

A0.5 Assessment Methods

The following *Assessment Methods*, or any combination of them, can be used to determine that a *Performance Solution* or a *Deemed-to-Satisfy Solution* complies with the *Performance Requirements*, as appropriate:

- (a) Evidence to support that the use of a material or product, form of construction or design meets a *Performance Requirement* or a *Deemed-to-Satisfy Provision* as described in **A2.2**.
 - (b) *Verification Methods* such as—
 - (i) the *Verification Methods* in the NCC; or
 - (ii) such other *Verification Methods* as the *appropriate authority* accepts for determining compliance with the *Performance Requirements*.
 - (c) *Expert Judgement*.
 - (d) Comparison with the *Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions*.
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A2.2 Evidence of suitability

- (a) Subject to **A2.3** and **A2.4**, evidence to support that the use of a material, form of construction or design meets a *Performance Requirement* or a *Deemed-to-Satisfy Provision* may be in the form of one or a combination of the following:
 - (i) A report issued by a *Registered Testing Authority*, showing that the material or form of construction has been submitted to the tests listed in the report, and setting out the results of those tests and any other relevant information that demonstrates its suitability for use in the building.
 - (ii) A current *Certificate of Conformity* or a current *Certificate of Accreditation*.
 - (iii) A certificate from a *professional engineer* or other appropriately qualified person which—
 - (A) certifies that a material, design, or form of construction complies with the requirements of the BCA; and
 - (B) sets out the basis on which it is given and the extent to which relevant specifications, rules, codes of practice or other publications have been relied upon.
 - (iv) A current certificate issued by a product certification body that has been accredited by the Joint Accreditation System of Australia and New Zealand (JAS-ANZ).
 - (v) * * * * *
 - (vi) Any other form of documentary evidence that correctly describes the properties and performance of the material or form of construction and adequately demonstrates its suitability for use in the building.
- (b) Evidence to support that a calculation method complies with an ABCB protocol may be in the form of one or a combination of the following:
 - (i) A certificate from a *professional engineer* or other appropriately qualified person which—
 - (A) certifies that the calculation method complies with a relevant ABCB protocol; and
 - (B) sets out the basis on which it is given and the extent to which relevant specifications, rules, codes of practice and other publications have been relied upon.
 - (ii) Any other form of documentary evidence that correctly describes how the calculation method complies with a relevant ABCB protocol.
- (c) Any copy of documentary evidence submitted, must be a complete copy of the original report or document.

A2.3 Fire-resistance of building elements

Where a *Deemed-to-Satisfy Provision* requires a building element to have an FRL, it must be determined in accordance with **Specification A2.3**.
