

Use our frequently asked questions list below to answer your questions otherwise give us a call or send in an enquiry - we will be happy to help.

## General Questions:

### How does a Compac cabin connect to the power?

All our cabins have an electrical COC - Code of Compliance. They come with an outdoor caravan plug, which connects via a caravan lead to the existing power source at your site. If there is no existing power source you can employ an electrician to install a builder's temp (pole/box) for a power connection or go solar.

### How does a Compac cabin connect to the water supply?

Our self-contained cabins are ready to be connected to a current household tap connection.

### How do we deal with our wastewater?

There are many options to deal with your wastewater. You can employ a plumber to connect your wastewater to an existing septic tank. However, most of our customers prefer to upgrade to a macerating system which helps to deal with all the water and solid waste through one pipe. This pipe can then pump the waste to an existing septic tank or gully trap.

If there is no existing septic tank and you're not planning to get one installed, you can upgrade to a composting or incinerating toilet.

### Can I make my cabin into a permanent dwelling?

Yes! Access our Ebook Library to Download the Council Consenting Guide to find out more.

### Do I need Code of Compliance?

During the design stage, you will need to decide whether you want to purchase a consented building under the Building Act or if you prefer to keep it transportable, in which case we can complete the purchase as a vehicle under the Land Transport Act 1998. If the cabin remains a moveable structure, it is not considered a building under the definition of Section 8 of the Building Act. Our cabins come with wheels, a removable drawbar, and can be easily disconnected from the power, water, and waste systems. It is important to understand council requirements to determine whether a Resource Consent is needed for your proposed site. Additionally, Compac Homes can provide an engineered pile plan for placing your cabin, should you wish. Please note that there are additional costs for the pile plan and installation. The area must be leveled or prepared for the cabin placement, generally involving the removal of 200-300mm of topsoil and replacing it with a hard-packed material like GAP 40 to achieve a level finish. For more details, please visit the Finance Page on the Compac Homes website to connect with our trusted finance partners, or speak with one of our Design Consultants to discuss solutions that have worked for other customers.

### Does Compac Homes sell cabins in kit sets or shells?

Unfortunately we do not sell kit sets or shells.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### The Design Process:

**How do I start?** Visit our site and view our show homes 5 days-a-week, or pop out to one of our open days, held on a Saturday once a month. Check out our Facebook events page here for more information on upcoming open days.

Once you have seen our show homes and decided on a size to suit your needs, you can sit down with our design team and discuss a high-level plan including layout, joinery placement and the build inclusions you are looking for (double glazing, heat pump etc), and we can provide you with a quote.

### Can I choose materials and

### colours?

Absolutely! We have a huge range of options to choose from. Our design consultants would love to help you select your colours and finishes such as paint, benchtops, and flooring to add a personal flare to your build.

### Can I choose appliances?

Yes you can, our standard spec includes a standard range of appliances and fittings, all of which can be upgraded to suit your functional and design style needs.

### Can I provide my own fixtures and fittings?

We prefer to use our suppliers for the larger items; however, we are happy for you to provide small items such as bathroom mirrors and pendant lighting.

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### Pricing & Finance:

#### How much will my cabin cost to build?

Our indicative pricing gives you a great starting point, showing pricing based on our standard spec for each cabin size. But here's the real magic, every Compac Home is individually priced to match the choices you make during your initial consultation.

That means no guesswork, no surprises — just a fixed, accurate quote tailored to your style, needs, and budget.

Ready to bring your vision to life? Book your consult today and let's create something uniquely yours.

#### How do you structure your pricing?

Each Compac Home is individually quoted to reflect your chosen size, layout, and the features that matter most to you. We start with a clear base specification and work with you to customise from there.

Every inclusion and upgrade is transparently itemised, so you can adjust your selections to suit your style and stay within your budget. And with our fixed price guarantee, once your quote is finalised, that's exactly what you'll pay — no hidden costs, no surprises.

#### What is required for a deposit?

Once you are happy with your plan and quote, we require a 30% deposit to be paid prior to starting your detailed plan and building. The balance is then due prior to delivery of the cabin.

#### Do you provide finance options?

Unfortunately, we do not provide financing. However, you can visit the Finance Page on the Compac Homes website to connect with our trusted finance partners.

### The Build:

#### When can you start building my cabin?

Your build is given a scheduled start and approximate delivery date on payment of a deposit. Your delivery date is confirmed once you are close to the start of your build.

#### How long does it take to build a cabin?

Our cabins take approximately 4 weeks to build, however this depends on lead times for materials and staffing levels. As with any building project we can come across situations that are out of our control; however we keep in touch around timing as much as we can.

#### Can I get regular updates during my build process?

Our design consultant will send you regular updates with photos and videos, from the start of your build right up until your brand-new cabin is being carefully loaded on the delivery truck and driven out the gate.

### Your Site and Delivery:

#### How will you transport my completed cabin to my site?

We use a trusted contractor to transport your cabin to you, and once on site our experienced Compac Homes' team will position your cabin in your chosen location

#### How much does delivery cost?

This is very dependent on the size of your cabin, distance, time, and the individual site access etc. We will work with you to determine a delivery cost using satellite imagery, any provided photos/videos, or for more difficult sites we can complete a site visit.

#### How do I know if my site is suitable for a Compac Homes Cabin?

Have a chat to one of our Design Consultants about your unique site. If your site has potential access issues or is not straight forward, we can use satellite imagery or complete a site visit to assess its suitability. Rest assured we are very experienced with siting our cabins and have delivered to some pretty tricky places!

#### What preparations do I need to take to set up my site for my cabin?

There are a few things you can do on your behalf to make the delivery run smoothly. You will need to ensure that the site is clear of any objects that could make the delivery difficult.

#### A few things to consider:

**Height:** Ideally, we need a 4.6m height clearance from trees, power lines, or anything overhead that may damage the cabin or hinder us entering the property etc.

#### Width:

Ideally your entry access should be 1 metre wider than the cabin to allow us to truck onto site. You also need to ensure that there is space to pivot if required.

#### Foundation:

Compac Homes can provide an engineered pile plan for placing your Compac Home, should you wish. Please note that there are additional costs involved for the pile plan and pile installation. Alternatively, if you wish to remain transportable you will need to have the area levelled or prepared to place the cabin in the desired position. We generally advise scraping 200-300mm of topsoil from your site and replacing it with a hard-packed material, such as GAP 40, to achieve a level finish.