

BCA COMPLIANCE ASSESSEMENT REPORT

5/380 Pittwater Road, North Manly NSW Proposed micro-brewery in existing warehouse

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1.0 Introduction & Report Basis

Absolute BCA & Accessibility has been engaged by Justice Brewing Pty Ltd to prepare this BCA compliance assessment report for the proposed micro-brewery in existing warehouse at 5/380 Pittwater Road, North Manly NSW

The purpose of this report is to provide:

- 1. A high-level assessment of the proposed design/building against the significant design requirements of the of the BCA; and
- 2. Recommendations to address any identified significant design issues. Recommendations are provided in Section 4.0.

It is understood that this report will be used to support the Development Application for the subject development.

1.1 Assessed Information

The following information was specifically relied upon for this assessment:

Document Type	Prepared by	Reference or Revision Number
Architectural Plans	Kira Robson Architect	DA 12.06.2025

1.2 Relevant BCA Volume & Sections.

The Building Code of Australia (National Construction Code) 2022 Volume 1

Section	Addressed
A – Governing Requirements	Informational
B – Structure	No - Addressed by structural engineers
C – Fire resistance	Yes - Addressed in this report
D – Access and egress	Yes - Addressed in this report (*excluding access for people with disabilities)
E – Services and equipment	Yes - Addressed in this report
F – Health and amenity	Yes - Addressed in this report (*excluding access for people with disabilities)
G – Ancillary provisions	Yes - Addressed in this report
I – Special use buildings	Yes - Addressed in this report
J – Energy efficiency	No - Addressed by energy efficiency consultants



1.3 Assumptions, Limitations & Exclusions

- This report is intended to support the Development Application/Section 4.55/6 (or similar) stage design and identifies *significant* design issues only. For the purposes of this report, significant design issues are:
 - Non-compliance with DTS provisions that would likely necessitate significant changes alterations to the current plans (changes which would be expected to necessitate a \$4.55 if carried out post Consent).
 - Non-compliance with DTS provisions that would likely necessitate the development of a Performance Solution. It is noted that some Performance Solutions will necessitate design change. It is the applicant's responsibility to confirm the extent of required design changes with the author of any proposed Performance Solution.

A further detailed assessment would typically be undertaken Construction Certificate Application (CCA) stage.

- The Report only assesses the information specifically referenced in Section 1.1 of this report. This information is accepted in good faith as accurate and correct.
- The report is limited to assessment of the development against the deemed-to-satisfy provisions of the applicable Building Code of Australia.
- This report specifically excludes the assessment of the requirements relating to 'access for people with a disability'
- No assessment has been made of any existing Fire Engineering or BCA Performance Solution based Reports that may apply to the base building or development, unless otherwise specifically noted.
- In terms of development within existing buildings (or adjacent to existing buildings), it must be ensured that the *subject* works do not:
 - o cause a BCA non-compliance within the existing building; or
 - o aggravate an existing non-compliance within the existing building.

Subject to consideration of the above comments, this report has not considered the requirement for the upgrade of existing building in terms of BCA compliance. It should be noted that further upgrade works may be required by Consent Authorities or other stakeholders. Any such requirement should be advised to Absolute BCA as soon as practical.

- Some requirements of the BCA / Access Regulations are recognised as being interpretive in nature. Where these matters are encountered, interpretations are made in accordance with Absolute policy &/or as guided by other standards, guides and industry best practice.
- Absolute BCA does not support the use of combustible cladding or aluminium composite panels as external cladding, lining or ancillary element in any way. Such products are recommended to be avoided and where such products are proposed, Absolute BCA automatically excludes their assessment from any reporting and certification and will not accept liability for their use in any way.



- Detailed assessment of any engineering matters or Australian Standards– e.g: structural, civil, electrical, hydraulic, mechanical, fire, bushfire protection is beyond the scope of this report.
- The Report does not provide any Performance Solutions.



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2.0 BCA Assessment Data

BCA Reference	Subject Building
A6	Existing – Class 7b/8
Classification	Proposed – Class 6/8
C2D3	2 – unchanged by proposed development.
Rise in Stories	
C2D2	C – unchanged by proposed development
Construction Type	
C3D3	In accordance with BCA C3D3 – unchanged by proposed
Floor areas and Fire Compartment Limitations	development
Scd 1	Less than 12m - unchanged by proposed development
Effective Height	



3.0 BCA Compliance Assessment (& Minor Recommendations)

The plans identified in Section 1.1 of this report have been assessed against the DTS requirements of the BCA – which are considered relevant to the current stage of design (Development Application). A summary of these requirements is provided below. Details demonstrating compliance would typically be provided at CC stage.

Note Section 4.0 of this report contains recommendations to address significant noncompliances or items reproposed/required to be supported via performance solution or design change.

#	Section C	
a)	Fire Resistance Levels (C2D2)	
	In accordance with BCA C2D2, the building is required to achieve a minimum type C construction & and building elements must comply with BCA Specification 5.	
	Nb. The proposed building elements are not required to achieve FRL	
b)	Fire Hazard Properties (C2D11)	
	The fire hazard properties of floor linings and floor coverings, wall linings and ceiling linings, air-handling ductwork and lift cars. following internal linings, materials and assemblies within a Class 2 to 9 building must comply with BCA Specification 7.	
Sectio	ection D – Access & Egress	
c)	Exit Travel Distances (D2D5)	
	Ensure no points on the floor are more than 20m from the exit (being the roller shutter)	
d)	Exit dimensions (D2D7 – D2D9)	
	• Exits must be not less than 1m wide x 2m high	
	This dimension can be reduced at doorways to 750mm x 1980mm	
	Ensure egress paths are min 1m clear	



	ORAGE UDER WP drinking water station	
e)	Goings and Risers (D3D14)	
	Stair details to be provided on CC plans.	
f)	Balustrades (D3D17-D3D21)	
	Balustrade details to be provided on CC plans.	
g)	Handrails (D3D22) Provide handrail details on plans. Note a handrail is typically required to be provided to at least one side of all stairs (within additional accessibility requirements applying to stairs in common areas)	
h)	Doorways & Doors (D3D24)	
	The roller shutter is permitted to serve as an exit – providing the shutter is held open while the building is in operation.	
Sectio	on E – Services and Equipment	
i)	There are no additional fire safety measures required as a result of the proposed development. All existing fire safety measures need to be augmented/adjusted to suit the proposed new layout.	







4.0 Recommendations

The following matters will need to be addressed by design change &/or Performance Solution.

Where a Performance Solution is proposed, it is the applicants responsibility to clarify with the clarify any expected design changes with the author of the Performance Solution Report.

#	DTS Clause	Description of Non-Compliance
a)	F4D4	Sanitary Facilities
		A performance solution is proposed to support the provision of non- accessible unisex facilities.
		The solution will be provided at CC stage (with no additional design changes required)



5.0 Conclusion

This report has assessed the subject building against the National Construction Code (NCC) / Building Code of Australia (BCA) 2022 (as relevant to the Development Application stage deign).

Subject to compliance with any recommendations listed in Section 4.0 of this report, the development is considered capable of complying with the BCA, within the constraints of the current design.

Note – In addition, Section 3.0 contains a summary of BCA compliance matters that will need to be addressed at CC stage (compliance with these matters however is not expected to significantly impact the current design).

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