

Elite Compliance

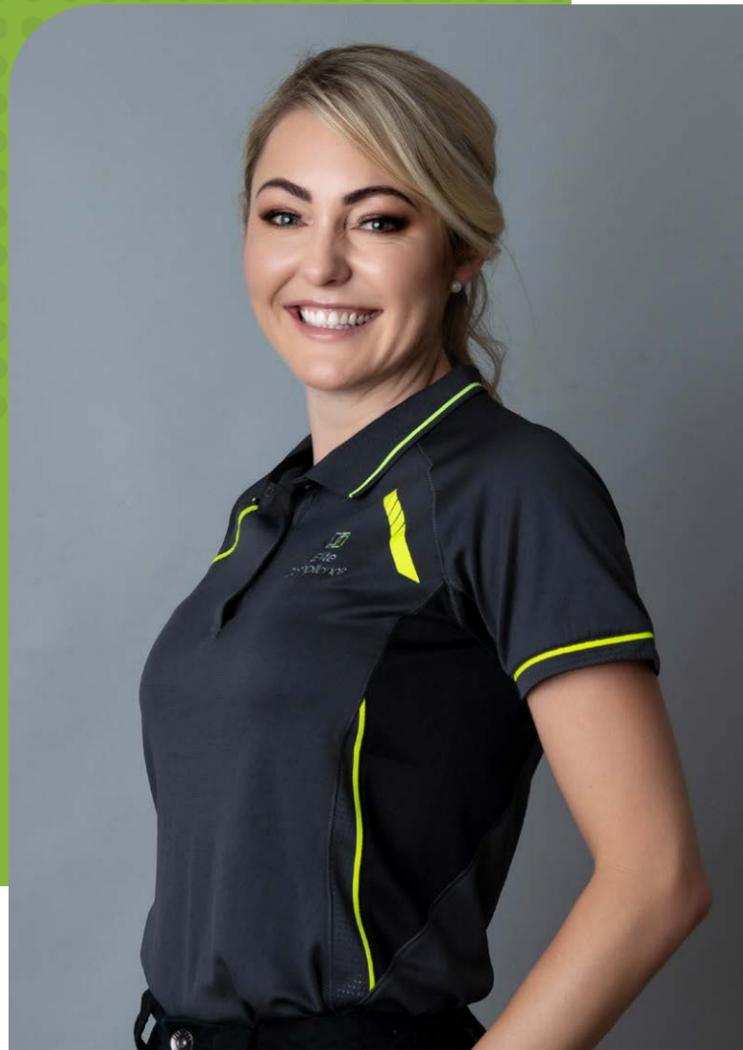
Disability Access Services



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Building Surveying | Engineering | Compliance Management
Disability Access

Kasey Venter is a qualified building surveyor and highly experienced disability access consultant with extensive knowledge in building compliance and accessibility.



With over a decade of post graduate studies in the design and construction of accessible buildings, Kasey has a comprehensive understanding of all legislation applicable to disability access, the National Construction Code – Building Code of Australia (BCA) and Australian Standards (AS).

Kasey is a specialist in commercial building, changing places facilities, specialist disability accommodation, liveable housing and building designs for persons with severe disabilities.

Kasey is 1 of only 2 people in Western Australia to be an accredited and registered Assessor for:

- Specialist Disability Accommodation (SDA)
- Livable Housing Australia (LHA)
- Changing Places (CP)

Specialist Disability Accommodation Assessment & Certification

Building an NDIS / SDA property offers high yields and includes government funding for a 20-year period not only ensuring your investment is risk mitigated but also a profitable investment for developers or those with a passion for building a more accessible world.

SDA assessors will, as a part of the certification process, nominate the Design Category the dwelling satisfies based on the Design Standards. Only an Accredited SDA Assessor can issue certificates for SDA design categories for enrolment as an SDA dwelling with NDIS.

From 1 July 2021 all dwellings proposed for New Build SDA enrolment will be required to demonstrate the design and final as-built certification by an accredited SDA Assessor and meet all further requirements as outlined in National Disability Insurance Scheme (Specialist Disability Accommodation) Rules 2016 Part 7 and any other relevant legislation. The SDA Design Standard document sets out in detail the criteria that a dwelling must meet in order to be eligible for enrolment as SDA with the NDIA.

Preliminary assessments and design certification

From the design stage onwards, Kasey will prepare a report that indicates that upon completion, a dwelling will meet the criteria required for enrolment in accordance with the SDA Design Standard. This process will provide certainty to the SDA market about future enrolment and allow the preparation for dwelling enrolment to be undertaken by the NDIS prior to completion of the final as built assessment.

Final-As-Built certification

Upon the issuance of a certificate of occupancy (or jurisdictional equivalent), the final as built certification can be assessed by Kasey. This report will then be provided to the NDIS to for the purpose of completing the enrolment of a new build SDA.

Key SDA services offered:

- Assessment and certification of new Specialist Disability Accommodation
- Compliance Audits of existing Specialist Disability Accommodation
- Assessment of existing Specialist Disability Accommodation for technical advice for necessary upgrades to achieve certification

Changing Places Assessment & Certification

The role of the Changing Places Assessor is to conduct design assessments for new builds and as-built facilities for existing buildings. All changing places facilities will be against the performance requirements of the Changing Places Design Specifications 2020 to confirm compliance and provide certification of same. The accreditation process ensures that Changing Places facilities are built to a minimum standard to ensure users can be confident that the facilities will be fit for purpose, safe and accessible.

In order to display the Changing Places logo, facilities must undergo Changing Places Accreditation.

When an as-built facility is certified as compliant by the Changing Places Assessor, the facility owner/manager will be issued with a 'Statement of Compliance'. The facility/owner/ manager can then apply to have the facility listed on the Changing Places Australia website as an accredited Changing Places facility.

The Australian Building Codes Board updated the National Construction Code (NCC) in 2019 (BCA Volume One, Clause F2.9) to include a new class of toilet called 'Accessible Adult Change Facilities'. This new class of toilet – based on the Changing Places design – must be included in certain classes of public buildings. From 1 May 2019, one unisex Accessible Adult Change Facility must be provided in:

- Class 6 buildings: shopping centres – with a design occupancy of not less than 3,500 people;
- Class 9b sports venues – with a design occupancy of not less than 35,000 spectators or contains a swimming pool that has a perimeter of not less than 70m;
- Museum and art gallery (or similar) buildings – with a design occupancy of not less than 1,500 patrons;
- Theatre and entertainment venues – having a design occupancy of not less than 1,500 patrons;
- Domestic and international passenger airports.

The NCC does not require that Accessible Adult Change Facilities be accredited as Changing Places toilets. However, toilets built according to the Changing Places Design Specifications will generally meet the Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions of the National Construction Code.

Our office can assist with conducting assessments of designs of As-built facilities against the design specification described in the Changing Places Design Specifications 2020 and to confirm compliance with this.

Assessment at schematic design phase and collaboration with design team through design development will ensure that facilities are designed according to the Changing Places Design Specifications 2020 and will be built according to all of the necessary requirements for it to be accredited as a Changing Places facility.

Each assessment involves a review of the design against the requirements of the Design Specifications utilising a detailed Assessment Form, to confirm compliance with the Design Specifications. On completion of assessment a Statement of Compliance will be issued.

Additional Access Consulting Services Offered:

- ✓ Expert Witness
- ✓ Performance Solutions
- ✓ Access Audits
- ✓ Design Reviews
- ✓ Safety in Design
- ✓ Architectural Drafting
- ✓ Structural Engineering
- ✓ Building Surveying

Livable Housing Assessment & Certification

Livable Housing Australia Strategic Plan articulates LHAs commitment to implementation and fulfilment of the following key outcomes:

- significantly increasing the stock of livable homes across Australia;
- the adoption of the Livable Housing Design Guidelines as an industry standard – valued and user endorsed;
- ensure government, industry and community embrace, request and use the standard;
- ensure industry has the capacity and skills to design, deliver and accredit livable homes;
- ensure that LHA is the preferred accreditation pathway;
- demonstrate that livable housing design, delivery and accreditation is mainstream because it makes business sense;
- progression toward more livable housing stock is able to be measured credibly;
- ensuring that LHA is a self-sustaining business.

Since introduction in 2011, the Livable Housing Design Guidelines have been adopted and/or referenced by a wide range of government and non- government organisations as a minimum requirement for a variety of new homes being built in Australia.

A Livable Housing Assessor is an independent consultant who undertakes assessment of Designs and Final as-built dwellings to determine compliance with the Design Elements and related Performance Criteria in the Livable Housing Design Guidelines.

Upon completion of design assessment or final as-built dwelling certification with the Livable Housing Design Guidelines, we are required to register the project with Livable Housing Association. Once registration is acknowledged via email by LHA, Kasey can issue a Provisional Design Certificate or a Final As-Built Certificate verifying compliance with the Livable Housing Design Guidelines.

Company Profile

Elite Compliance was established in 2014 and consists of professional building surveyors, engineers, designers, and a dedicated support team. Initially a Perth based company, the business has now expanded to incorporate two regional offices, located in Karratha and Kalgoorlie servicing a diverse range of industries in order to meet growing economic demands.

Beyond Western Australia our team has extensive experience working both nationally and internationally in the commercial, industrial and modular markets.

The business promotes proactive attitudes toward problem solving and focus on providing a positive and supportive working environment. The team is committed to achieving results and has created a culture of continued professional development, customer satisfaction and brand awareness. Continually seeking ideas and opportunities to deliver more cost effective and efficient solutions.

When you work with Elite Compliance you can trust that you're working with a committed team with a proven track record of achieving outstanding results and being well-organised, prompt, reliable and dedicated to each project.





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