



Building Newsflash

QFRS – Policy on Fire Engineered Alternative Solutions

Purpose

To advise that the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service (QFRS) has published a policy paper with respect to performance-based alternative solutions that utilise fire engineering principles and methodologies.

Background

Under the *Integrated Planning Act 1997* and associated legislation, any application for building work which incorporates special fire services or an alternative solution assessed against the performance requirements of the Building Code of Australia for the fire safety system, must be referred to the QFRS for advice.

Under Section 3.3.15 of the *Integrated Planning Act*, each referral agency must, within the limits of its jurisdiction, assess the application against the laws administered by, and the policies applied by, the referral agency.

The QFRS's Policy on Fire Engineered Alternative Solutions provides details of QFRS's proposed approach to performance-based *alternative solutions* that utilise fire engineering principles and methodologies.

The QFRS is seeking comments from interested persons on the content of the document, a copy of which is attached.

Additional information about building fire safety may be accessed at www.fire.qld.gov.au/buildingsafety.

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