

Exempt Development Update

Many in the strata industry will be surprised to discover that **what they thought was exempt, is not exempt development.**

If planning approval is required for remedial works it's important to obtain it before the works commence.

There's many reasons, including:

- To avoid substantial penalties and stop work, removal or remediation orders issued under the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1989.
- To avoid stop work, removal or remediation orders under the Design and Building Practitioners Act 2020 being imposed on the building practitioner.
- To avoid contractor terminating the contract for that failure.
- To avoid exclusion from the strata scheme's insurance in respect of those illegal works.
- Please click the buttons below for an exploration of some commonly remediated building elements.

[Is Installing an Air-Conditioning Unit Exempt Development?](#)

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