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## BASIX energy requirements for all new residential developments

**A**s intended, the **BASIX Energy Target** for any residential development application lodged from 1 July 2006 has changed. The target has increased in most locations, and is now based on the local climatic conditions and the type of house.

Development applications lodged before 1 July 2006 using the "old program" will be able to continue to use the "old program" for any modifications to the plans that happen before work starts.

A DA may be lodged after 1 July 2006 for the 25% energy target if a BASIX certificate was generated before 1 July for that project.

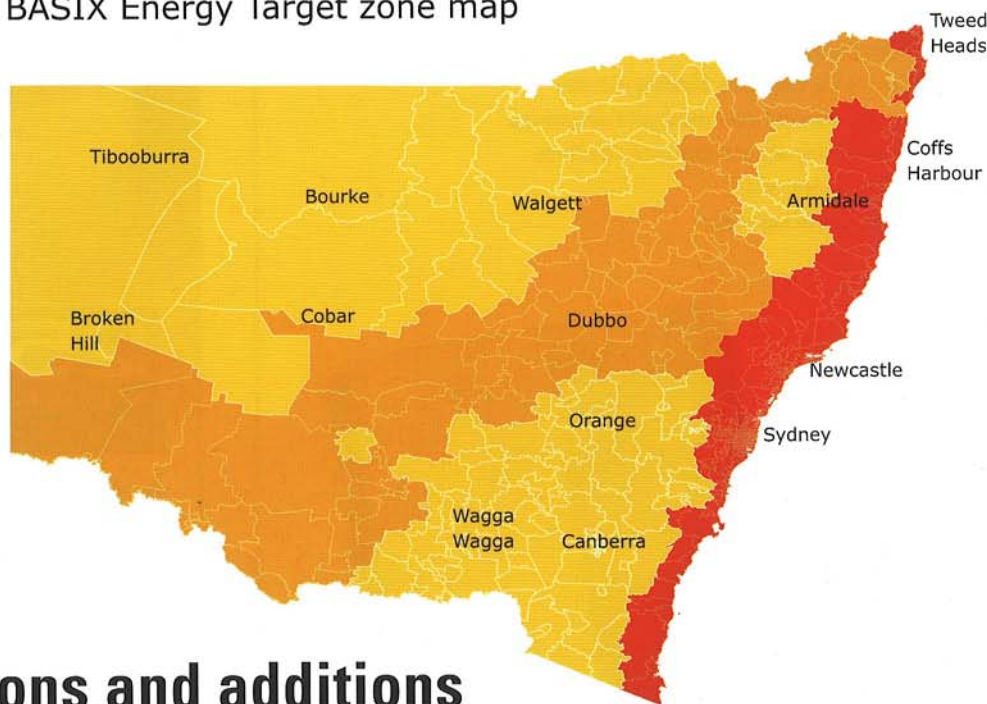
The DA for that project may be lodged up to 1 September 2006, subject to the plans still being consistent with the BASIX certificate and no substantial changes being made which would require a new certificate.

If minor changes are required, the DA must be lodged with Council before the Department of Planning will allow access to the "old program".

If you need to access the "old" program, the Department of Planning can provide more information. If you have questions regarding the new energy targets, you can contact the Department of Planning on 1300 650 908 or go to the BASIX website – [www.basix.nsw.gov.au](http://www.basix.nsw.gov.au). ■

BUILDING TYPE	ZONE 1	ZONE 2	ZONE 3
Single dwellings (villas, townhouses and attached/detached houses)	40%	35%	25%
Low rise (3 storey)	35%	30%	20%
Mid rise (4-5 storey)	30%	25%	15%
High rise (6 storey and over)	Stay at 20%	15%	5%

BASIX Energy Target zone map



## BASIX for alterations and additions

**T**he start date of BASIX for Alterations and Additions has changed from 1 July 2006 to **1 October 2006**.

For the first 9 months, BASIX will only apply to projects valued **over \$100,000**. Then from 1 July, 2007, any project valued over \$50,000 will need to comply with BASIX.

The program will be available to use voluntarily from 1 August 2006 until 1 October 2006.

Any Development Application (DA) or Complying Development Certificate (CDC) for the alteration, enlargement and/or extension of an existing dwelling or multi unit (low and high rise) valued over \$100,000 or new swimming pools over 40,000 litres (40KL) will

need a BASIX certificate.

The introduction of a value of works means that minor developments such as kitchen & bathroom renovations, small renovations to dwellings, and swimming pools under

40KL will generally be exempt from BASIX unless they are carried out as part of a larger application. ■

**For more information go to [www.basix.nsw.gov.au](http://www.basix.nsw.gov.au) or call 1300 650 908.**

The Department of Planning is scheduling NEW BASIX Briefing Sessions across NSW through the months of August and September 2006.

Please note that registration for these sessions is available online at the following link: <http://sustainability.nsw.gov.au/information/briefing.jsp>