BCCM

# Form 34



Justice and Attorney-General

## **Body corporate certificate – Specified Two-lot Schemes**

This form is effective from 1 August 2025

For the sale of a lot included in a community titles scheme under the Body Corporate and Community Management (Specified Two-lot Schemes Module) Regulation 2011

WARNING - Do not sign a contract to buy a property in a community titles scheme until you have read and understood the information in this certificate. Obtain independent legal advice if needed.

You may rely on this certificate against the body corporate as conclusive evidence of matters stated in the certificate, except any parts where the certificate contains an error that is reasonably apparent.

This certificate contains important information about the lot and community titles scheme named in the certificate, including:

property details and contacting the body corporate Page 3 by-laws and exclusive use areas This certificate does <u>not</u> include information about

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- physical defects in the common property or buildings in the scheme;
- body corporate expenses and liabilities for which no lot owner agreements have been made:
- body corporate decisions made by lot owner agreements (other than lot owner agreements about agreed body corporate expenses);
- current, past or planned body corporate disputes or court actions;
- orders made against the body corporate by an adjudicator, a tribunal or a court; or
- the lawful use of lots, including whether a lot can be used for short-term letting.

Search applicable planning laws, instruments and documents to find out what your lot can be used for. If you are considering short-term letting your lot, contact your solicitor, the relevant local government or other planning authority to find out about any approvals you will need or if there are any restrictions on short-term letting. It is possible that lots in the community titles scheme are being used now or could in future be used lawfully or unlawfully for short-term or transient accommodation.

## Becoming an owner

When you become an owner of a lot in a community titles scheme, you:

- automatically become a member of the body corporate and have the right to make decisions about the scheme with the owner of the other lot in the scheme;
- must pay contributions towards agreed body corporate expenses (for example, insurance);
- must comply with the body corporate by-laws.

A body corporate under the Body Corporate and Community Management (Specified Two-lot Schemes Module) Regulation 2011 consists of the owners of the two lots in the scheme. The two lot owners make body corporate decisions by agreement (called 'lot owner agreements').

You must tell the body corporate that you have become the owner of a lot in the scheme within 1 month of settlement. You can do this by using the BCCM Form 8 – Information for body corporate roll. Fines may apply if you do not comply.

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#### How to get more information

You can inspect the body corporate records which will provide important information about matters not included in this certificate. To inspect the body corporate records, you can contact the person responsible for keeping body corporate records (see page 3), or you can engage the services of a search agent. Fees will apply.

Planning and development documents can be obtained from the relevant local government or other planning authority. Some relevant documents, such as the development approval, may be available from the body corporate, depending on when and how the body corporate was established.

#### The community management statement

Each community titles scheme has a community management statement (CMS) recorded with Titles Queensland, which contains important information about the rights and obligations of the owners of lots in the scheme. The seller must provide you with a copy of the CMS for the scheme before you sign a contract.

## The Office of the Commissioner for Body Corporate and Community Management

The Office of the Commissioner for Body Corporate and Community Management provides an information and community education service and a dispute resolution service for those who live, invest or work in community titles schemes. Visit <a href="https://www.qld.gov.au/bodycorporate">www.qld.gov.au/bodycorporate</a>.

You can ask for a search of adjudicators orders to find out if there are any past or current dispute applications lodged for the community titles scheme for the lot you are considering buying www.qld.gov.au/searchofadjudicatorsorders.

Property details and contacting	g the body corporate
Name and number of the community titles scheme (Ex	ample – Seaview CTS 1234)
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Lot and plan details	
Lot number:	JISC.
Plan type and number (Example – BUP 1234):	August
Plan of subdivision: ☐ Standard Format ☐ Buildir	ng Format □ Volumetric Format
The plan of subdivision applying to a lot determines mainte	enance and insurance responsibilities.
Building management statements	A W Y
A building management statement is a document, which ca out how property and shared facilities are accessed, maint an agreement between lot owners in the building that usua access, support and shelter, and insurance arrangements. scheme's land.	ained and paid for by lots in the building. It is ally provides for supply of utility services,
Does a building management statement apply to the co	ommunity titles scheme?
☐ Yes ☐ No  If yes, you can obtain a copy of the statement from Titles Cosek legal advice about the rights and obligations under the signing the contract – for example, this can include costs the shared areas and services.	e building management statement before
Body corporate manager	
Bodies corporate often engage a body corporate manager	to handle administrative functions.
Is there a body corporate manager for the scheme?	
$\square$ Yes. The body corporate manager is:	
Name:	Company:
Phone:	Email:
□ No	
Accessing records	
Who is responsible for keeping the body corporate's re	ecords?
$\square$ The body corporate manager named above.	
☐ The following person:	
Name:	Role:
Phone:	Email:

## By-laws and exclusive use areas

The body corporate may make by-laws (rules) about the use of common property and lots included in the community titles scheme. You must comply with the by-laws for scheme. By-laws can regulate a wide range of matters, including noise, the appearance of lots, carrying out work on lots (including renovations), parking, requirements for body corporate approval to keep pets, and whether smoking is permitted on outdoor areas of lots and the common property. However, by-laws cannot regulate the type of residential use of lots that may lawfully be used for residential purposes. You should read the by-laws before signing a contract.

#### What by-laws apply?

The by-laws that apply to the scheme are specified in the community management statement for the scheme provided to you by the seller.

The community management statement will usually list the by-laws for the scheme. If the statement does not list any by-laws, Schedule 4 of the *Body Corporate and Community Management Act 1997* will apply to the scheme

to the scheme.
General by-laws
☐ The community management statement includes the complete set of by-laws that apply to the scheme.
☐ The community management statement specifies the by-laws in Schedule 4 of the <i>Body Corporate</i> and Community Management Act 1997 apply to the scheme.
Exclusive use areas
Individual lots may be granted exclusive use of common property or a body corporate asset, for example, a courtyard, car park or storage area. The owner of a lot to whom exclusive use rights are given will usually be required to maintain the exclusive use area unless the exclusive use by-law or other allocation of common property provides otherwise.
Are there any exclusive use by-laws or other allocations of common property in effect for the community titles scheme?
□ Yes
□ No
If yes, the exclusive use by-laws or other allocations of common property for the schemes are: (select all that apply)
☐ listed in the community management statement
□ given with this certificate.

#### Lot entitlements and financial information

#### Lot entitlements

Lot entitlements are used to determine the proportion of body corporate expenses each lot owner is responsible for.

The community management statement contains two schedules of lot entitlements – a contribution schedule of lot entitlements and an interest schedule of lot entitlements, outlining the entitlements for each lot in the scheme. The contribution schedule lot entitlement for a lot (as a proportion of the total for both lots) is used to calculate the lot owner's contribution to most body corporate expenses, and the interest schedule lot entitlement for a lot (as a proportion of the total for both lots) is used to calculate the

lot owner's contribution to insurance expenses in some cases. Lots may have different lot entitlements and therefore may pay different contributions to the body corporate's expenses.
You should consider the lot entitlements for the lot compared to the lot entitlements for other lots in the scheme before you sign a contract of sale.
Contribution schedule
Contribution schedule lot entitlement for the lot:
Contribution schedule lot entitlements for both lots:
Interest schedule
Interest schedule lot entitlement for the lot:
Interest schedule lot entitlements for both lots:
Financial accounts
Does the body corporate keep one or more financial institution accounts (for example, a bank account)?  Yes  No  If yes, the name and amount held in the account/s and the person/s authorised to operate the account/s are:  given with this certificate  as follows:  Name of financial institution:  Name of the person/s authorised to operate the account:  Current amount held in the account: \$
Rody cornorate debts

If any contributions or other body corporate debt (including penalties or reasonably incurred recovery costs) owing in relation to the lot are not paid before you become the owner of the property, YOU WILL BE LIABLE TO PAY THEM TO THE BODY CORPORATE. Before signing the contract, you should make sure that the contract addresses this or provides for an appropriate adjustment at settlement.

## Owner contributions and amounts owing

Agreed body corporate expenses					
An agreed body corporate expense is an item of expenditure that the body corporate has decided, by a lot owner agreement, to incur. An agreed body corporate expense also includes expenses the body corporate is required to incur to comply with the Act, a statutory order or notice given to the body corporate, an order of an adjudicator, a judgment or order of a court, or an order of QCAT. The owner of each lot is required to pay a contribution to an agreed body corporate expense.					
Are there any agreed body corporate expens		a contribut	tion to?		
□ Yes	AUGU				
□ No	A.V				
If yes, the contributions payable by the owner	er of the lot that this certificate relates to are	listed belo	ow.		
WARNING: you may have to contribute accovered by an agreed body corporate exp		is not alr	eady		
Contributions payable by the lot					
Total amount of contributions for lot for the current financial year: \$  Number of instalments: (outlined below)					
Due date Amount due Purpose of expense Paid					
		□ Yes	□ No		
		☐ Yes	□ No		
/ \$ □ Yes □ No					
Yes   No					
Other amounts payable by the lot owner					
For the current financial year there are:					
☐ No other amounts payable for the lot.					
☐ Amounts payable under exclusive use by-laws, totalling \$					
☐ Amounts payable under service agreements (that are not included in body corporate contributions for the lot), totalling \$					
☐ Other amounts, totalling \$ (see explanation given with this certificate)					
Summary of amounts due but not paid by the current owner					
At the date of this certificate:					
☐ All payments for the lot are up to date.					
☐ The following amounts are due but not yet paid for the lot:					
☐ Overdue contributions for agreed body corporate expenses: \$					
☐ Other amounts due but not paid	•				

Total amounts due but not paid: \$.....

## Common property, assets and contracts

When you buy a lot in a community titles scheme, you also own a share in the common property and assets for the scheme. Common property can include driveways, lawns, gardens and shared facilities. Assets can include gym equipment and pool furniture.

The body corporate is usually responsible for maintaining common property in a good and structurally sound condition. However, an owner is responsible for maintaining common property or assets that their lot has been allocated exclusive use of, or for maintaining improvements to common property or utility infrastructure that is only for the benefit of their lot. The body corporate may have additional maintenance responsibilities, depending on the plan of subdivision the scheme is registered under. For more

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information, visit <u>www.qld.gov.au/buyingbodycorporate</u> .
Improvements the lot owner is responsible for
A lot owner may make improvements to the common property for the benefit of their lot if authorised by the body corporate or under an exclusive use by-law. The owner of the lot is usually responsible for maintenance of these improvements, unless the body corporate authorises an alternative maintenance arrangement or it is specified in the relevant by-law.
☐ There are no authorised improvements to the common property that the owner of the lot is responsible for maintaining in good condition.
☐ Details of authorised improvements to the common property that the owner of the lot is responsible for maintaining in good condition are given with this certificate.
Body corporate assets
Are there any body corporate assets more than \$1,000 in value?
☐ Yes – details of the relevant assets are given with this certificate.
□ No
Service contracts
A body corporate may engage service contractors to provide services to the body corporate to assist in the management of the scheme.
The maximum term of a service contract that can be entered into by a body corporate is 1 year.
You may inspect the body corporate records to find information about engagements entered into by the body corporate, including the term of the engagement, as well as duties required to be performed and remuneration payable by the body corporate under the engagement.
Embedded network electricity supply
Is there an arrangement to supply electricity to occupiers in the community titles scheme through an embedded network?
□ Yes
□ No
More information about embedded networks in community titles schemes is available from: <a href="https://www.qld.gov.au/buyingbodycorporate">www.qld.gov.au/buyingbodycorporate</a> .

#### Insurance

The body corporate must insure the common property and assets for full replacement value and public risk.

The body corporate must insure, for full replacement value, the following buildings where lots in the scheme are created:

- under a building format plan of subdivision or volumetric format plan of subdivision each building that contains an owner's lot (e.g. a unit or apartment); or
- under a standard format plan of subdivision each building on a lot that has a common wall with a building on an adjoining lot.

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☐ Details of each current insurance policy held by the body corporate including, for each policy, the:

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- · type of policy;
- name of insurer;
- sum insured;
- amount of premium; and
- excess payable on a claim.

are given with this certificate.

#### Alternative insurance

Where the body corporate is unable to obtain the required building insurance, an adjudicator may order that the body corporate take out alternative insurance. Information about alternative insurance is available from <a href="https://www.gld.gov.au/buyingbodycorporate">www.gld.gov.au/buyingbodycorporate</a>.

Does the body corporate currently hold alternative insurance approved under an alternative insurance order?

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□ No

### Lot owner and occupier insurance

The occupier is responsible for insuring the contents of the lot and any public liability risks which might occur within the lot. The owner is responsible for insuring buildings that do not share a common wall if the scheme is registered under a standard format plan of subdivision, unless the body corporate has set up a voluntary insurance scheme and the owner has opted-in.

More information about insurance in community titles schemes is available from your solicitor or www.qld.gov.au/buyingbodycorporate.

# **Body corporate authority**

This certificate was completed by:
$\ \square$ The owners of both lots in the community titles scheme (i.e. the body corporate);
☐ A body corporate manager or other authorised agent on behalf of the body corporate;
☐ The owner of the lot to which this certificate relates (authorised by a lot owner agreement);
$\Box$ The owner of the other lot in the community titles scheme (authorised by a lot owner agreement).
Name/s
Signature/s Date
Copies of documents given with this certificate:  □ details of exclusive use by-laws or other allocations of common property (if applicable)
□ details of financial accounts (if applicable)
$\square$ details of amounts due to the body corporate for another reason (if applicable)
$\square$ details of improvements the owner is responsible for (if applicable)
□ details of body corporate assets (if applicable)
□ details of insurance policies held by the body corporate