Exit Sign Design Flowchart

Existing Buildings: Replacing battery back-up electrical signs with Ecoglo signs

Building Type/Project Existing Building.



Scope of Work

Are only existing electrical exit signs to be replaced or is the entire building exit signage to be replaced and upgraded to meet the current building code?



Only Existing exit signs to be replaced.



Entire building exit signage to be replaced and upgraded to meet the current building code.



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Compliance pathway

Will the exit signs be replaced as **one project** or over a **number of BWOF Cycles?**



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To replace the existing signage and upgrade the system to meet the current NZ Building Code, Exemption 2 (Territorial and regional authority discretionary exemption) in Part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Building Act 2004 provides a way to this.

Note: This exemption is required even if the signage were to be replaced with non-PL battery back-up units.



Replaced as one project

To replace existing electrical exit signs as one project, exemption 2 (Territorial and regional authority discretionary exemption) in Part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Building Act 2004 provides a way to this.



Replaced over a number of BWOF cycles.

Exit signs can be replaced under Exemption 1 (General repair, maintenance & replacement) However, no more than 1/3 (33%) of the whole exit sign system should be replaced within a BWOF year.



Design and PS1 completion

A design & PS1 from the Ecoglo Design Team or an Ecoglo Approved Design Partner will be required to declare that, on reasonable grounds, completion of the building work in accordance with the design will comply with building code Clause F8.



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