

State-wide Equipment Program (SWEP) Information RE: Ramp Modifications



The department strongly recommends that all ramp modifications comply with *Australian Standard 1428.1 -2001 (AS1428.1)* as there may be a safety risk associated with ramp modifications that do not comply with AS 1428.1

Although AS 1428.1 specifically excludes work to private residences, it is the most relevant standard in relation to the work carried out by the State-wide equipment program (SWEP) in the funding of home modifications for people with a Disability.

The purpose of the attached Acknowledgments and Release is to ensure that all parties are aware of a possible risk and to indicate why a non-compliant modification is required for your particular needs.

Acknowledgement

This deed is made on the _____ day of _____ 20__

I, _____ (therapists name)

1. Acknowledge to the Secretary to the Department of Human Services of 50 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne, Victoria, 3000 being a body corporate established under the Health Act 1958 (Department Human Services) that the ramp funded by the department pursuant to the State-wide equipment program and to be installed at the address specified in **Item 1** below (the Property) for the person detailed in **Item 2** (the Client) is satisfactory to the needs of the client but does not comply with *Australian Standard 1428.1-2001 (AS1428.1)* because **(tick 1 or more as appropriate)**

(a) compliance with AS 1428.1 means that the functional needs of the Client specified in

Item 2 of the Schedule will not be met

(b) compliance with AS 1428.1 cannot be made because of the nature of and /or existing improvements at the Property

(c) compliance with AS 1428.1 would impose undue hardship on the client

Item 1: Address:

Item 2: Name of Client:

SIGNED by _____)

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In the presence of: _____)