

# AUSTRALIA'S FEDERATED SYSTEM

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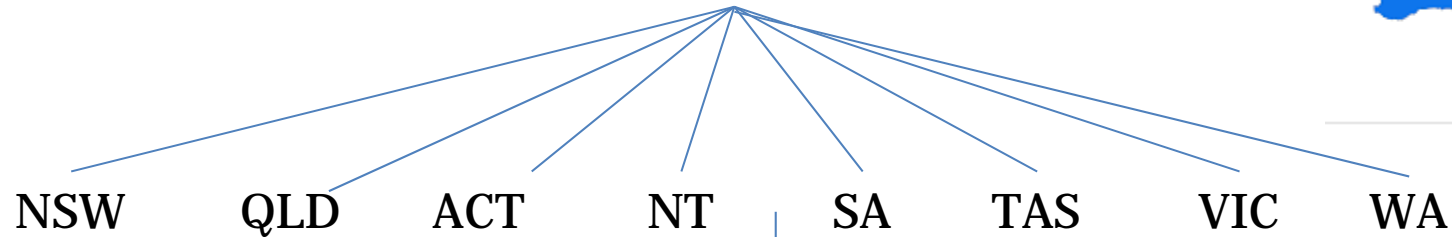
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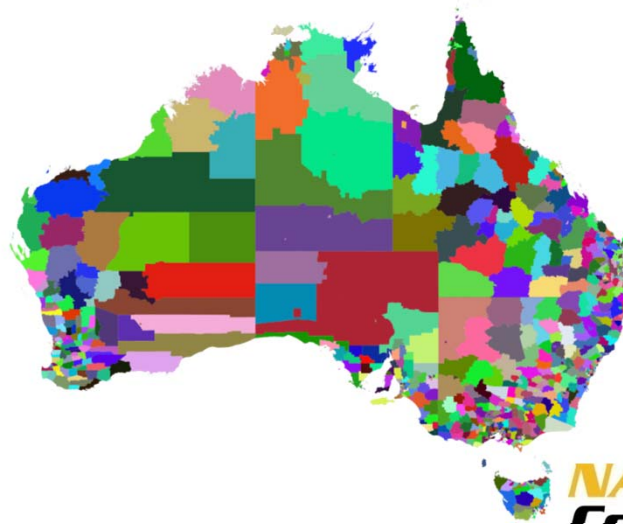
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# Australia

Federation of 8 States and Territories



with 537 Local Councils



**Codes** – *The regulatory control rules as determined by government. Generally codes are mandatory.*

**Standards** – *The technical requirements, generally as outlined by a standards body or government department. Many but not all standards are referenced in the code.*

**Specifications**, or more correctly construction specifications, are written descriptions of a technical nature for material, equipment standard and quality, and are used by the designer or client to communicate the project requirements to the contractor. Standards, and other requirements, referenced in the specification become contractually required.

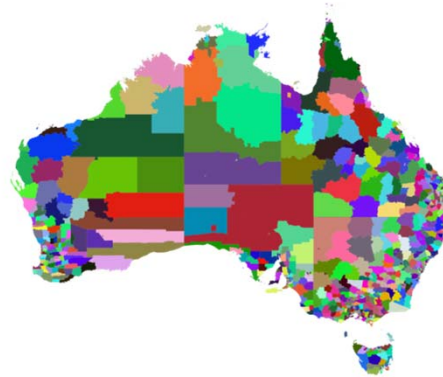
# Major Bridges and Transport

Bridges are usually governed by a special government department within each of the 8 State and Territories. Each has its own standards and specification but they share information with each other.



# Roads

Major roads are have a national technical body, Austroads, but are governed by each of the 8 State and Territories with local roads under the asset management of the 537 local councils. Many of the local councils use AUS-SPEC.



*Austroads*

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# AUS-SPEC for life cycle management of assets for Local Government



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# Buildings

National Construction Code

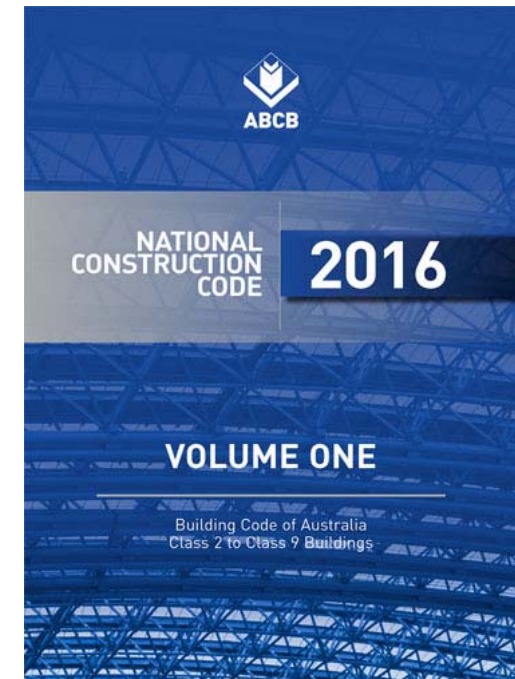


State legislation of code, with variations

NSW QLD ACT NT SA TAS VIC WA



Local Councils planning requirements



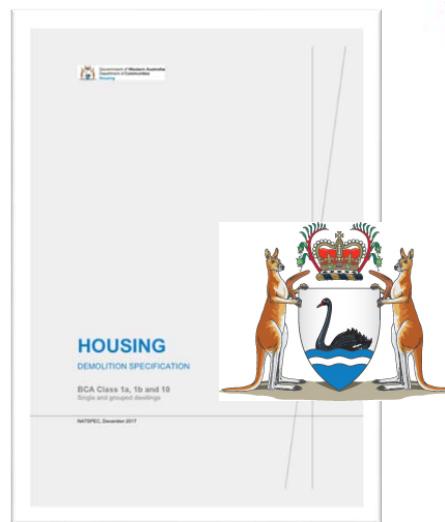
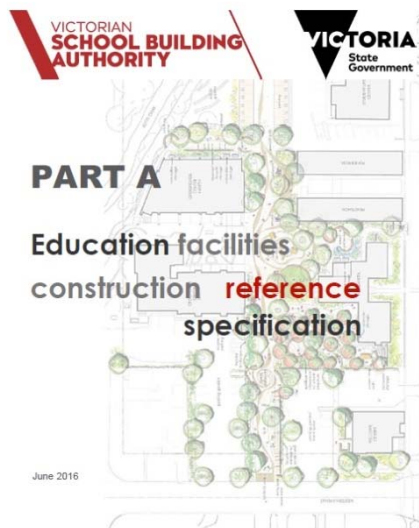


# Government Buildings

National Construction Code - mandatory

Government Client Requirements – additional, as documented in NATSPEC and project documents.

Australian Standards – as documented in NATSPEC



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