



CodeMark Australia Certification Scheme

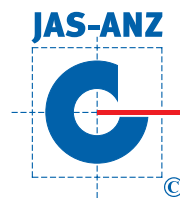
What is the CodeMark Australia Certification Scheme?

CodeMark Australia is a voluntary third-party building product certification scheme owned by the Commonwealth of Australia acting on behalf of the Commonwealth and all States and Territories. It supports the use of new or innovative building products in specified circumstances in Australia by providing a nationally accepted process for demonstrating compliance with the requirements of Volumes One and Two of the National Construction Code, also known as the Building Code of Australia or BCA.

A Certificate of Conformity is one of several options available for meeting the 'Evidence of Suitability' requirements of the BCA.

The obligations on building control authorities to accept a Certificate of Conformity is determined by the relevant State or Territory legislation, policy or directive. You should check with your building control authority to determine if a Certificate of Conformity is an appropriate form of evidence of suitability for the specific product and your project.

CodeMark Australia provides confidence about the conformance of certified products with the requirements of the BCA.





Who is responsible for the administration of the scheme?

The Joint Accreditation System of Australia and New Zealand (JAS-ANZ) is the Scheme Administrator and Accreditation Body for CodeMark Australia. Only JAS-ANZ accredited Certification Bodies can issue CodeMark Australia Certificates of Conformity.

How do I get a product certified under the CodeMark Australia scheme?

Accredited CodeMark Australia Certification Bodies are responsible for evaluating applications for Certificates of Conformity in accordance with the CodeMark Australia Scheme Rules. These Rules can be downloaded from the ABCB's website www.abcb.gov.au.

Certificates of Conformity can only be issued for products that need to comply with the BCA.

If you are considering applying for a Certificate of Conformity, you should contact one of the CodeMark Australia Certification Bodies listed on the JAS-ANZ website (www.jas-anz.org) to find out what information you need to supply, what fees will be charged and how long the process is likely to take.

The cost of CodeMark Australia certification will depend on a number of factors, including the quality of supporting evidence submitted about the product's compliance and the complexity of the evaluation needed. All fees for CodeMark Australia certification are a commercial arrangement between the applicant and the CodeMark Australia Certification Body.

The information you may need to supply to a Certification Body could include:

- a clear scope of use for the product
- the relevant BCA provisions the certification is to cover
- product technical information/specifications
- product test results
- any independent assessments or appraisals.

More Information

To find out how to become an accredited CodeMark Australia Certification Body or to obtain more detail about the Scheme:

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