



Building newsflash

Guideline for Queensland Development Code Mandatory Part 6.1— Maintenance of fire safety installations

Purpose

To advise that a guideline for the Queensland Development Code (QDC) Mandatory Part (MP) 6.1—Maintenance of fire safety installations is now available on the department's <u>website</u>.

Background

Building fire safety maintenance standards were transferred from the Building Fire Safety Regulation 2008 into the QDC. Standards for the maintenance of fire safety installations are now contained in MP 6.1—Maintenance of fire safety installations and came into effect 1 January 2009.

QDC MP 6.1 was developed to set appropriate performance standards for maintenance of prescribed fire safety installations for the safe occupation of buildings and to specify the maintenance records that are required. The code reduces the regulatory burden by limiting the application of section 17 of Australian Standard 1851–2005, with respect to selected passive fire and smoke containment systems. The code simplifies the occupier's reporting requirements with a yearly occupier's statement to be completed which confirms that fire safety installations have been maintained.

This guideline is issued under section 258 of the *Building Act 1975* which allows for guidelines to be made to help compliance with the *Building Act 1975*.

Legislation

- Queensland Development Code
- Building Act 1975
- Building Regulation 2006
- Building Fire Safety Regulation 2008

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