

A Shed Buyers Guide to Peace of Mind

Dear Shed Customer,

With over 60 years of experience in selling and building Ranbuild Sheds, we know you have a lot to consider when it comes to buying your new shed. We understand that this purchase is a big investment, and for that reason we'd like to give you some answers to the most commonly asked questions to assist you in making an informed decision.

Are all Sheds the same?

NO, all sheds are **NOT** the same. It's the components used to hold them together that counts. The connection brackets and what secures the structure to the slab are crucial to a strong building. The grade, thickness and tensility of the steel sections are all important components to your building's structure. **Remember** it's not just about how big the sections are or how heavy the building is, it's how the components work together to give you a shed that will perform to your needs.

Ranbuild designs are developed and tested at BlueScope Lysaght's NATA registered Research and Development facility by experienced BlueScope engineers, so you can be confident your shed will be strong and durable.

Why are some sheds cheaper than others?

- ▶ Not all sheds are made from well known materials like 100% Australian made COLORBOND® and GALVSPAN® steel manufactured by BlueScope Steel. Most Ranbuild shed components are guaranteed to be manufactured from BlueScope Steel product and are therefore backed by the strength and integrity of Australia's largest manufacturer.
- ▶ Ranbuild takes the time to ensure your design quote is complete and contains **NO** hidden costs. We'll ensure the building quote and design is suitable for your local environment. Don't get caught buying a shed only to find out later you have to pay more for additional structural support so your local authority will approve it. More information is available at www.steel.org.au
- ▶ Ranbuild sheds are consolidated at BlueScope Lysaght centres, where components are checked, wrapped for protection and delivered to your chosen address. You'll find comfort in knowing your shed construction will go to plan because of these important steps.

Remember your purpose for building, and what prized possessions are in or under it. A quality building design by a trusted brand like BlueScope far outweighs the short term experience of a small saving. Ranbuild is proudly Australian made and owned.

I've seen the word "Compliance" associated with shed designs. What does it mean?

Compliance means that the design complies with the Building Code of Australia (BCA), which is the minimum necessary building design and construction standards issued by the government. Essentially the BCA exists to ensure health, safety and sustainability factors are considered in the design of a building.

How do you check if the shed you want is compliant? A good way is to check if your buying from a member of the Industry body the Australian Steel Institute Steel Shed Group. Ranbuild is a founding Member. Visit www.steel.org.au for more information.

How do I know if the building I buy is suitable for my location and needs?

It's one thing to have a building engineered and certified, it's another to ensure the building you want is the right building for your location. Every Ranbuild design is individually checked and signed off by a registered engineer. You can have peace of mind that the building you have ordered is designed to meet the conditions of your area. Any **reputable Shed Company** should be able to guarantee you, and show an engineer has physically taken the time to look at your specific building, and the area its going, and make sure its right. If you are given generic engineering plans, stop and ask, is this the right building for my block? Get peace of mind, a **blue ink** signature and ask for site specific engineering to ensure it's safe.

Where do I go if something goes wrong?

With the purchase of a Ranbuild shed, you have the added comfort of speaking directly with a local Ranbuild dealer. Ranbuild have over 130 Dealerships across Australia. Take added comfort from the fact you can speak directly to your Ranbuild shed supplier. Not all shed suppliers operate in the same way. If you can't see the person you've contracted to supply your shed, you should ask why? It's your money.

Ranbuild operate a full tracking system on all sheds with the support of our Dealer network and BlueScope Lysaght. Photos are taken at critical stages to verify checking and quality control measures ensuring every possible step is taken to eliminate any issues with the supply of your new building. We have been doing this for over 60 years so you can feel confident we know sheds.

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What should I look for if I want someone to assist with all tasks involved in my shed purchase?

Ranbuild understands the purchase of a shed can be an involved process and one you're not doing on a regular basis. For that reason our dealers are only too happy to help you through the entire process. Ranbuild Dealers, if not already experienced builders themselves, are affiliated with local licensed builders experienced in shed construction and can assist you in finding the perfect builder for your requirements. They won't just give you a list of builder's names. You can bet there is a local Ranbuild building near you where you can see the workmanship yourself. Your Local Ranbuild dealers will also help you with local authorities. They are accredited and trained to understand your needs to make the building process simple.

What should I look for if I want to build it myself?

All Buildings are designed specifically to your requirements, so all buildings will therefore be different to build. Ranbuild designed buildings provide a complete set of construction drawings to accompany the assembly guide. Together these documents give you all the detail you'll need to accurately determine where things go. We have taken the time to make it easy by applying codes to products so you know which piece goes where. We have specific structural, sheeting and slab plans.

Beware of generic construction guides that aren't specific to the shed you want to build yourself. Ranbuild have a comprehensive set of drawings for a reason.

Finally if you are unsure, have a look at your local accredited dealers display site, you are bound to get an understanding of how easy or difficult they are to build. If there is no Display, you need to ask why.

To further help you with your purchase we have provided a checklist for you to compare what's most important when spending your hard earned money.

Ranbuild are proud of its history with over 60 years of experience in Sheds so we will be here tomorrow and the next day. We use only Australian made BlueScope Steel. In fact we are a fully owned business of BlueScope Steel so we know sheds. If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to contact your local accredited dealer.

Kind Regards,
Your local accredited Ranbuild dealer

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Are the brackets that hold my building together made of Hi tensile G450 grade steel?	YES	?
Does the supplier pre test major connections in a NATA registered lab?	YES	?
Is the shed supplier 100% owned by BlueScope Steel Manufactured By BlueScope Steel and Australian Made?	YES	?
Are the buildings consolidated into 1 pack shrink wrapped and delivered one drop to my site?	YES	?
Are all the smalls like screws etc packed in hardwood timber boxes for security and wrapped with the shed?	YES	?
Has my shed supplier participated in a 3rd party engineering design check by the Australian Steel Institute?	YES	?
Are quality long lasting class 4 screws supplied with my building and do they have neoprene washers to avoid leaks for both roof and walls screws?	YES	?
Will the engineering for my building be sighted and signed off by a registered engineer and site specific to the area I am building it? I don't want just generic engineering plans.	YES	?
Is there a system to limit the chances of errors and a system to monitor and log for quick turn around in the event something is missing?	YES	?
Are there quality display sites I can visit to see for my self differences in products and make an informed decision about my shed?	YES	?
Does the shed supplier offer the financial security of top 50 ASX company?	YES	?
Does the Shed supplier have over 60 years experience in shed industry?	YES	?
If I want to build myself will I get detailed sheeting and structural marked drawings specific to my shed? I don't want just a generic construction manual.	YES	?
If I want the shed built for me will the shed supplier arrange a complete service for me? I don't want a list of names I need to project manage myself.	YES	?



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