



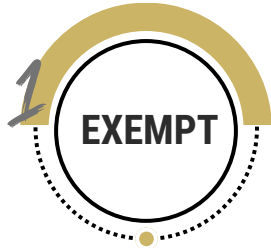
# 3 PATHWAYS TO BUILDING APPROVAL

Design and Approval Phase

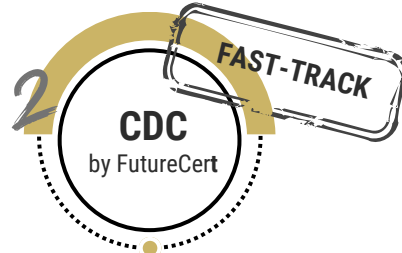
**Start:** Project is planned, designed & ready for approval. **First:** Confirm with Future Cert which pathway is permissible.

**If council permission not required:** Development is either exempt from approval or qualifies for fast-track assessment (CDC).

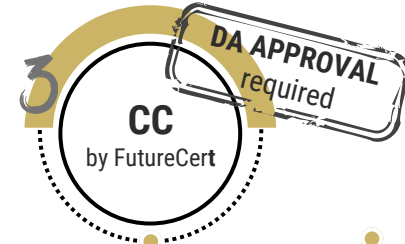
**If council permission required:** Development application is submitted to council for assessment and DA approval before CC.



You can undertake minor building changes such as retaining walls, pergolas, greenhouses, patios and decks, without approval.



Complying Development Certificate



Construction Certificate

Engage a Builder



Construction Phase

**Appoint a Principal Certifier (PC) to monitor construction.** You will be advised to complete any requirements on your development consent and give the council and the PC two days notice before you start construction.



Principal Certifier

Mandatory Inspections

**Inspections required generally include:**  
Piers, Slab, Frame, Stormwater, Wet area and a Final inspection.



Occupancy and Use Phase

Occupation Certificate

**Occupation Certificates enable new building use** (with Interim Certificates for partial use in staged projects). To obtain these, the development must meet regulatory standards, including development consent, consistent design, fulfilled pre-conditions, a Construction Certificate, and compliance with the Building Code of Australia.