

Building for Climate Change

People working in the industry

What you can do now:



- › increase your carbon literacy
- › develop your technical skills in these areas
- › look to international best practice for energy efficient buildings and low embodied carbon buildings
- › start exploring and understanding the energy efficiency and carbon footprint of the buildings you design and construct



- › give consideration to what will happen to the building at the end of the design life
- › give consideration to designing out construction waste
- › start separating and reducing construction waste, look for opportunities for construction waste to get reused or recycled.



- › alert clients to the MBIE Building for Climate Change Programme, so they can consider getting ahead of the curve
- › start exploring and making use of energy and carbon modelling tools and techniques



- › have an independent assessment of the energy efficiency and/or embodied carbon in a building's design
- › consider voluntary reporting/disclosure of the energy efficiency and carbon footprint of your projects



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People building a new house, or businesses that are procuring a building

What you can do now:



- › consider if a new building is needed or if an existing building could be repurposed or upgraded to suit your need
- › consider if an existing building could be upgraded to be more energy efficient, well ventilated and comfortable



- › start asking your design and construction team about the energy efficiency and carbon footprint of your project at the very beginning so it can be set as a priority
- › ask for more than the minimum building code energy efficiency levels
- › start asking how waste will be reduced on your project



- › look for a design team that has experience in designing high performance buildings
- › consider having your building independently rated for energy efficiency and embodied carbon.

For more information on the programme, visit:

mbie.govt.nz/building-and-energy/building/building-for-climate-change/

