

Termite Barriers

Installation of termite barriers is required in accordance with the Building Code of Australia 2007.

(a) A termite barrier or combination of barriers is installed in accordance with:

- i. AS 3600.1; or
- ii. 3.1.3.3 for concrete slabs on ground; or
- iii. 3.1.3.4 for suspended floors. (For barrier options see Table 3.1.3.1 below).

(b) A durable notice must be permanently fixed to the building in a prominent location, such as in a meter box or the like, indicate:

- i. The method of protection; and
- ii. The date of installation of the system; and
- iii. Where a chemical barrier is used, its life expectancy as listed on the National Registration Authority label; and
- iv. The installer's or manufacturer's recommendations for the scope and frequency of future inspections for termite activity.

Explanatory Information

Durable notice: A durable notice must be fixed to the building in a prominent location advising the building occupants that the system should be inspected and maintained.

The notice should be clearly written, on a material that will not deteriorate or fade over time and be located in or near the meter box or similar location so that it can be easily seen and read by future owners of the building. Additional information may be included if desired by the person placing the notice.

Table 3.1.3.1 - Acceptable Termite Barriers

Protection Method (As per AS 3660.1)	Footing System				
	Concrete slab on ground complying with AS 2870		Concrete slab on ground not complying with AS 2870		Suspended floors
	Penetrations and control joints	Slab perimeter	Beneath slab (incl. penetrations and control joints)	Slab perimeter	Timber, Stumps/Bearers
Slab Edge Exposure	Not suitable	Suitable	Not suitable	Suitable	Not applicable
Termite Shielding	Not suitable	Not suitable	Not suitable	Not suitable	Suitable
Stainless Steel Mesh	Partial: or full System	Partial: or full System	Full system	Full system	Suitable
Graded Stone	Partial: or full System	Partial: or full System	Full system	Full system	Partial: or Full System
Chemicals	Full system beneath slab	Perimeter system	Full system beneath slab	Perimeter system	Full system

*Naturally termite resistant timber in accordance with Appendix A of AS 3660.1 & AS 1684.
Preservative treated timber in accordance with Appendix B of AS 3660.1 & AS 1684*