

Nationwide House Energy Rating Scheme®

NatHERS® Certificate No. #HR-H8OI77-01

Thermal performance
star rating

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Property

Address 7 Armstrong Place, Young, NSW, 2594
Lot/DP L3 DP1310813
NCC Class* 1a
Floor/all Floors 1 of 1 floors
Type New

Plans

Main Plan REFER TO STAMPED PLANS
Prepared by OAR

Construction and environment

Assessed floor area (m²)*	Exposure Type
Conditioned* 198.3	Suburban
Unconditioned* 14.4	NatHERS climate zone
Total 254.8	20 - Wagga AMO
Garage 42.1	



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NCC Requirements

BCA provisions Volume 2
State/Territory variation Yes

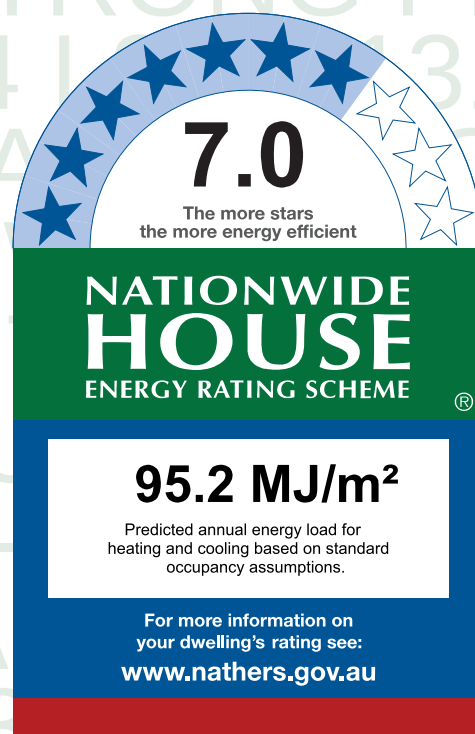
National Construction Code (NCC) requirements

The NCC allows the use of NatHERS accredited software to comply with the energy efficiency requirements for houses (Class 1 buildings) and apartments (Class 2 sole-occupancy units and Class 4 parts of buildings). The applicable requirements for houses are detailed in Specification 42 of NCC Volume Two. For apartments the requirements are detailed in clauses J2D2(2)(a) and (3) of NCC Volume One.

NCC 2022 includes enhanced thermal performance requirements for houses and apartments. It also includes a new whole-of-home annual energy use budget which applies to the major equipment in the home.

The NCC, and associated ABCB Standards and support material, can be accessed at www.abcb.gov.au.

Note, variations and additions to the NCC energy efficiency requirements may apply in some states and territories.



Thermal performance (MJ/m²)

Limits taken from ABCB Standard 2022

	Heating	Cooling
Modelled	85.9	9.3
Load limits	90	33

Features determining load limits

Floor type	
(lowest conditioned area)	CSOG
NCC climate zone 1 or 2	N
Outdoor living area	N
Outdoor living area ceiling fan N	

Whole of Home performance rating

No Whole of Home
performance rating
generated for this
certificate.

Verification

To verify this certificate, scan
the QR code or visit

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* Refer to glossary.

About the ratings

Thermal performance rating

NatHERS thermal software models the expected heating and cooling energy loads using information about the design, construction, climate and common patterns of household use. The thermal performance rating (shown as a star rating on this Certificate) does not take into account appliances, apart from the airflow impacts from ceiling fans.

Whole of Home performance rating

NatHERS Whole of Home software uses the heating and cooling energy loads combined with the energy performance of the home's appliances (heating, cooling, hot water, lighting, pool/spa pump and onsite renewable energy generation and storage) and models the expected energy value* of the whole home. The Whole of Home performance rating is shown as a score out of 100 on this Certificate.

Heating and Cooling Load Limits

Additional information

In some locations under the NCC NatHERS pathway, separate heating and cooling load limits may apply. Minimum required star ratings in northern parts of Australia may also be affected by the presence or absence of an outdoor living area and/or an outdoor living area ceiling fan. Refer to the *ABCB Standard: NatHERS heating and cooling load limits* for details or contact the relevant local building regulating authority, noting that State and Territory variations may also apply.

Setting options:

Floor type:

- CSOG - Concrete Slab on Ground
- SF - Suspended Floor (or a mixture of CSOG and SF)
- NA - Not Applicable

NCC climate Zone 1 or 2:

- Yes
- No
- NA - Not Applicable

Outdoor living area:

- Yes
- No
- NA - Not Applicable

Outdoor living area ceiling fan:

- Yes
- No
- NA - Not Applicable



Predicted onsite renewable energy impact

No Whole of Home performance assessment conducted for this certificate.

Predicted Whole of Home annual impact by appliance

Shows the contribution each appliance has on the home's annual energy use, greenhouse gas emissions and cost without solar.

Energy use:

No Whole of Home performance assessment conducted for this certificate.

Greenhouse gas emissions:

No Whole of Home performance assessment conducted for this certificate.

Cost:

No Whole of Home performance assessment conducted for this certificate.

Certificate check

The checklist covers important items impacting the dwelling's ratings.

It is recommended that the accuracy of the whole certificate is checked.

Note: The boxes indicate when and who should check each item.

It is not mandatory to complete this checklist.

Approval stage		Construction stage		
Assessor checked	Consent authority/ surveyor checked	Builder checked	Consent authority/ surveyor checked	Occupancy/other

Genuine certificate check

Does this Certificate match the one available at the web address or QR code verification link on the front page?

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Does the NatHERS certificate number on the NatHERS-stamped plans match the number on this Certificate?

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Thermal performance check

Windows and glazed doors

Does the window size, opening type and location shown on the NatHERS-stamped plans or as installed match what is shown in 'Window and glazed door schedule' and 'Roof window schedule' tables on this Certificate?

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Does the installed windows meet the substitution tolerances (AFRC* based SHGC* and U-values*) as shown in the 'Window and glazed door type and performance' and 'Roof window type and performance' tables on this Certificate?

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External walls

Does the external wall bulk insulation (R-value) shown on the NatHERS-stamped plans or as installed match what is shown in the 'External wall type table' on this Certificate?

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Does the external wall shade (colour) match what is shown in the 'External wall type' table on this Certificate?

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Floor

Does the floor insulation (R-value) shown on the NatHERS-stamped plans or as installed match what is shown in the 'Floor type' table on this certificate?

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Ceiling penetrations*

Does the 'quantity' and 'type' of ceiling penetrations* (e.g. downlights, exhaust fans, etc) shown on the NatHERS-stamped plans or as installed match what is shown in the 'Ceiling penetrations' table on this Certificate?

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Ceiling

Does the ceiling insulation (R-value) shown on the NatHERS-stamped plans or as installed match what is shown in the 'Ceiling type' table on this Certificate?

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Roof

Does the external roof shade (colour) on the NatHERS stamped plans or as installed match what is shown in the 'Roof type' table on this Certificate?

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Apartment entrance doors (NCC Class 2 assessments only)

Does the 'External Door Schedule' show apartment entrance doors? Please note that an "external door" between the modelled dwelling and a shared space, such as an enclosed corridor or foyer, should not be included in the assessment (because it overstates the possible ventilation) and would invalidate the Certificate.

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Exposure*

Has the appropriate exposure type (terrain) (shown on page 1) been applied? For example, it is unlikely that a ground-floor apartment is "exposed" or a top floor high-rise apartment is "protected".

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Heating and cooling load limits*

Do the load limits settings (shown on page 1) match what is shown on the NatHERS-stamped plans?

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* Refer to glossary.

Certificate check

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Approval stage		Construction stage		
Assessor checked	Consent authority/ surveyor checked	Builder checked	Consent authority/ surveyor checked	Occupancy/other

Additional NCC requirements for thermal performance (not included in the NatHERS assessment)

Thermal bridging

Does the dwelling meet the NCC requirement for thermal bridging?		☐	☐	☐	☐
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Insulation installation method

Has the insulation been installed according to the NCC requirements?			☐	☐	☐
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Building sealing

Does the dwelling meet the NCC requirements for Building Sealing?		☐	☐	☐	☐
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Whole of Home performance check (not applicable if a Whole of Home assessment is not conducted)

Appliances

Does the cooling appliance/s type, location and efficiency/performance shown on the NatHERS-stamped plans or as installed match the location and minimum efficiency/performance requirements shown in the 'Appliance schedule' on this Certificate?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
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Does the heating appliance/s type, location and efficiency/performance shown on the NatHERS-stamped plans or as installed, match the location and minimum efficiency/performance requirements shown in the 'Appliance schedule' on this Certificate?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
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Does the hot water system type and efficiency/performance shown on the NatHERS-stamped plans or as installed match the location and minimum efficiency/performance requirements shown in the 'Appliance schedule' on this Certificate?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
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Does the pool pump efficiency/performance shown on the NatHERS-stamped plans or as installed match the minimum efficiency/performance requirements shown in the 'Appliance schedule' on this Certificate?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
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Does the onsite renewable energy system type, orientation and system size or generation capacity shown on the NatHERS stamped plans or installed match the 'Onsite Renewable Energy schedule' on this Certificate?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
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Additional NCC Requirements for Services (not included in the NatHERS assessment)

Does the lighting meet the artificial lighting requirements specified in the NCC?		☐	☐	☐	☐
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Does the hot water system meet the additional requirements specified in the NCC?		☐	☐	☐	☐
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Provisional values* check

Have provisional values* been used in the assessment and, if so, are they noted in 'Additional notes' table below?	☐	☐			
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Other NCC requirements

Note: This Certificate only covers the energy efficiency requirements in the NCC. Additional requirements that must also be satisfied include, but are not limited to: condensation, structural and fire safety requirements and any state or territory variations to the NCC energy efficiency requirements.

Additional Notes

NatHERS alternative climate zone used due to site proximity.

Room schedule

Room	Zone Type	Area (m ²)
BEDROOM 3	Bedroom	14.00
BATH	Unconditioned	8.18
LDRY	Unconditioned	6.22
GARAGE	Garage	42.14
PAN	Day Time	7.79
ENS	Night Time	7.59
LOUNGE ROOM	Living	20.36
BEDROOM 2	Bedroom	16.41
BEDROOM 4	Bedroom	12.60
BEDROOM 1	Bedroom	17.77
WIR	Night Time	8.88
KITCHEN LIVING DINING	Kitchen/Living	66.59
ENTRY	Day Time	15.08
HALL	Day Time	11.23

Window and glazed door type and performance

Default* windows

Window ID	Window Description	Maximum U-value*	SHGC*	SHGC substitution tolerance ranges	
				lower limit	upper limit
ALM-003-01 A	Aluminium A DG Air Fill Clear-Clear	4.8	0.51	0.48	0.54
ALM-004-01 A	Aluminium B DG Air Fill Clear-Clear	4.8	0.59	0.56	0.62

Custom* windows

Window ID	Window Description	Maximum U-value*	SHGC*	SHGC substitution tolerance ranges	
				lower limit	upper limit

* Refer to glossary.

Custom* windows

Window ID	Window Description	Maximum U-value*	SHGC*	SHGC substitution tolerance ranges	
				lower limit	upper limit
None					

Window and glazed door schedule

Location	Window ID	Window no.	Height (mm)	Width (mm)	Window type	Opening %	Orient-ation	Shading device*
BATH	ALM-004-01 A	W15	1200	1500	Sliding	45	W	None
BEDROOM 1	ALM-004-01 A	W9	1800	1800	Sliding	35	N	None
BEDROOM 1	ALM-003-01 A	W8	2100	1800	Hinged Door	45	E	None
BEDROOM 2	ALM-004-01 A	W13	1200	1500	Sliding	45	W	None
BEDROOM 3	ALM-004-01 A	W1	1500	2100	Sliding	65	S	None
BEDROOM 4	ALM-004-01 A	W2	1500	2100	Sliding	65	S	None
ENS	ALM-003-01 A	W11	1800	600	Awning	90	W	None
GARAGE	ALM-004-01 A	W3	1200	1500	Sliding	45	E	None
KITCHEN LIVING DINING	ALM-003-01 A	W6	1800	900	Awning	90	E	None
KITCHEN LIVING DINING	ALM-003-01 A	W5	1800	900	Awning	90	E	None
KITCHEN LIVING DINING	ALM-004-01 A	W4	1200	2100	Fixed	0	E	None
KITCHEN LIVING DINING	ALM-004-01 A	W7	2100	4200	Sliding Door	45	N	None
LDRY	ALM-003-01 A	W14	1000	600	Awning	90	W	None
LDRY	ALM-003-01 A	LDRY GLASS DOOR	2100	820	Casement	90	W	None
LOUNGE ROOM	ALM-004-01 A	W12	1800	1800	Sliding	35	W	None
PAN	ALM-003-01 A	PAN GLASS DOOR	2100	820	Hinged Door	90	E	None
WIR	ALM-003-01 A	W10	1800	600	Awning	90	N	None

Roof window type and performance value

Default* roof windows

Window ID	Window Description	Maximum U-value*	SHGC*	SHGC substitution tolerance ranges	
				lower limit	upper limit
None					



Custom* roof windows

Window ID	Window Description	Maximum U-value*	SHGC*	SHGC substitution tolerance ranges	
				lower limit	upper limit
None					

Roof window schedule

Location	Window ID	Window no.	Opening %	Height (mm)	Width (mm)	Orient-ation	Outdoor shade	Indoor shade
None								

Skylight type and performance

Skylight ID	Skylight description
None	

Skylight schedule

Location	Skylight ID	Skylight No.	Skylight shaft length (mm)	Area (m ²)	Orient-ation	Outdoor shade	Diffuser	Shaft Reflectance
None								

External door schedule

Location	Height (mm)	Width (mm)	Opening %	Orientation
ENTRY	2040	1020	90	S

External wall type

Wall ID	Wall Type	Solar absorptance	Wall Colour	Bulk insulation (R-value)	Reflective wall wrap*
FC WALL	Fibre-Cement Clad Wall	0.50	Medium	2.70	No
Garage FC WALL	Garage Fibre-Cement Clad Wall	0.50	Medium	2.70	No

External wall schedule

Location	Wall ID	Height (mm)	Width (mm)	Orient-ation	Horizontal shading feature* projection (mm)	Vertical shading feature
BATH	FC WALL	2700	2203	W	454	Yes
BEDROOM 1	FC WALL	2700	3570	N	422	Yes
BEDROOM 1	FC WALL	2700	5551	E	8625	Yes
BEDROOM 2	FC WALL	2700	3093	W	454	Yes
BEDROOM 3	FC WALL	2700	4379	W	444	Yes

External wall *schedule*

Location	Wall ID	Height (mm)	Width (mm)	Orientation	Horizontal shading feature* projection (mm)	Vertical shading feature
BEDROOM 3	FC WALL	2700	889	N	402	Yes
BEDROOM 3	FC WALL	2700	3198	S	425	Yes
BEDROOM 4	FC WALL	2700	3178	S	1535	Yes
BEDROOM 4	FC WALL	2700	990	W	372	Yes
BEDROOM 4	FC WALL	2700	2030	E	2152	Yes
ENS	FC WALL	2700	1772	W	454	Yes
ENTRY	FC WALL	2700	1512	S	3565	Yes
GARAGE	Garage FC WALL	2700	1040	W		Yes
GARAGE	Garage FC WALL	2700	6484	E	428	Yes
GARAGE	Garage FC WALL	2700	6499	S	425	Yes
KITCHEN LIVING DINING	FC WALL	2700	8002	E	428	Yes
KITCHEN LIVING DINING	FC WALL	2700	8197	N	6088	Yes
LDRY	FC WALL	2700	1676	W	454	Yes
LOUNGE ROOM	FC WALL	2700	3693	W	454	Yes
LOUNGE ROOM	FC WALL	2700	185	E		No
LOUNGE ROOM	FC WALL	2700	108	N		Yes
PAN	FC WALL	2700	1789	E	428	Yes
WIR	FC WALL	2700	4693	W	454	Yes
WIR	FC WALL	2700	1893	N	422	Yes

Internal wall *type*

Wall ID	Wall Type	Area (m ²)	Bulk insulation
Garage	Garage Internal Plasterboard Stud Wall	30.6	2.00
INT-PB	Internal Plasterboard Stud Wall	129.6	0.00
Unconditioned	Unconditioned Internal Plasterboard Stud Wall	36.9	2.00

Floor type

Location	Construction	Area (m ²)	Sub-floor ventilation	Added insulation (R-value)	Covering
BATH	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	8.2	N/A	0.00	Tile (10mm)
BEDROOM 1	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	17.8	N/A	0.00	Carpet
BEDROOM 2	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	16.4	N/A	0.00	Carpet
BEDROOM 3	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	14.0	N/A	0.00	Carpet
BEDROOM 4	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	12.6	N/A	0.00	Carpet
ENS	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	7.6	N/A	0.00	Tile (10mm)
ENTRY	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	15.1	N/A	0.00	Tile (10mm)
GARAGE	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	42.1	N/A	0.00	Exposed
HALL	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	11.2	N/A	0.00	Tile (10mm)
KITCHEN LIVING DINING	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	66.6	N/A	0.00	Tile (10mm)
LDry	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	6.2	N/A	0.00	Tile (10mm)
LOUNGE ROOM	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	20.4	N/A	0.00	Carpet
PAN	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	7.8	N/A	0.00	Tile (10mm)
WIR	CSOG-100: Concrete Slab on Ground (100mm)	8.9	N/A	0.00	Carpet

Ceiling type

Location	Construction	Bulk insulation (R-value)	Reflective wrap*
BATH	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes
BEDROOM 1	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes
BEDROOM 2	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes
BEDROOM 3	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes
BEDROOM 4	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes
ENS	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes
ENTRY	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes
GARAGE	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes

* Refer to glossary.

Ceiling type

Location	Construction	Bulk insulation (R-value)	Reflective wrap*
HALL	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes
KITCHEN LIVING DINING	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes
LDRY	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes
LOUNGE ROOM	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes
PAN	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes
WIR	ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	7.00	Yes

Ceiling penetrations*

Location	Quantity	Type	Diameter (mm)	Sealed /unsealed
BATH	1	Downlight	100	Sealed
BATH	1	Exhaust Fan	350	Sealed
BEDROOM 1	3	Downlight	100	Sealed
BEDROOM 2	2	Downlight	100	Sealed
BEDROOM 3	2	Downlight	100	Sealed
BEDROOM 4	2	Downlight	100	Sealed
ENS	1	Downlight	100	Sealed
ENS	1	Exhaust Fan	350	Sealed
ENTRY	2	Downlight	100	Sealed
HALL	2	Downlight	100	Sealed
KITCHEN LIVING DINING	10	Downlight	100	Sealed
KITCHEN LIVING DINING	1	Exhaust Fan	350	Sealed
LDRY	1	Downlight	100	Sealed
LDRY	1	Exhaust Fan	350	Sealed
LOUNGE ROOM	3	Downlight	100	Sealed
PAN	1	Downlight	100	Sealed
WIR	1	Downlight	100	Sealed

* Refer to glossary.



Ceiling fans

Location	Quantity	Diameter (mm)
None		

Roof type

Construction	Added insulation (R-value)	Solar absorptance	Roof Colour
ATTIC-METAL-01: Pitched / Attic Metal Roof (Roofspace) & Flat PB Ceiling	1.30	0.85	Dark

Thermal bridging schedule for steel frame elements

Building element	Steel section dimensions (height x width, mm)	Frame spacing (mm)	Steel thickness (BMT mm)	Thermal Break (R-value)
None				

Appliance schedule

(not applicable if a Whole of Home performance assessment is not conducted for this certificate)

Cooling system

Type	Location	Fuel Type	Minimum efficiency / performance	Recommended capacity
No Whole of Home Data				

Heating system

Type	Location	Fuel Type	Minimum efficiency / performance	Recommended capacity
No Whole of Home Data				

Hot water system

Type	Fuel type	Hot Water CER Zone	Minimum efficiency / STC	Assessed daily load [litres]
No Whole of Home Data				

Pool / spa equipment

Type	Fuel type	Minimum efficiency / performance	Recommended capacity
No Whole of Home Data			

Onsite Renewable Energy schedule

Type	Orientation	Generation Capacity [kW]
No Whole of Home Data		

Battery schedule

Type	Storage Capacity [kWh]
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Battery *schedule*

Type	Storage Capacity [kWh]
No Whole of Home Data	

Explanatory Notes

About this report

NatHERS ratings are a reliable guide for comparing different dwelling designs and to demonstrate that designs meet the energy efficiency requirements in the National Construction Code.

NatHERS ratings use computer modelling to evaluate a home's energy efficiency and performance. They use localised climate data and standard assumptions on how people use their home to predict the heating and cooling energy loads and energy value* of the whole home. The thermal performance star rating uses the home's building specifications, layout, orientation and fabric (i.e. walls, windows, floors, roofs and ceilings) to predict the heating and cooling energy loads. The Whole of Home performance rating uses information about the home's appliances and onsite energy generation and storage to estimate the home's energy value*.

The actual energy loads, cost and greenhouse gas emissions of a home may vary from that predicted. This is because the assumptions will not always match the actual occupant usage patterns. For example, the number of occupants and how people use their appliances will vary.

Energy efficient homes use less energy, are warmer on cool days, cooler on hot days and cost less to run.

Accredited assessors

For quality assured NatHERS Certificates, always use an accredited or licenced assessor registered with an Assessor Accrediting Organisation (AAO). AAOs have strict quality assurance processes, and professional development requirements ensuring consistently high standards for assessments.

Non-accredited assessors (Raters) have no ongoing training requirements and

are not quality assured.

Any queries about this report should be directed to the assessor. If the assessor is unable to address questions or concerns, contact the AAO specified on the front of this certificate.

Disclaimer

The NatHERS Certificate format is developed by the NatHERS Administrator. However, the content in the certificate is entered by the assessor. It is the assessor's responsibility to use NatHERS accredited software correctly and follow the NatHERS Technical Note to produce a NatHERS Certificate.

The predicted annual energy load, cost and greenhouse gas emissions in this NatHERS Certificate are an estimate based on an assessment of the dwelling's design by the assessor. It is not a prediction of actual energy use, cost or emissions. The information and ratings may be used to compare how other dwellings are likely to perform when used in a similar way.

Information presented in this report relies on a range of standard assumptions (both embedded in NatHERS accredited software and made by the assessor who prepared this report), including assumptions about occupancy, behaviour, appliance performance, indoor air temperature and local climate.

Not all assumptions made by the assessor using the NatHERS accredited software tool are presented in this report and further details or data files may be obtained from the assessor.

Glossary

Annual energy load	the predicted amount of energy required for heating and cooling, based on standard occupancy assumptions.
AFRC	Australian Fenestration Rating Council
Assessed floor area	the floor area modelled in the software for the purpose of the NatHERS assessment. Note, this may not be consistent with the floor area in the design documents.
Ceiling penetrations	features that require a penetration to the ceiling, including downlights, vents, exhaust fans, range hoods, chimneys and flues. Excludes fixtures attached to the ceiling with small holes through the ceiling for wiring, e.g. ceiling fans; pendant lights, and heating and cooling ducts.
Conditioned	a zone within a dwelling that is expected to require heating and cooling based on standard occupancy assumptions. In some circumstances it will include garages.
COP	Coefficient of performance
Custom windows	windows listed in NatHERS software that are available on the market in Australia and have a WERS (Window Energy Rating Scheme) rating.
Default windows	windows that are representative of a specific type of window product and whose properties have been derived by statistical methods.
EER	Energy Efficiency Ratio, measure of how much cooling can be achieved by an air conditioner for a single kWh of electricity input
Energy use	This is your home's rating without solar or batteries.
Energy value	The net cost to society including, but not limited to, costs to the building user, the environment and energy networks (as defined in the ABCB Housing Provisions Standard).
Entrance door	these signify ventilation benefits in the modelling software and must not be modelled as a door when opening to a minimally ventilated corridor in a Class 2 building.
Exposure	see exposure categories below
Exposure category - exposed	terrain with no obstructions e.g. flat grazing land, ocean-frontage, desert, exposed high-rise unit (usually above 10 floors).
Exposure category - open	terrain with few obstructions at a similar height e.g. grasslands with few well scattered obstructions below 10m, farmland with scattered sheds, lightly vegetated bush blocks, elevated units (e.g. above 3 floors).
Exposure category - suburban	terrain with numerous, closely spaced obstructions below 10m e.g. suburban housing, heavily vegetated bushland areas.
Exposure category - protected	terrain with numerous, closely spaced obstructions over 10 m e.g. city and industrial areas.
Horizontal shading feature	provides shading to the building in the horizontal plane, e.g. eaves, verandahs, pergolas, carports, or overhangs or balconies from upper levels.
National Construction Code (NCC) Class	the NCC groups buildings by their function and use, and assigns a classification code. NatHERS software models NCC Class 1, 2 or 4 buildings and attached Class 10a buildings. Definitions can be found at www.abcb.gov.au .
Net zero home	a home that achieves a net zero energy value*.
Opening percentage	the openability percentage or operable (moveable) area of doors or windows that is used in ventilation calculations.
Provisional value	an assumed value that does not represent an actual value. For example, if the wall colour is unspecified in the documentation, a provisional value of 'medium' must be modelled. Acceptable provisional values are outlined in the NatHERS Technical Note and can be found at www.nathers.gov.au
Recommended capacity	this is the capacity or size of equipment that is recommended by NatHERS to achieve the desired comfort conditions in the zone or zones serviced. This is a recommendation and the final selection sizing should be confirmed by a suitably qualified person.
Reflective wrap (also known as foil)	can be applied to walls, roofs and ceilings. When combined with an appropriate airgap and emissivity value, it provides insulative properties.
Roof window	for NatHERS this is typically an operable window (i.e. can be opened), will have a plaster or similar light well if there is an attic space, and generally does not have a diffuser.
Shading features	includes neighbouring buildings, fences, and wing walls, but excludes eaves.
Solar heat gain coefficient (SHGC)	the fraction of incident solar radiation admitted through a window, both directly transmitted as well as absorbed and subsequently released inward. SHGC is expressed as a number between 0 and 1. The lower a window's SHGC, the less solar heat it transmits.
Skylight (also known as roof lights)	for NatHERS this is typically a moulded unit with flexible reflective tubing (light well) and a diffuser at ceiling level.
STCs	Small-scale Technology Certificates, certificates created by the REC registry for renewable energy technologies that may be bought and sold as part of the Small-scale Renewable Energy Scheme operated by the Clean Energy Regulatory
Thermal breaks	are materials with an R-value greater than or equal to 0.2 that must separate the metal frame from the cladding. This includes, but is not limited to, materials such as timber battens greater than or equal to 20mm thick, continuous thermal breaks such as polystyrene insulation sheeting, plastic strips or furring channels.
U-value	the rate of heat transfer through a window. The lower the U-value, the better the insulating ability.
Unconditioned	a zone within a dwelling that is assumed to not require heating and cooling based on standard occupancy assumptions
Vertical shading features	provides shading to the building in the vertical plane and can be parallel or perpendicular to the subject wall/window. Includes privacy screens, other walls in the building (wing walls), fences, other buildings, vegetation (protected or listed heritage trees).
Window shading device	a device fixed to windows that provides shading e.g. window awnings or screens but excludes horizontal* or vertical shading features* (eg eaves and balconies)

* Refer to glossary.