2013 marked a new era in technical standards for water supply and sewerage infrastructure in South East Queensland.

What is the SEQ Water Supply and Sewerage Design and Construction Code?

The Queensland Government required the five water supply and sewerage service providers in South East Queensland (City of Gold Coast, Logan City Council, Queensland Urban Utilities, Redland City Council and Unitywater) to develop a uniform Code for the design and construction of new water supply and sewerage assets. This is outlined in chapter 4A of the SEQ Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009.

The SEQ Water Supply & Sewerage Design & Construction Code includes:

- A listing of products and materials accepted for use within the SEQ water industry;
- Design Criteria for water supply and sewerage assets;
- Separate codes for planning, design and construction of:
  - Water Supply assets;
  - Sewerage assets;
  - Sewage Pumping Stations;
  - Vacuum Sewerage Systems;
  - Pressure Sewerage Systems; and
- Specification for preparing asset information.

The SEQ Water Supply and Sewerage Design and Construction Code prevails over any provisions within the Councils’ planning schemes that relate to water supply and sewerage services infrastructure outcomes in SEQ.

Benefits of the Code:

The SEQ Water Supply and Sewerage Design and Construction Code endeavours to provide the following benefits to the development and construction industry:

- Increased consistency in asset planning, design and construction standards across the SEQ region;
- Standardisation to support development planning;
- A common reference point for construction standards for the regulator; and
- Better service and lower costs for our customers.

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