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## Verification Method H1/VM1: Energy Efficiency

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### Description

Verification Method H1/VM1 provides a means of compliance with Building Code Clause H1 Energy Efficiency.

This clause provides for the efficient use of energy and sets physical conditions for energy performance.

It requires housing to meet a building performance index (BPI) not exceeding 1.55 (this is defined in the Verification Method and Acceptable Solution). It requires enclosed spaces where temperature or humidity are modified to provide adequate thermal resistance and to limit uncontrollable airflow in certain buildings.

It also sets out physical conditions likely to affect energy performance, and requirements for hot water systems, artificial lighting and HVAC systems.

### Scope

This Verification Method can be used for housing, communal residential, communal non-residential and commercial buildings.

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