# Thinking of buying a new shed?



## Pon't get caught out with a shed not up for the job!



ShedSafe is an independent accreditation program designed to assist shed buyers in making an informed purchase decision.



With ShedSafe, consumers can buy with confidence.

#### **ShedSafe Assurance**

ShedSafe accreditation means that both the shed manufacturer and seller are committed to ensuring their sheds meet Australian Standards and are suitable for your site and application.

ShedSafe accreditation is your assurance as a shed buyer that the:

## Shed Manufacturer has undergone a review by an independent third party.

This means that the engineering principles used by the Shed Manufacturer have been subject to a design and documentation review undertaken by an independent third party structural engineer and that these have met the ShedSafe criteria.

Manufacturers are required to participate in an ongoing review process.

## Shed Manufacturer has assured their compliance.

The Shed Manufacturer has signed and submitted documentation confirming that all of their shed designs are in accordance with the Australian Steel Institute (ASI)
Design Guide Portal Frame Sheds and Garages (2009).

Shed Seller will recommend a shed design suitable for your site location and use.

This means that the Shed Seller has undertaken training and will recommend a shed with a design suitable for your specific site and building use.

#### Your ShedSafe Quote

All ShedSafe accredited shed sellers should provide the following information on their quotes.

**Wind Region** The location of the shed will determine which wind speed region will be applied to ensure that your shed withstands weather conditions.



**Importance Level** is determined by what you intend to use the shed for and is crucial in ensuring that your shed complies with the Building Code of Australia.

**Terrain Category** is determined by what surrounds the proposed site of the shed.

**Topography factor** refers to whether the shed is to be placed atop a hill, mid way along a slope or a flat site at sea level.

**Shielding factor** is determined by whether the proposed site is shielded by permanent structures.

The above factors combine to calculate the **Site Wind Speed,** which is expressed in metres per second (m/s).

The recommended design criteria should be confirmed by your builder or building certifier.

### Want more information?

To find out how ShedSafe accreditation works and what it means for you, visit

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