

End-of-trip facilities

For new major developments

What are end-of trip facilities?

End-of-trip facilities are broadly described as dedicated places that support people using non-motorised ways to travel to their destination rather than driving or taking public transport.

They include secure bicycle racks, lockers and change rooms where cyclists, joggers and walkers can shower, change and secure their belongings.

Bicycle parking and storage facilities should be easily accessible to users and located within the building or on-site within 100 metres of a main entrance to the building.

When are end-of-trip facilities required?

End-of-trip facilities have been required under the *Queensland Development Code 4.1—Sustainable buildings* (QDC 4.1) since 26 November 2010.

Where are end-of-trip facilities required?

End-of-trip facilities are required in all new major developments located in designated local government areas (as listed in Schedule 1 of the QDC 4.1). Major developments are defined as having a floor area greater than 2000 metres squared and are:

- office buildings
- shopping centres
- universities
- hospitals.

To ensure the QDC is flexible and relevant to local circumstances, local governments may also require additional bicycle parking and storage facilities, locker facilities and/or change rooms. Local governments are also able to expand the definition of a 'major development' to include a broader range of buildings through their planning scheme.

Non-designated local government areas may also adopt the QDC requirement for end-of-trip facilities through a local government planning scheme or by council resolution.

Some local governments have existing end-of-trip requirements in their planning scheme. These provisions may place additional requirements over those required by the QDC. For more information check with the relevant local government.

Do end-of-trip requirements apply to existing buildings?

Building owners are not required to make changes to their existing major developments unless they carry out a major renovation resulting in additional floor area of at least 1000 metres squared.

Are there concessions to this code?

In some circumstances it may not be appropriate for a major development to include end-of-trip facilities, for example, where the major development is a significant distance from a population centre or where road conditions would be hazardous to cyclists.

In these instances the building application will be referred to the local government to determine whether the major development should be exempt from the QDC requirements.

How do end-of-trip facilities benefit Queenslanders?

These building requirements can encourage people to use non-motorised transport options and promote a healthy, more active population.

End-of-trip facilities also support to increase cycling and walking trips, public transport use and reduce car trips.

Improved work places

Studies indicate that building owners and tenants can also expect significant benefits from including end-of-trip facilities. This can include a healthier workforce, increased staff well-being, higher productivity, an improved corporate image and reduced demand for car parking.

For more information

For more information refer to the *QDC 4.1—Sustainable buildings* and the associated guideline. Both are available on the Department of Housing and Public Works website www.hpw.qld.gov.au/construction/BuildingPlumbing.