

Withdrawal of Technical Solution Sheet (TS.01 – Charged Stormwater Systems)

The VBA has withdrawn Technical Solution Sheet (TS.01 – Charged Stormwater Systems), which provided guidance in relation to an option for the connection of a storm water system to a rain water tank. The purpose of the Technical Solution Sheet was to provide information to practitioners when installing stormwater systems. However, as there has been some confusion as to its purpose and some misinterpretation of its content as a type of deemed to satisfy solution, it has now been withdrawn from the VBA website.

The VBA reminds practitioners that where a stormwater system cannot be installed as a Deemed to Satisfy solution (because the minimum required grade for the point of discharge cannot be achieved) and an alternate or charged stormwater system is therefore proposed, the work will need to be developed as a performance solution which is site-specific and which meets the performance requirements of the Plumbing Code of Australia.

The VBA also advises that it will no longer accept plumbing modification applications (under Section 221ZZO of the Building Act 1993) for these charged stormwater systems where this work can be completed using a performance solution. A plumbing modification can only be granted when the work cannot comply with the plumbing regulatory requirements using a deemed to satisfy solution or a performance solution.

If you have any questions, please contact the VBA on 1300 815 127 or email plumbingtechnicaladvice@vba.vic.gov.au.