

How to draw a site plan – dwelling alterations and additions

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Site plans are required for dwellings and any dwelling additions or alterations (including attached verandahs and carports/garages).

The site plan shows the placement of the structure on the land and its relationship to the site boundaries, other buildings and other site features.

If you show the following features, then you will meet the requirements of the Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act, 2016.

- Boundaries and dimensions of the land
- Position of the proposed building or structure on the land
- The distance of the proposed structure from boundaries (front, rear and sides)
- Existing and proposed ground floor levels of the land and building(s) including any earthworks or retaining walls that may be needed
- Location of any regulated trees on the land or neighbouring site (and distances from any proposed structures)
- Location of car parking spaces on the land
- Location and extent of any soft landscaping on the site (including its percentage of the overall site area).
- The extent of any private open space (rear yard) including location and format of fencing around this spaces.
- Location and capacity of any rainwater tanks and the total roof area to be connected to the tank (including proportion of capacity to be used for retention or detention)
- The width of the vehicle crossover at kerb, including distances from any street trees or street furniture or infrastructure)
- The driveway width at the front boundary
- The location and species of any trees to be retained or planted on the land
- A north point showing north relative to the site orientation
- The drawing scale (typically at 1:200 scale).

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