

The Importance of a Good Renovation By-law

Good renovation by-laws will protect all parties such as the owners corporation, the lot owner (and future owners) plus ensure any renovations to a lot, in particular structural, are safe for the building.

A good renovation by-law will outline items such as:

- A clear statement of the authorised work
- The time frame for completion
- Setting out any conditions that must be met
- All contractors details and their insurances
- Development consents
- Recording all works, including structural works
- Conditions that the lot owner and their contractor/s must adhere to
- How waste is to be dealt with
- Hours of work to minimise noise and disturbance to neighbours and the building
- Access and parking requirements to ensure minimal disturbance to other lot owners and common property areas
- Who is responsible for any ongoing maintenance
- Ensuring that all work complies with relevant standards and legislation such as the *Building Code of Australia* and the *Design & Building Practitioners Act 2020*
- Any nuances and more!

Why is it important to ensure that

renovation by-laws are thorough?

Apart from wanting the renovation to run smoothly, the type of by-law to be used will depend on the renovation that is being undertaken. For example:

- Is the renovation a bathroom or kitchen renovation involving waterproofing or changes to floor coverings; and
- do you need a cosmetic, minor or major renovations by-law?

The tighter the renovation by-law the less likely there will be issues however in the event of an issue a well written by-law will more than likely get things back on track, minimising any disputes. A badly written renovation by-law may only exacerbate the situation and cause unwanted delays and disputes and may even end up in NCAT.

Are you in need of a renovation by-law?

Our legal team has significant expertise developing renovation by-laws for strata, company, and community living.

- We have been developing renovation by-laws for 40+ years.
- We know whether you will require a by-law for renovations for owners corporation approval.
- We guarantee within 7 days you will receive the right renovation by-law.
- We also understand that you 'may' need your renovation by-law urgently for an upcoming strata meeting – just let us know, we will make it happen.

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