## **Alternative Solution Application**



An alternative solution is all or part of a building design that demonstrates compliance with the New Zealand Building Code (NZBC) but differs completely or partially from the Acceptable Solutions or Verification Methods.

In completing this application, you must provide the Building Consent Authority (BCA) with evidence to show how your proposed alternative solution will meet the performance requirements of the NZBC. Sections 14D and 14E of the Building Act 2004 outline the responsibilities of a designer and builder to design and carry out building work which will comply with the NZBC.

The BCA will only approve an alternative solution once it is satisfied, on reasonable grounds that the proposal will meet the performance requirements of the NZBC that are applicable to the proposal. In approving an alternative solution, the BCA may require additional inspections, monitoring, or documentation to support the building work associated with the alternative solution.

## More information can be found at:

https://www.building.govt.nz/building-code-compliance/how-the-building-codeworks/different-ways-to-comply/alternative-solutions/

| *Required Field  |  |  |  |  |
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| Scope and Details of Proposed Alternative Solution       |  |  |  |  |
| * Address of Proposed Alternative Solution               |  |  |  |  |
| * Description and Scope of Proposed Alternative Solution |  |  |  |  |

\* The following clauses of the Building Code and Building Code Performance requirements are applicable to this proposed Alternative Solution (your proposal may affect multiple codes; ensure you have selected them all)

| B1 | Structure                                      | F1 | Hazardous Agents on Site                          | G5  | Interior Environment    |
|----|--|----|---|-----|-------------------------|
| B2 | Durability                                     | F2 | Hazardous Building Materials                      | G6  | Airborne & Impact Sound |
| C1 | Objectives of Clauses C2-C6                    | F3 | Hazardous Substances & Processes                  | G7  | Natural Lighting        |
| C2 | Prevention from Fire Occurring                 | F4 | Safety from Falling                               | G8  | Artificial Light        |
| C3 | Fire Affecting Areas Beyond the Source         | F5 | Construction & Demolition Hazards                 | G9  | Electricity             |
| C4 | Movement to a Place of Safety                  | F6 | Visibility in Escape Routes                       | G10 | Piped Services          |
| C5 | Access & Safety for Firefighting<br>Operations | F7 | Warning Systems                                   | G11 | Gas as an Energy Source |
| C6 | Structural Stability                           | F8 | Signs   | G12 | Water Supplies          |
| D1 | Access Routes                                  | F9 | Restricting Access to Residential Pools           | G13 | Foul Water              |
| D2 | Mechanical Installations for Access            | G1 | Personal Hygiene                                  | G14 | Industrial Liquid Waste |
| E1 | Surface Water                                  | G2 | Laundering  | G15 | Solid Waste             |
| E2 | External Moisture                              | G3 | Food Preparation & Prevention of<br>Contamination | H1  | Energy Efficiency       |
| E3 | Internal Moisture                              | G4 | Ventilation                                       |     |                         |

\* Applicable Building Code Performance Requirements

(e.g. Proposed Alternative Solution for all window flashing details, Clauses B2.3.1, E2.3.2, E2.3.5, E2.3.7)

| Supporting Evidence |  |  |                              |  |  |  |  |
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|                     | * Please note and attach all supplementary evidence that you are providing the BCA in support of your proposed<br>Alternative Solution |  |                              |  |  |  |  |
|                     | Expert opinion, e.g., a weather tightness report from a member of the New Zealand Institute of Building Surveyors                      |  |                              |  |  |  |  |
|                     | Manufacturer's site-specific compliance assessment or supporting documentation.  |  |                              |  |  |  |  |
|                     | Comparison with an Acceptable Solution, BRANZ appraisal, CodeMark or similar   |  |                              |  |  |  |  |
|                     | Comparison with a system, method previously accepted by a BCA (provide stamped approved details, consent number and approving BCA)     |  |                              |  |  |  |  |
|                     | In-service history   |  | Calculations or test method  |  |  |  |  |
|                     | Comparison with MBIE determination   |  | Producer statement           |  |  |  |  |
|                     | Peer review  |  | Product technical statements |  |  |  |  |
|                     | Other (provide details)  |  |                              |  |  |  |  |
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| Declaration  |                               |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Complete this section if you did not note the alternative solution in the means of compliance section on the Form 2 application for building consent.                |                               |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In signing this form, I acknowledge that I have the owner's approval to act on their behalf and that they are aware of this application for an alternative solution. |                               |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| * Name   | LBP Number<br>(if applicable) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| * Signature  | * Date                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| Building Consent Number       |          | Proposal I | has been | Accepted |  | Declined |  |  |  |
| OSCAR                         | Existing | New        | N/A      |          |  |          |  |  |  |
| Reason for acceptance/refusal |          |            |          |          |  |          |  |  |  |
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| Reviewing Officer Name        |          |            | Date     |          |  |          |  |  |  |