

**July 2017 - Amendments of the Director's Determination –  
Categories of Plumbing work (V.1.0 - December 2016)**

**General**

<b>Item/ Clause No.</b>	<b>Issue raised</b>	<b>Proposed Determination change</b>
Definitions	Conform to NCC/ BA 2016	Wording reviewed and made consistent with those referenced documents  Explanatory information has been moved to the back of the Determination to differentiate it from mandatory information
Explanatory information	Clearly separate from mandatory content	Explanatory information moved to the back of the Determination
All	Forms	New Column to reference the Approved Form

**Category I - Low Risk work by owner, competent person or licensed plumber**

<b>New Clause No.</b>	<b>Issue</b>	<b>Proposed Determination change</b>
various	various	Minor changes to wording to clarify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requirements for installation of backflow prevention devices; and</li> <li>• Water tanks for fire-fighting purposes must meet minimum requirements as Determined by the Director</li> </ul>

**Category 2a Low Risk plumbing work by licensed plumber/ with no “notification”**

<b>New Clause No.</b>	<b>Issue</b>	<b>Proposed Determination change</b>
2.0.2	Stormwater drains	Applies to all classes of buildings
2.0.3 (new)	Repairs to stormwater drainage	New clause added
2.0.11	Temperature control valve	Clarify/ specify types of devices covered
2.0.13	Stormwater drainage from sheds, including subsoil dispersion	New clause added
2.1.1	New above ground rainwater tanks	Moved from permit work category
2.1.3	Connection of unregistrable relocatable buildings	Moved from Permit Work

## Category 2b – Low Risk Work and Post construction notification

Item/ Clause No.	Issue	Proposed Determination change
2B	Level of documentation post construction	Just for “in-ground” drainage only (sewer and stormwater)
2.3.1 (new)	Charged pipes from sheds to tanks	New clause added
2.3.1 (new)	Sanitary drainage and supply	Work on existing services with no increase in fixture load (was previously in Category 3 Notifiable Work)
2.3.2 (new)	New heated water installation	Work on existing services with no increase in fixture load (was previously in Category 3 Notifiable Work)
2.3.5 (new)	Stormwater for new/ enlarged sheds	If that meets minimum size of hydraulic load, a “standard connection” (100mm) is permissible. As a guide, catchment area if less than 290m <sup>2</sup> . Over that size it becomes Notifiable Work
2.3.6 (new)	New charged downpipes from a roof to a rainwater tank	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Class I or IO buildings only</li> <li>installation Requirements in new Director’s Determination of charged downpipes</li> </ul>

## Category 3 – Notifiable Plumbing Work

Item/ Clause No.	Issue	Proposed Determination change
3.0.1	Stormwater	Covers new work that does not come under clause 2.3.5
3.0.2	Sanitary plumbing and drainage	Covers only new work that increases fixture loading
3.0.4	Heated water	Covers only new work that increases fixture loading
3.0.6	Fire services	Note inserted that removal/ disconnection of a fire hydrant (without replacement) requires advice of a building surveyor on the consequences of that removal for fire safety requirements.

## Category 4 – Permit Plumbing Work

Item/ Clause No.	Issue	Proposed Determination change
Specific clauses	Addition of separate Limitations and Explanatory notes	The “examples” previously provided are now specific clauses of mandatory requirements for those work types
4.0.2 (new)	Karst landscape areas in Meander Valley municipality	Addition of requirements for work in Karst Areas in Meander Valley municipality and map of affected area as Appendix 2.

4.2.0 (new)	Relocated sub-clause	Multi stack work on commercial buildings
4.2.6	Designs with Performance Solutions	Excludes charged downpipes for sheds as that now covered by new clause
4.3.0 (new)	Other types of High Risk Work	Part includes some relocated sub-clauses

## Explanatory Notes

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Explanatory Notes	Additions	<p>General guide to interpretation of the Determination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All plumbing work may be approved under the one approval process</li> <li>• Meaning of “As constructed drawings” and when they are required</li> <li>• “Karst landscapes” explained (in relation to new clause 4.0.2)</li> <li>• The NCC building classification system clauses inserted as a reference resource</li> </ul>
Definitions	Additional definitions	<p>“Essential Building Services”</p> <p>“Farm Shed”</p> <p>“Fixture load”</p> <p>“Nuisance”</p>