



IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING CHANGES TO NSW Rural Fire Service Regulations

On the 20th June 2017 the NSW Rural Fire Service released a fact sheet (link at the bottom of the page). Below is Bushfire Roller Shutters understanding of the changes.

On 1st May 2010 the NSW Rural Fire Service submitted an addendum to the AS3959-2009 standard specifically Section A3.4 (d) of PBP *Addendum Appendix 3*. In plain language terms, this means that if a BAL 40 window was installed in conjunction with a BAL 40 shutter both complying to AS1530.8.1 this was deemed to meet the requirements of BAL FZ. Now that the NSW Rural Fire Service has withdrawn this addendum this means that the above solution no longer meets the BAL FZ requirements.

The major outcomes of this decision are;

- Currently we are unaware of any bushfire roller shutters in Australia that have been tested and passed the AS1530.8.2 (BAL FZ) rating. However, investigation is underway and we hope to have a solution very soon
- Any DA for a new build submitted after the 20th of June 2017 will fall under the above mentioned new requirements
- **Any DA that has been determined prior to the 20th of June 2017 are exempt from complying with the new construction requirements**
- Any DA submitted after the 20th June 2017 in regards to renovations are required to comply with the revised FZ requirements and will be assessed on a case by case basis.
- Meeting the new requirements without utilising a bushfire roller shutter means using compliant BAL FZ glass which is extremely expensive. Hence the reason for the original addendum in 2010. Bushfire RollerShutters is currently sourcing an alternate solution to installing BAL FZ glass.

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