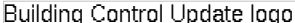


Change to the delivery of 2020 Building Code updates

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The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) currently updates the Building Code twice annually in June and November, with the next update due to be implemented in June 2020.



However, due to the impacts on the sector from COVID-19 and stakeholder feedback, MBIE has decided not to proceed with the June 2020 Building Code update as planned.

We appreciate that right now the sector is coping with significant challenges, and may not have the ability to engage with the updated content or deliver training to staff to implement the changes.

MBIE will be delaying the June update until 24 September 2020.

Ongoing Building Code updates

MBIE has cleared the backlog of Building Code updates over the past two years and understands the capacity of the sector to absorb and adapt to changes.

After the September 2020 update, MBIE will be moving to annual updates of the Building Code with the subsequent update occurring in October 2021.

These changes will reduce the burden on the sector to provide feedback twice yearly on proposed changes and related activities to implement these changes.

MBIE is confident that annual changes are regular enough for the Building Code to remain credible and up to date, while having the ability to release urgent updates if required.

MBIE appreciates the time and effort the sector puts into these public consultations, and thanks those who provided feedback.

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