

Where to from here?

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Darwin Comfort Rating Forum

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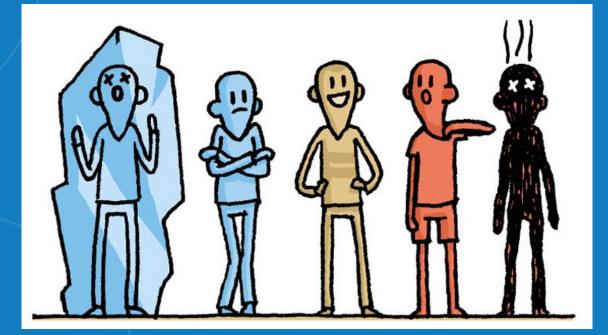


Image: https://www.phsc.co.uk/thermal-comfort-in-your-workplace

National perspective

- CSIRO is funding comfort threshold studies in other National Construction Code climate zones to enable expansion of comfort rating (or similar) methodology
- Discussions are underway regarding possible inclusion of the voluntary 'for information' comfort rating performance indicators in:
 - The national house energy rating Software Accreditation Protocol
 - Other house energy rating software



NT Government leading by example

DIPL Housing Program Office supports progress toward comfort rating assessments and undertakes, from 1 July 2023, to:

- Assess all new homes commissioned for construction under NatHERS Climate Zone 1 design assessments; and
- Review housing designs and lot orientations and where practical make changes to improve comfort ratings and energy efficiency

Land Development Corporation is planning to ...

 ... require minimum comfort ratings for residential building designs at the Fannie Bay old Sports House site



Industry and Community Roll-Out Project

The Darwin Living Lab Management Committee has provided in-principle support for:

- Incentives for house energy assessors to provide approximately 100 comfort ratings
- Tool functionality and usefulness to be monitored and evaluated and reported back on in a workshop (late 2023 or early 2024)
- Project design to be co-developed with key stakeholders
- CSIRO will manage project
- Please notify CSIRO if you wish to be part of project design discussions (reply to email to be circulated after forum)



