4.11c Proportionate limits from shared southern boundary

# 4.12 Visual privacy

#### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

**Development** demonstrates compliance with the following design principles (P)

- P4.12.1 Direct overlooking of major openings and active habitable spaces of adjacent dwellings and adjoining properties minimised through:
  - i. **building** siting, layout and design;
  - ii. design and location of major openings;
  - iii. landscape screening of outdoor active habitable spaces; and/or
  - iv. design and location of screening devices.
- P4.12.2 Maximum visual privacy achieved through appropriate interfaces between dwellings including measures such as:
  - i. offsetting the location of ground and first floor windows so that viewing is oblique rather than
  - ii. **building boundary walls** where appropriate;
  - iii. setting back the upper storeys from the lot boundary;
  - iv. providing higher, or opaque and fixed windows; and/or
  - v. screening (including landscaping, fencing, obscure glazing, timber screens, external blinds, window hoods and shutters).
- P4.12.3 Visual privacy strategies maintain amenity of habitable rooms and active habitable space with regard to solar access, natural ventilation and external outlook both within the development and for adjoining properties.

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

#### For development adjoining an existing dwelling

- C4.12.1 A cone of vision (refer Figure 4.12a) is to be established for all sources of overlooking. measured:
  - i. from a height of 1.7m above floor level;
  - ii. for a radius specified in accordance with **Table** 4.12a and extending 90 degrees down to ground level: and
  - iii. within a 45 degree horizontal angle from the outside edges of the major opening or perimeter of the active habitable space.
- C4.12.2 Where the cone of vision captures a major opening or an active habitable space of an existing dwelling behind the street setback on an adjoining property, the source of overlooking is located, designed or set back to limit the line of sight into the major opening or active habitable space of the adjoining property through one or more of the following:
  - i. offset the major opening a minimum of 1.5m from the edge of one major opening to the edge of another on an adjoining property<sup>1,2</sup> (refer Figure 4.12b):
  - ii. incorporate a permanent, fixed vertical or horizontal building element, planter box or fin (refer Figure 4.12c, Figure 4.12d):
  - iii. have a sill height of at least 1.6m above floor level (refer Figure 4.12e);
  - iv. have fixed, obscure glazing in any part of the window below 1.6m above floor level (refer Figure 4.12f);
  - v. have permanent **screening** to at least 1.6m above floor level that is a minimum 75 per cent obscure (refer Figure 4.12g); or
  - vi. set back the source of overlooking so that the cone of vision does not capture a major opening or active habitable space on an adjoining property.

Notes: Cone of vision radius include the width of any adjoining right-of-way, communal street or battleaxe leg or the

> <sup>1</sup>Offsetting a major opening limits the line of sight between facing major openings, however may not satisfy all visual privacy requirements including potential overlooking of active habitable spaces on different levels of the adioining property.

> <sup>2</sup>When offsetting to meet the **deemed-to-comply**, major openings must be orientated perpendicular to or orientated away from the major opening on the adjoining property.

C4.12.3 Sources of overlooking for grouped or multiple dwelling buildings on the same lot, or facing portions of the same multiple dwelling building, are to apply C4.12.1 and C4.12.2.

Table 4.12a Cone of vision radius

Type of habitable room/ active habitable space (with a floor level of more than 0.5m above natural ground level)	Required cone of vision radius
Major opening from bedroom and study	5m
Major opening from habitable room other than bedroom and study	6.5m
Unscreened outdoor active habitable space	8m

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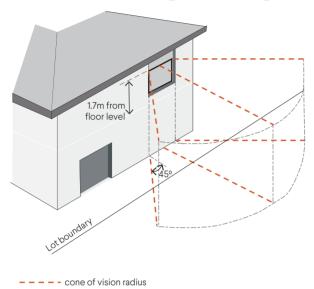


Figure 4.12a Establishing a cone of vision

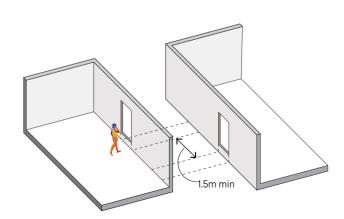


Figure 4.12b Offsetting major openings

#### **DEEMED-TO-COMPLY**

**Development** satisfies the following **deemed-to-comply** requirements (C)

#### For development adjoining a vacant site

**C4.12.4** Where an **adjoining property** is vacant residential zoned land, **C4.12.1** does not apply and **major openings** from **active habitable spaces** (excluding bedrooms) with a floor level of more than 0.5m above **natural ground level** are to be:

- set back from the lot boundary in accordance with Table 4.12b; or
- ii. orientated a minimum of 90 degrees away from the adjoining lot boundary (refer **Figure 4.12h**)

Where (i) or (ii) cannot be achieved, potential overlooking from an active habitable space (excluding bedrooms) shall be addressed in accordance with C4.12.2 (iv), (v) or (vi).

Table 4.12b Visual privacy lot boundary setbacks

Type of habitable room/ active habitable space (with a floor level of more than 0.5m above natural ground level)	Setback for land coded R25 or lower	Setback for land coded R30 or higher
Major opening to habitable room (excluding bedrooms)	6m	4.5m
Unscreened outdoor active habitable space	7.5m	6m

Notes: Where a development site adjoins a lower R-Coding, the lower coded visual privacy setback applies.

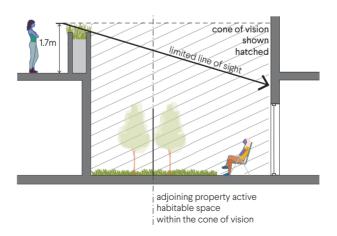


Figure 4.12c Horizontal and vertical visual privacy design solutions

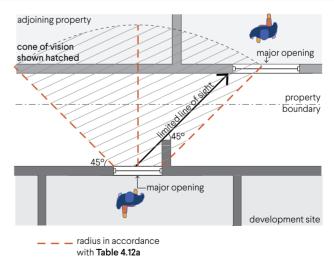


Figure 4.12d Horizontal and vertical visual privacy design solutions

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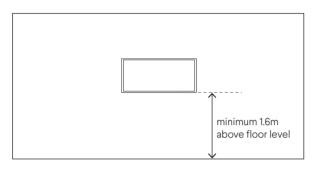


Figure 4.12e Sill height for visual privacy

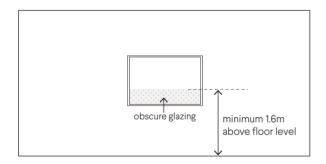


Figure 4.12f Obscure glazing for visual privacy

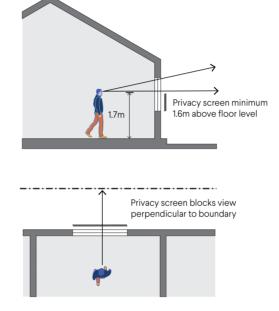


Figure 4.12g Permanently fixed screening for visual privacy

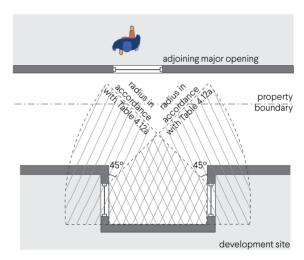


Figure 4.12h Orient openings a minimum 90 degrees from boundary

# **Table A Site area requirements**

Copy of **Table A** from element 1.1 Site area

		Site area per dwelling (m²)					
R-Code	Dwelling type	Site Category 1	Site Category 2	Site Category 3			
		(refer <b>C1.1.2</b> )	(refer <b>C1.1.3</b> )	(refer <b>C1.1.4</b> )			
r residentia	l development in areas d	coded R25 and below, refer t	o R-Codes Vol.1, Part B				
	Single house and	Min 260	Min 220	Min 180			
R30	Grouped dwelling	Ave 300	Ave 260	Ave 220			
	Multiple dwelling	Ave 300	Ave 260	Ave 220			
	Single house and	Min 220	Min 180	Min 160			
R35	Grouped dwelling	Ave 260	Ave 220	Ave 180			
	Multiple dwelling	Ave 260	Ave 220	Ave 180			
	Single house and	Min 180	Min 160	Min 120			
R40	Grouped dwelling	Ave 220	Ave 180	Ave 150			
	Multiple dwelling	Ave 115	Ave 100	Ave 85			
	Single house and	Min 160	Min 120	Min 100			
R50	Grouped dwelling	Ave 180	Ave 150	Ave 120			
	Multiple dwelling	Ave 100	Ave 85	Ave 85			
	Single house and	Min 120	Min 100	NIA			
R60	Grouped dwelling	Ave 150	Ave 120	NA			
	Multiple dwelling	Ave 85	NA	NA			
	Single house and	Min 100	NA				
R80	Grouped dwelling	Ave 120	NA	NA			
	Multiple dwelling	Refer R-Codes Vol. 2	NA	NA			
	Single house and	Min 80	NA	NA			
R100	Grouped dwelling	No ave applies	INA	INA			
efer <b>C1.1.9</b> )	Multiple dwelling	Refer R-Codes Vol. 2	NA	NA			

Notes: R80 site area requirements apply to all single house or grouped dwellings located on lots coded R100, R160 and R-AC, with the exception of lots that meet the criteria of C.1.1.9, which may apply R100 site area requirements.

# **Table B Primary controls**

The following primary cont comply provisions for all m - single houses and gro R30 and above; and - multiple dwellings in a	edium density o uped dwellings	development: in areas coded	R30	R35	R40	R50	R60	R80 (for multiple dwellings refer R-Codes Vol. 2.)	R100¹ (for multiple dwellings refer R-Codes Vol. 2.)		
Maximum site o	cover (% of sit		55%	55%	55%	60%	60%	70%	85%		
Maximum build Refer 4.2	ding height (st Building height	toreys)	2	2	3	3	3	4	4		
Maximum boundary	Boun	dary wall Type A	3.5m	3.5m	3.5m	3.5m	7m	7m	7m		
wall height Refer Element 4.2 Building	Bour	ndary wall Type B	3.5m	3.5m	7m	7m	7m	7m	7m		
height and 4.3 Lot boundary setbacks	Boun	dary wall Type C	7m	7m	9m	9m	12m	12m	12m		
Minimum lot		1 storey	1m						1m		
boundary setbacks <sup>2</sup>		2 storey		2m					1.5m		
Refer Element 4.3 Lot boundary setbacks		3 storey	3m					3m			
		4 storey	3m				3m				
		Primary street	4m	4m	3m	3m	3m	2m	1m		
		Secondary street		1.5m							
Minimum street	way, co	edestrian access mmunal street or ixe lot access leg		1m							
Refer Element 4.6 Street setbacks	Adjoining Setback of ground floor right-of-		0.5m					0.5m			
	way <sup>3</sup>	Setback of upper storeys			0.0	2111			0m		
	(where RC	ning right-of-way DW is the primary to the dwelling) <sup>4</sup>			21	m			N/A		

Notes: R80 code standards apply to single houses, grouped dwellings in areas coded R100, R160 and R-AC (unless subject to C1.1.9).

Primary controls of **Table B** apply, except where modified by the **local planning framework**, in which case **development** complies with the controls set out in the applicable local planning instrument. <sup>1</sup>Subject to C1.1.9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Boundary walls permitted in accordance with C4.3.5 - C4.3.8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Where the **right-of-way** is less than 6m wide, a minimum of 1m **setback** applies. In all instances **ancillary dwellings** are to apply these requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Does not apply to **ancillary dwellings**.

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### **Definitions**

#### **ACTIVE HABITABLE SPACE - anv:**

- habitable room with a floor area greater than 10m<sup>2</sup>; and
- balcony, courtyard, patio, verandah or other forms of private open space.

**ACTIVITY CENTRE** - as defined under the *Planning and* Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 and are community focal points that include activities such as commercial, retail, higher-density housing, entertainment, tourism, civic, community, higher education, and medical services. Activity centres vary in size and composition and are designed to be well-serviced by public transport.

ADAPTABLE HOUSING / DWELLINGS - dwellings designed and built to accommodate future changes to suit occupants with mobility impairment or life cycle needs.

#### **ADJOINING PROPERTY** - any lot:

- on which any **dwelling** for which provision is made in the R-Codes may be constructed under the scheme; and
- which shares a boundary or portion of a boundary with a lot on which there is a proposed residential development site or is separated from that lot by a right-of-way, vehicle access way, pedestrian access way, access leg of a battleaxe lot or the equivalent not more than 6m in width.

**AGED PERSON** - a person who is aged 55 years or over.

**AMENITY** - as defined under the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 and includes the 'liveability', comfort or quality of a place which makes it pleasant and agreeable to be in for individuals and the community. Amenity is important in the public, communal and private domains and includes the enjoyment of sunlight, outlook, privacy and quiet. It also includes protection from pollution and odours.

ANCILLARY DWELLING - self-contained dwelling on the same lot as a dwelling which may be attached to, integrated with or detached from the dwelling.

AT-GRADE - located at same height as ground level.

**BALCONY** - a balustraded platform on the outside of a dwelling with access from an upper internal room.

**BASEMENT** – a building floor level in which 50 per cent or more of its volume is below natural ground level.

BATTLEAXE LOT - a single house lot that has a frontage for purposes of servicing and access to a public road only through a strip of connecting land containing a pedestrian access leg and/ or vehicular access way that is part of the lot. The term excludes a **site** that has vehicle access from a private or communal street or right-of-way connected to a public road.

**BOUNDARY WALL** - a wall, on or less than 600mm from any lot boundary (green title or survey-strata lot), other than a street boundary.

**BUILDING** - any structure whether fixed or moveable, temporary or permanent, placed or erected on land, and the term includes **dwellings** and structures appurtenant to dwellings such as carports, garages, verandahs, patios. outbuildings and retaining walls, but excludes boundary fences, pergolas and swimming pools.

BUILDING ALIGNMENT - means the vertical external face of any **building** comprising solid building material, but excludes any projections such as balconies, eaves, porches and verandahs.

**BUILDING WIDTH** – the width of the **building** as viewed from the primary street.

**CARPORT** - A roofed structure designed to accommodate one or more motor vehicles that is **unenclosed** and without a door unless that door is visually permeable.

**CLIMATE ZONE** - as defined by ABCB (see end of definitions, page 67). Western Australia is divided into five climate zones based on humidity and temperature, ranging from temperate in the southwest to hot/arid in the interior to hot/humid in the north.

**COMMON PROPERTY** – has the meaning given by section 10 of the Strata Titles Act 1985, as amended, and means:

- that part of the parcel of land subdivided by the strata titles scheme that does not form part of a lot in the strata titles scheme: and
- temporary common property.

#### **COMMUNAL OPEN SPACE -**

For Volume 1 it means open space set aside for the recreational use of the occupants of the dwellings in a common and does not include development driveways or car parking areas.

For Volume 2 it means outdoor areas within the lot and either at ground level or on structure that is accessible to and shared by residents for common recreational use and in some instances accessible to the public. It must promote gathering and social interaction. It does not include primary external circulation areas for vehicles or pedestrians however a seating niche or small gathering space within a circulation area is included. A minimum dimension is applicable for the main (largest) component. Covered communal facilities connected to open space, publicly accessible open space and public open space within the **development site** (if provided) can contribute to communal open space requirements.

**COMMUNAL STREET** – **common property** or private street providing joint access to two or more dwellings in a residential development and may include vehicle and pedestrian access, and landscaping.

**CONE OF VISION** – the limits of outlook from any given viewpoint, applying a viewing cut off angle not less than 45 degrees, for the purposes of assessing the extent of overlooking from that point.

**CONTINUOUS PATH OF TRAVEL** - an uninterrupted route to or within premises or **buildings** and providing access to all services and facilities (AS1428.1). It should not incorporate any step, stairway, turnstile, revolving door, escalator, hazard or other impediment which would prevent it from being safely negotiated by people with disability.

**CORNER LOT** – a **lot** located at the intersection of two or more constructed public streets.

**COURTYARD** - open space at ground level or on a structure that is open to the sky and **enclosed** by the **building** on three or more sides.

**CROSSOVER** – the vehicle access point (or **driveway**) running from the property boundary to the edge of the road.

**DAYLIGHT** - consists of both skylight (diffuse light from the sky) and **sunlight** (direct beam radiation from the sun). Davlight changes with the time of day, season and weather conditions.

**DECISION-MAKER** - that body, organisation or authorised person legally vested with the power to make decisions, pursuant to relevant legislation, in respect of residential development in accordance with the R-Codes.

**DEEMED-TO-COMPLY** - a proposal, or a component of a proposal, that complies with the deemed-to-comply provisions of the R-Codes, or an adopted local planning

**DEEP SOIL AREA** - soft landscape area on lot with no impeding building structure or feature above or below, which supports growth of small to large canopy trees and meets a stated minimum dimension. Used primarily for landscaping and open to the sky, deep soil areas exclude basement car parks, services, swimming pools, tennis courts and impervious surfaces including car parks, driveways and roof areas.

**DEPENDANT PERSON** - a person with a recognised form of disability requiring special accommodation for independent living or special care.

**DESIGN PRINCIPLES** - in R-Codes Volume 1, specific design objectives for each element of R-Codes Volume 1 are to be met by all residential development subject to Volume 1 and are to be used in the preparation, submission and assessment for proposals for the purpose of determining their compliance with R-Codes Volume 1. A proposal is required to demonstrate compliance with design principles where it does not satisfy corresponding **deemed-to-comply** provisions.

**DEVELOPMENT** - as defined under the *Planning and* Development Act 2005.

**DEVELOPMENT SITE** - as defined under the *Planning and* Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.

**DRIVEWAY** - the portion of the paved vehicle access way between a car parking area and the property boundary, excluding any associated landscaping or pedestrian path on either side.

**DUAL KEY DWELLING** – a form of ancillary dwelling with a common internal corridor and lockable doors to sections within the **dwelling** so that it is able to be separated into two independent units.

**DWELLING** - building or portion of a building being used, adapted, or designed or intended to be used for the purpose of human habitation on a permanent basis by a single person, a single family, or no more than six persons who do not comprise a single family.

EFFECTIVE LOT AREA - that part of the lot that is capable of development and excludes any vehicle or pedestrian access legs and associated truncations.

**ENCLOSED** - an area bound on three or more sides by a permanent wall and covered in a water impermeable material.

**ESSENTIAL SERVICE UTILITIES** - supply and reticulation of essential services including, but not limited to power, water, gas, wastewater, internet and telecommunications.

**EXTERNAL FIXTURES** - fixtures located external to the dwelling and includes:

- essential service utilities:
- functional utilities:
- sustainability infrastructure; and
- fire service infrastructure.

FIRE SERVICE INFRASTRUCTURE - all infrastructure required by relevant emergency services, such as fire safety systems, boosters and hydrants.

**FLOOR AREA** – in relation to a room or **dwelling**, the internal area measured within the finished surfaces of the walls, and includes the area occupied by any cupboard or other built-in furniture, fixture or fitting.

FREEHOLD SCHEME - has the meaning given by section 8(2) of the Strata Titles Act 1985, as amended.

FRONTAGE - the width of a lot at the primary street setback line, provided that in the case of battleaxe or other irregularly shaped lots, it shall be as determined by the decision-maker.

FUNCTIONAL UTILITIES - functional utilities associated with the dwelling including, but not limited to air-conditioning, plant, clothes drying and hot water systems.

**GARAGE** - any roofed structure, other than a carport. designed to accommodate one or more motor vehicles and attached to the dwelling.

**GREEN TITLE** - a lot owned in fee simple issued with a certificate of title under the Transfer of Land Act 1893, as amended, other than a strata lot or a survey-strata lot.

**GROUPED DWELLING** - a dwelling that is one of a group of two or more dwellings on the same lot such that no dwelling is placed wholly or partly vertically above or below another, except where special conditions of landscape or topography dictate otherwise, and includes a dwelling dwelling in a strata titles scheme with common property.

**HABITABLE ROOM/SPACE** - as defined by the **NCC** for a room/space used for normal domestic activities that includes:

a bedroom, living room, lounge room, music room, sitting room, television room, kitchen, dining room, sewing room, study, playroom, family room, sunroom, gymnasium, fully **enclosed** swimming pool or **patio**;

#### but excludes:

a bathroom, laundry, water closet, food storage pantry, walk-in wardrobe, corridor, hallway, lobby, photographic darkroom, clothes drying room, verandah and unenclosed swimming pool or patio and other spaces of a specialised nature occupied neither frequently nor for extended periods.

**HEIGHT. BUILDING** - this is the distance between the point where the base of the wall meets the natural ground **level** and measured to the highest point of a wall or roof of a **building** vertically above that point excluding **minor** projections.

**HEIGHT. WALL** - the vertical distance from the **natural** ground level at the base of the wall to the roof or the top of the parapet.

**HERITAGE PROTECTED PLACE** - as defined under the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.

**HIGH-FREQUENCY ROUTE** – a public transport route with timed stops that runs a service at least every 15 minutes during weekday peak periods (7am to 9am and 5pm to 7pm).

IMPERVIOUS AREA/SURFACE – surfaces that do not permit the penetration of rainwater into the ground and instead generate **stormwater** run-off, typically to drainage systems.

**INCIDENTAL DEVELOPMENT - development** which is associated with or attached to a dwelling and incidental to its main residential functions.

INTERNAL WALLS - those walls which are wholly included within the dwelling including walls that abut covered outdoor living areas but does not include walls which are common to two dwellings in grouped or multiple dwelling developments.

LANDSCAPE / LANDSCAPING / LANDSCAPED - land developed with garden beds, shrubs and trees, or by the planting of lawns, and includes such features as rockeries, ornamental ponds, swimming pools, barbecue areas or playgrounds and any other such area approved of by the decision-maker as landscaped area.

**LANEWAY** - a narrow local **street** type without a verge located along the rear and/or side property boundary. typically used in more dense residential areas when smaller lot layouts justify rear garaging, and where alternative vehicle access is needed for lots fronting busy streets or parks.

**LEASEHOLD SCHEME** - has the meaning given by section 8(3) of the Strata Titles Act 1985, as amended.

**LIGHTWELL** - an opening to the sky, **enclosed** on four sides by **building** volume, with a height to width ratio of more than 2:1.

**LINE OF SIGHT -** a straight line measured from a height of 1.7m above the floor level from the source of overlooking to a major opening or active habitable space of an adjoining property, within the established cone of vision.

LOCAL CHARACTER / LOCAL IDENTITY - the natural. cultural and historic characteristics of an area that are intrinsic to the locality, and which the local community relate to. See also sense of place.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN - as defined under the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.

LOCAL PLANNING FRAMEWORK - comprises all strategic, statutory and policy planning documents which collectively outline the planning for an area and development requirements for sites, of the decision-maker and generally include a scheme, local planning strategy (including any housing component), structure plans, activity centre plans. local development plans and local planning policies.

LOCAL PLANNING POLICY – any policy prepared by a local government in accordance with the procedures set out in the local planning scheme.

**LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME** - as defined under the *Planning* and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.

**LOCAL PLANNING STRATEGY -** as defined under the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015: a document which supports the preparation and review of a local planning scheme in accordance with Part 3 of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.

LOFT – a room or space within the roof space of a building.

LOT - for single houses, a lot as defined under the Planning and Development Act 2005, as amended. For **multiple** or grouped dwellings, the parent lot.

LOT BOUNDARY - the boundary between a lot and any other parcel of land, excluding a street boundary.

LOT IN A STRATA SCHEME - has the meaning given by section 3 of the Strata Titles Act 1985, as amended, and means one or more cubic spaces forming part of the parcel subdivided by the strata scheme, the base of one lot on the floor plan forming part of the **strata plan** or an amendment of the strata plan but does not include any structural cubic space except if that structural cubic space is a single tier **building**, as defined in regulation 6 of the Strata Titles (General) Regulations 2019.

LOT IN A SURVEY-STRATA SCHEME - has the meaning given by section 3 of the Strata Titles Act 1985, as amended. and means land that is shown as a lot consisting of one or more parts on the plan for that scheme.

MAJOR OPENING - a window, door or other opening in the exterior wall of a habitable room that provides external means of light or view for that room or space, but does not include an opening or openings that:

- in aggregate do not exceed 1m<sup>2</sup> in any such wall, (provided that adjoining or contiguous windows at the junction of two walls forming an internal angle of 90 degrees or less shall be aggregated); or
- are glazed in an obscure material and are not able to be opened: or have a sill height not less than 1.6m above floor level.

MAJOR RAINFALL EVENT - events greater than a minor rainfall event and up to and including the 1 per cent annual exceedance probability (AEP) event (refer Department of Water).

#### **MINOR PROJECTION -**

- in relation to the height of a **building**: a chimney, vent pipe, aerial or other appurtenance of like scale;
- in relation to a wall: a rainwater pipe, vent pipe, eaves overhang, cornice or other moulding or decorative feature, provided that the projection does not exceed 0.75m measured horizontally.

MINOR RAINFALL EVENT – rainfall events greater than small rainfall events and less than major rainfall events.

MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT - buildings that contain commercial and other non-residential uses in conjunction with residential dwellings in a multiple dwelling configuration.

**MULTIPLE DWELLING** – a dwelling in a group of more than one dwelling on a lot where any part of the plot ratio area of a dwelling is vertically above any part of the plot ratio area of anv other but:

- does not include a grouped dwelling; and
- includes any dwellings above the ground floor in a mixed use development.

NATURAL GROUND LEVEL - the levels on a site which precede the proposed **development**, excluding any site works unless approved by the decision-maker or established as part of subdivision of the land preceding development.

**NATURAL VENTILATION** - the movement of a sufficient volume of fresh air through a dwelling to refresh indoor air.

NCC - National Construction Code, comprising the Building Code of Australia (BCA) and Plumbing Code of Australia (PCA).

NON-HABITABLE ROOM/SPACE – any room or space that is not defined as a habitable room or space in the NCC.

**OPEN SPACE** - Generally that area of a **lot** not occupied by any building and includes:

- open areas of accessible and useable flat roofs and outdoor living areas above natural ground level;
- areas beneath eaves:
- verandahs, patios or other such roofed structures not more than 0.5m above natural ground level, unenclosed on at least two sides, and covering no more than 10 per cent of the site area or 50m<sup>2</sup> whichever is the lesser:
- unroofed open structures such as pergolas;
- uncovered driveways (including access aisles in car parking areas) and uncovered car parking spaces;

#### but excludes:

- non-accessible roofs, verandahs, balconies and outdoor living areas over 0.5m above natural ground level; and/or
- covered car parking spaces and covered walkways, areas for rubbish disposal, stores, outbuildings or plant rooms.

OUTBUILDING - an enclosed non-habitable structure that is detached from any dwelling.

**OUTDOOR LIVING AREA** - the area external to a single house, grouped or multiple dwelling to be used in conjunction with that dwelling such that it is capable of active or passive use and is readily accessible from the dwelling.

**PARAPET** - the portion of a wall protruding above a roof or terrace. Often taken to refer to the decorative element which establishes the street wall height of heritage buildings (see cornice).

**PARENT LOT** - relating to multiple or grouped dwellings. the lot inclusive of common areas to which the strata titles scheme, as defined under the Strata Titles Act 1985, as amended, relates.

PASSIVE SURVEILLANCE - actual and perceived monitoring of public spaces by people as they go about their daily activities. Commonly referred to as 'eyes on the street'.

PATIO - an unenclosed structure covered in a water impermeable material which may or may not be attached to a dwelling.

**PEDESTRIAN ACCESS LEG –** provides access from a public **street** to a **dwelling** where sole vehicular access is via a rear right-of-way. It can be in the form of a portion of the rear lot or as **common property** in the case of a **strata title scheme**.

**PERGOLA** - an open-framed structure covered in a water permeable material or unroofed, which may or may not be attached to a dwelling.

PERMEABLE SURFACE/ PERMEABLE PAVEMENT - Soil or ground surface treatments that allow rainwater and stormwater to infiltrate to the underlying subsoil.

PLOT RATIO - the ratio of the gross plot ratio area of buildings on a development site to the area of land in the site boundaries

PLOT RATIO AREA - the gross total area of all floors of buildings on a development site, including the area of any internal and external walls but not including:

- the areas of any lift shafts;
- stairs or stair landings common to two or more dwellings;
- machinery, air conditioning and equipment rooms;
- space that is wholly below natural ground level;
- area used exclusively for the parking of wheeled vehicles at or below natural ground level;
- storerooms;
- lobbies, bin storage areas, passageways to bin storage areas or amenities areas common to more than one dwelling; and
- balconies, eaves, verandahs, courtyards and roof terraces.

PRECINCT STRUCTURE PLAN - as defined under the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 and means a plan for the coordination of subdivision, zoning and development of an area of land.

PRIMARY GARDEN AREA - an external ground floor area for single house and grouped dwellings set aside on a site for the exclusive use of the occupants of the dwelling to which it abuts.

**PRIMARY LIVING SPACE** – the area within a dwelling that is the focus of life and activity and usually the largest room. This area is connected with the primary garden area or private open space, and includes the following room types: living room, lounge room, games room, family room, or an integrated living area that has one of these room types together with a kitchen or dining area.

**PRIMARY STREET** - unless otherwise designated by the local government, the sole or principal public road that provides access to the major entry (front door) to the dwelling or building.

PRIVATE OPEN SPACE - outdoor space located at ground level or on a structure that is within private ownership and provided for the exclusive use of the occupants of the dwelling to which it abuts and excludes car parking spaces and access ways.

PORCH - a roofed open platform attached to the front of a dwelling.

**RESIDENTIAL BUILDING** - a building or portion of a building. together with rooms and **outbuildings** separate from such building but incidental thereto; such building being used or intended, adapted or designed to be used for the purpose of human habitation:

- temporarily by two or more persons; or
- permanently by seven or more persons, who do not comprise a single family, but does not include a hospital or sanatorium, a prison, a hotel, a motel or a residential school.

**RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT - development** of permanent accommodation for people, and may include all dwellings, the residential component of mixed use development, and residential buildings proposing permanent accommodation.

RIGHT-OF-WAY - a strip of land such as a laneway, available either for use by the general public, or a restricted section of the community, and may be created by subdivision, specific transfer, or continued use over a period of years. They may

- private, where the land is created in a plan of subdivision and available to landowners that are legally entitled; or
- public, where the land has been vested in the Crown.

**ROOT PROTECTION AREA** - an area at the base of a tree to be retained and protected and in which contain critical roots required for the survival of that tree or group of trees.

**SCHEME** - the **local planning scheme** that specifies zoning and development standards gazetted pursuant to the Planning and Development Act 2005, as amended.

**SCHEME PLAN** - has the meaning given by section 3 of the Strata Titles Act 1985, as amended, and for a strata titles scheme means the strata plan or survey-strata plan registered, or proposed to be registered, for the strata titles scheme as a scheme document.

**SCREENING** - permanently fixed external perforated panels or trellises composed of solid or obscured translucent panels.

**SECONDARY STREET** - in the case of a **site** that has access from more than one public road, a road that is not the **primary** street.

**SENSE OF PLACE** - the essential memorable and recognisable characteristics of an area.

**SERVICE AREA** - areas designated for **building** services installed to make the building functional, comfortable, efficient and safe.

**SETBACK** - the horizontal distance between a wall at any point and an adjacent lot boundary, measured at right angles (90 degrees) to the boundary.

**SIGHTLINES** - lines of clear physically uninterrupted sight.

**SIGNIFICANT EXISTING TREE** - an existing tree that meets the following criteria:

- healthy specimens with ongoing viability; and
- species is not included on a State or local area weed register; and
- height of at least 4m; and/or
- trunk diameter of at least 160mm, measured 1m from the ground: and/or
- average canopy diameter of at least 4m.

**SINGLE ASPECT** – a **dwelling** or room with openings facing primarily in one direction from a single major external wall.

**SINGLE BEDROOM DWELLING** - a dwelling that contains a living room and no more than one other **habitable room** that is capable of use as a bedroom.

SINGLE HOUSE - a dwelling standing wholly on its own green title or survey-strata lot, together with any easement over adjoining land for support of a wall or for access or services and excludes dwellings on titles with areas held in common property.

#### SITE -

- In the case of a **single house**, the **green title** or survey-strata lot on which it stands.
- In the case of a grouped dwelling, the area occupied by the dwelling together with any area allocated (whether by way of strata title scheme or otherwise) for the exclusive use or benefit of that dwelling.
- In the case of a multiple dwelling or apartment development, the lot (or parent lot where the lot is subdivided under strata scheme) on which the dwellings stand.

**SITE AREA** - the area of land required for the construction of a dwelling to satisfy the requirements of the R-Codes.

**SITE COVER** – site cover includes the **building** (including upper **storeys** projecting forward of the ground floor building alignment), ancillary development or other structure with a water impermeable roofed material, but excludes:

- carports and uncovered driveways and parking spaces;
- a basement that is constructed wholly underground:
- pergolas and unenclosed patios, porches and verandahs: and
- unenclosed balconies projecting forward of the building alignment.

**SITE-RESPONSIVE** - deriving from analysis of the physical characteristics of an area (such as landform, views, prevailing breezes, environmental features) and to manage constraints and opportunities to create optimum design outcomes.

SMALL DWELLING - a single house or grouped dwelling with a **dwelling** internal **floor area** no greater that 70m<sup>2</sup>.

**SMALL RAINFALL EVENT** - the first 15mm of a rainfall event.

**SOLAR ACCESS** - is the ability of a building to continue to receive direct sunlight without obstruction from other buildings or impediments, not including trees.

**SOLAR COLLECTORS** - solar collecting components of the following: thermal heating systems, photovoltaic systems and skylights.

SOURCE OF OVERLOOKING - major openings and active habitable space with a floor level of more than 0.5m above natural ground level.

**SPECIAL PURPOSE DWELLING** - includes ancillary dwelling, aged or dependent persons' dwelling or a single bedroom dwelling.

**STANDARD STRUCTURE PLAN** – as defined under the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 and means a plan for the coordination of future subdivision and zoning of an area of land.

**STORAGE** - dedicated, secured and conveniently located areas for the storage of large or bulky items. This is to be in addition to any internal storage in kitchens, bathrooms and bedrooms.

**STOREY** - the portion of a building which is situated between the top of any floor and the top of the floor next above it and if there is no floor above it, that portion between the top of the floor and the ceiling above it but does not include:

- a basement
- a space that contains only a lift shaft, stairway or meter room
- a mezzanine
- a loft.

Double height floors greater than 5m floor to ceiling are counted as two floors.

**STORMWATER** - urban surface water runoff from rainfall events, consisting of rainfall runoff and any material (soluble and insoluble) mobilised in its path of flow.

STRATA LOT - refer to definition for a lot in a strata scheme.

STRATA PLAN - has the meaning given by section 4 (1a) of the Strata Titles Act 1985, as amended.

**STRATA SCHEME** - has the meaning given by section 9 of the Strata Titles Act 1985, as amended, and may include freehold or leasehold schemes.

**STRATA TITLES SCHEME** - has the meaning given by section 3 of the Strata Titles Act 1985 as amended, and means:

- a strata scheme: or
- a survey-strata scheme.

STREET - any public road, communal street, private street, right- of-way or other shared access way that provides the principal frontage to a dwelling but does not include an access leg to a single battleaxe lot.

STREET BOUNDARY - the boundary between the land comprising a street and the lands that abuts thereon.

**STREETSCAPE** - the visible components in a **street** between the facing buildings, including the form of the buildings, garages, setbacks, fencing, driveways, utility services, street surfaces, street trees and street furniture such as lighting, signs, barriers and bus shelters.

**STREET SETBACK** - the horizontal distance between the street boundary and a building, measured at right angles (90 degrees) to the street boundary.

STREET SETBACK AREA - the area between the street boundary and a building.

STREET SETBACK LINE - the minimum distance between the street boundary and a building in accordance with Table B.

STRUCTURE PLAN - as defined under the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 and means a standard structure plan or a precinct structure plan.

**STUDIO** - a dwelling consisting of one habitable room that combines kitchen, living and sleeping space.

**SUNLIGHT** - direct beam radiation from the sun.

**SURVEY-STRATA** - a **lot** and associated **common property** as shown on a registered survey-strata plan prepared in accordance with section 4(1b) of the Strata Titles Act 1985, as amended.

SURVEY-STRATA LOT - refer to definition for lot in a survey-strata scheme.

**SURVEY-STRATA PLAN** - has the meaning given by section 3 of the Strata Titles Act 1985, as amended, and means a scheme plan for a survey-strata scheme.

**SURVEY-STRATA SCHEME** - has the meaning given by section 9 of the Strata Titles Act 1985, as amended, and may include freehold or leasehold schemes.

**SUSTAINABILITY/SUSTAINABLE** - meeting the needs of current and future generations through the integration of environmental protection, social advancement and economic prosperity.

SUSTAINABILITY INFRASTRUCTURE - sustainability infrastructure including, but not limited to solar collectors. invertors, batteries, electric vehicle charging, roof vents and rainwater tanks.

TERRACE - an outdoor area, usually paved and unroofed, that is connected to a **dwelling** and accessible from at least one room. May be at-grade or on a structure such as a podium or a roof.

THROUGH-LOT – a lot other than a corner lot with frontage to more than one constructed public street other than a right-of-way.

**UNENCLOSED** - An area that is not **enclosed**.

UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE - having features to enable use by people with a disability as defined by the NCC.

UNIVERSAL DESIGN - the design of products and environments that are inherently universally accessible. including older people and people with disability.

**VERANDAH** - a roofed open platform attached to a **dwelling**.

**VISUALLY PERMEABLE** - in reference to a wall, gate, door. screen or fence that the vertical surface, when viewed directly from the **street** or other public space, has:

- continuous vertical or horizontal gaps of 50mm or greater width occupying not less than one third of the total surface area:
- continuous vertical or horizontal gaps less than 50mm in width, occupying at least one half of the total surface area in aggregate; or
- a surface offering equal or lesser obstruction to view.

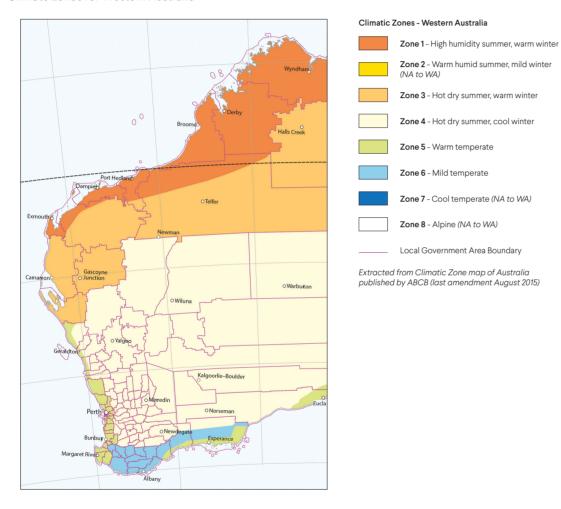
WALKABLE CATCHMENT - the actual area served within a walking distance along the **street** system from a public transport stop, town or neighbourhood centre.

WALL - the vertical external face of a constructed building comprising solid building material and including enclosures to verandahs and balconies.

WAPC - Western Australian Planning Commission.

WINTER SOLAR GAIN - the heating of the building interior due to sunlight penetration through windows or heating of the building mass.

#### Climate zones for Western Australia



# A2 Context and site analysis

The list below outlines the recommended documentation to assist in the preparation of context and site analysis and design response.

Category	Materials
Neighbourhood context	A plan or aerial photo showing the site in relation to neighbourhood context including the location of:  i. civic / community and activity centres including local shops, schools and libraries  ii. public open space and bushland, such as parks and sporting ovals  iii. transport within a 5-10 minute walk. Include walkable catchments from the site (show a 400m radius and 800m radius circle from the site)
Street context	Plan(s), photographs or other documentation of features of the street context, including properties adjoining the development site and on the other side of the street, to show:  i. prevailing breezes, and shadows from natural or built features surrounding built form patterns and typologies, including existing and proposed building envelopes and heights (storeys and metres), important parapet/datum lines of adjacent buildings, setbacks and subdivision pattern  iii. patterns of building frontages, street setbacks and side setbacks iv. streetscape including land uses and planned development, staging or redevelopment outcomes v. movement and access for vehicles (including service vehicles), pedestrians and cyclists vi. topography, landscape, open spaces and vegetation viii. significant views to and from the site viii. any sources of nuisance emissions in the vicinity of the site such as noise, light, and odour, that may have a bearing on the residential proposal, particularly vehicular traffic, train, aircraft and industrial noise ix. location of relevant heritage places or features, areas of environmental significance, and elements of cultural significance
Site context	A site plan showing at scale the following features:  i. lot boundaries, site dimensions, site area, north point, street frontage, street name, lot number and address geotechnical conditions including rock outcrops, watercourses topography showing relative levels and contours at 0.5 metre intervals for the site and across site boundaries where level changes exist v. unique geological features, such as watercourses, bores and rock outcrops v. location, type and size of significant existing trees and/or significant landscaping features on site and on adjoining streets and properties, including relative levels where relevant; vi. location, use, dimensions, setback distances of existing buildings or built features (including outbuildings, retaining walls and other structures) on the site vii. locations and levels of existing buildings and structures on adjacent lots that might affect, or be affected by, the proposed development, including habitable room windows, solar collectors, and designated primary garden areas or private open space, walls and fences, parapets and ridge lines, and any other relevant features viii. pedestrian and vehicular access points, driveways and features such as crossovers, truncations, service poles, bus stops, fire hydrants and access restrictions (e.g. road islands adjacent to the site) ix. location of services utilities and infrastructure, including water, gas, power, solar collectors, telecommunications, sewerage and drainage, and accompanying inspection points and easements
Design response	Sketches, drawings or diagrams as needed, to demonstrate response to context and site.

# **A3 Application documentation**

The list below outlines the documentation recommended to be submitted for an application for residential development under R-Codes Volume 1. Proponents should also refer to application requirements that may be specific to a decision-maker. The recommended material is in addition to that required under cl. 63, part 8 in Schedule 2 of the Regulations. Some of the material will not be relevant for all applications and material should be prepared and submitted that is appropriate for site specific reasons such as scale, complexity or design approach. Early consultation should be undertaken with the decision-maker to confirm application documentation requirements. Where the application is for an addition or alteration to an existing dwelling, the material submitted should relate to the alteration or addition.

#### **Application requirements legend**

Information necessary to inform assessment

Information may be needed dependent on circumstances

Information unlikely to be required

		Proposal Type					
Category	Materials	Part B All residential development	Part B & C Addition or alteration to existing dwelling	Part C Single house or grouped dwelling	Part C  Multiple dwelling or larger scale grouped or mixed proposals		
	Summary table or document of key details of the <b>development</b> proposal, including the following:						
Development proposal summary	<ul> <li>i. compliance of proposal with objective and relevant provisions of local planning framework for development site</li> <li>ii. proposed average and minimum site areas</li> <li>iii. number, height, mix, size and accessibility of the development</li> <li>iv. number of parking spaces for occupants, visitors, bicycles and motorcycle/scooters (where required by decision-maker)</li> </ul>	✓	×	✓	✓		
Context and site analysis and design response	Documentation prepared during the project investigation phase. Refer A2 Context and site analysis.	<b>✓</b>	_	<b>✓</b>	✓		
SPP7.0 Design Principles statement	A statement of key points to document how the proposal satisfies the 10 Design Principles of State Planning Policy 7.0 Design of the Built Environment (where required by <b>decision-maker</b> )	_	×	_	✓		
R-Codes Vol.1 Design Principles	Justification for where an element <b>design principle</b> pathway is to apply, rather than the <b>deemed-to-comply</b> provision.  This justification may refer to the findings from the context and site analysis, intent, SPP 7.0 <b>design principles</b> , and <b>local planning framework</b> and R Codes Volume 1 objectives as justification in support of the design principle pathway.	<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>		
Other supporting information	<ul> <li>i. Waste Management Plan (where required by decision-maker)</li> <li>ii. Illustrative views (where required by decision-maker)</li> </ul>	X	×	_	<b>✓</b>		

		Proposal Type				
Category	Materials		Part B & C Addition or alteration to existing dwelling	Part C Single house or grouped dwelling	Part C  Multiple dwelling or larger scale grouped or mixed proposals	
Site plan	<ul> <li>i. property details, north point and scale bar, and existing contours and/or spot levels</li> <li>ii. the position and dimension of major openings to any active habitable spaces in a wall of an adjoining building, private open spaces, and primary garden areas, within 6m of a boundary of a development site</li> <li>iii. the position, type, and size of any existing trees (indicate which are to be retained and which are to be removed) and/or significant landscaping features</li> <li>iv. the position and level of proposed and existing buildings, street fences, retaining walls and other structures</li> <li>v. location and size of primary garden area, private open space, including areas to be landscaped</li> <li>vi. proposed finished site levels (if any change from existing levels)</li> <li>vii. the position of access-ways for pedestrians and vehicle, and on-site and off-site car parking spaces</li> <li>viii. site area boundaries including any proposed strata lots (where required by decision-maker)</li> <li>ix. the horizontal position, floor levels and positions of all openings of existing and proposed building(s)</li> <li>x. details of measures proposed to reduce overlooking, indicating cone of vision as they relate to the adjoining properties</li> </ul>	<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	
Development drawings	<ul> <li>Scale drawing (typically 1:100) showing:</li> <li>i. all floor plans, including lengths, articulation and their distances from the boundaries of the site</li> <li>iii. internal floor plans and layouts for proposed dwellings/extensions – this includes window position, indicative furniture layouts, room dimensions and room names, size of circulation space</li> <li>iii. location and dimension of primary garden areas, deep soil areas, private open spaces and service areas</li> <li>iv. dimension of storage areas, waste management and parking</li> <li>v. all elevations, including all privacy devices, service utilities and infrastructure, with the existing and natural ground levels, wall heights and total building heights related to Australian Height Datum (AHD), contours at maximum intervals of 0.5m</li> <li>vi. proposed materials, colours and finishes of the exterior of the development, including façade, roof and dwelling entries</li> <li>vii. cross-sections through any proposed areas of excavation or fill with the relevant existing, natural and proposed levels related to Australian Height Datum (AHD), contours at maximum intervals of 0.5m</li> <li>viii. ceiling heights for primary living space</li> <li>ix. sufficient details and accompanying information to demonstrate compliance with the relevant provisions of universally accessible dwellings AS4299 Adaptable housing and Livable Housing Design Guidelines (Livable Housing Australia, 2017) (where required by decision-maker)</li> </ul>	<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	

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Landscape plan	<ul> <li>i. the development footprint and site boundary</li> <li>ii. street tree location</li> <li>iii. existing on-site trees to be removed and trees to be retained, including trunk, canopy size and root protection areas</li> <li>iv. position and size (canopy and height) of trees on adjoining properties, and root protection areas</li> <li>v. position, type, and size of proposed trees to be planted on site including root protection areas</li> <li>vi. position, type, and size of proposed soft landscaping, including groundcovers and shrubs and/or significant landscaping features</li> <li>vii. size and dimension of deep soil areas</li> <li>viii. communal open spaces where provided</li> <li>ix. the position of built landscape elements, including fences, pathways, swimming pools and spas, pergolas, walls, retaining walls, planters and water features</li> <li>x. type of permeable, semi-permeable and impermeable surfaces including roof cover and ground surfaces, indicating the size of deep soil area encroachments</li> <li>xi. stormwater management and irrigation concept design</li> <li>xii. site lighting</li> </ul>	<b>✓</b>	×	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>		
Building performance diagrams	<ul> <li>Scale drawing showing:</li> <li>i. plans and sections of sufficient information to explain how the adjoining properties could be affected by visual privacy and the appropriate measures applied</li> <li>ii. plans and sections of sufficient information (including primary living spaces and solar collectors of adjoining properties) to explain how the adjoining properties would be affected by overshadowing</li> <li>iii. a solar diagram showing solar access for the primary living space and communal open space where provided</li> <li>iv. location and size of openings to habitable rooms to demonstrate natural ventilation</li> <li>v. sections where necessary to demonstrate shading achieved through shading structures such as eaves, louvres or awnings</li> </ul>	<b>✓</b>	_	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>		