Building Better Homes for the Future Workshops

Master Builders Association of Victoria



Significant changes to the National Construction Code 2022 included increasing the requirements for energy efficiency and condensation management and the introduction of whole of house assessment. There were also changes to the Victorian Planning Provisions and all planning schemes that took effect from 1st January 2024 that mean that new homes, apartments and residential subdivisions applying for a planning permit can no longer be connected to the gas network.

Home Efficiency Construction Roadshows will be delivered throughout Victoria. This training will increase skills and knowledge in topics such as environmentally sustainable design and construction and home electrification. If you are carrying out work in an eligible trade or profession in the residential construction industry in Victoria, you may be eligible for this free training.

This initiative is funded by Solar Victoria as part of the Training and Workforce Development program.

Content:

- NCC 2022 energy efficiency requirements
- NCC 2022 condensation requirements
- Maximising the Star rating with good passive solar design
- building 7 Star homes
- avoiding condensation
- addressing air tightness
- · passive house
- real member case studies
- changes to the Victorian Planning provisions and planning schemes
- what these will mean for your clients
- delivering all electric, zero carbon homes
- appliance options
- benefits for your clients



Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the workshop students will have increased their knowledge in the following areas.

- How the NCC 2022 energy efficiency differ from those of NCC 2019. What is NatHERS, how does it work and what does it mean to build a 7 Star home. What is passive solar design and how does it contribute to increasing the energy rating of a home. The importance of windows and the characteristics of high performing windows
- How are the NCC 2022 condensation requirements different to those of NCC 2019.
 How condensation is produced in the home and how much do client actions
 contribute to it. The problems condensation can cause to the building structure and
 client health. Building to avoid condensation problems and the materials to use. The
 different classes of building wraps and their role in reducing condensation problems.
- The role of air tightness in improving energy efficiency and the importance of knowing the air tightness of buildings you build. How it is measured and the methods to build tighter. The role of Heat Recovery Ventilation systems in ensuring a controlled air flow and controlling thermal bridging.
- Passive house principles as an example of best practice.
- The changes to the Victorian Planning provisions and planning schemes and the ban on gas connections. Why were the changes made and the circumstances when they apply and when they don't.
- Discussing these with your clients and how to deliver all electric homes. The
 importance of understanding heating and cooling systems, hot water and cooking
 appliance options. What to look for when making the best choice from the options
 available.
- The benefits for your clients in terms of reduced energy bills and improving indoor air quality.
- Solar panel systems, smart homes and batteries. Future proofing new homes.
- What is a zero carbon home and how to achieve it.
- Opportunity for questions, answers and knowledge share.

Delivery:

Workshops delivered as a 3 hour session with a short break for refreshments in the middle. Commencing early morning (Registration 7.30 am for 8.00 am start).

Cost: Free to all

Refreshments: Tea/coffee, snacks

CPD: 3 points

Target Audience: Builders, trades, designers, apprentices, energy raters, surveyors,

trainers, anyone in the construction industry,

Certificate of Attendance provided on request.



Delivery Schedule:

Month	Day	Activity
June	20	Melbourne (BLSC)
June	25	Bendigo
June	26	Ballarat
July	9	Wodonga
July	10	Bright
July	11	Mansfield
July	12	Alexandra
July	23	Horsham
July	24	Mildura
July	25	Echuca
July	26	Shepparton
August	8	Warrnambool
August	9	Geelong
August	20	Melbourne (Ringwood)
August	23	Melbourne (Rosebud)
September	10	Bairnsdale
September	11	Traralgon
September	12	Leongatha