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Dear Shed Buyer,

If you haven't yet heard of ShedSafe™, here are some important facts you must know before purchasing a shed.

ShedSafe™ is the Australian Steel Institute (ASI) new industry benchmark accreditation scheme for steel shed design.

Fair Dinkum Homes & Sheds is proud to advise you that we are one of only a handful of companies across Australia that have received this accreditation!

ShedSafe™ accreditation came about after the ASI learned that most sheds that had structural failures during cyclone Larry in 2006, were not built to the standards set by the Building Code of Australia (BCA). Evidence of under-engineered sheds has also been discovered in areas across Australia – putting people and property at risk.

Using a ShedSafe™ accredited company provides you with increased confidence that the engineering guidelines set by the BCA are adhered to in the design of your shed, barn or garage.

ShedSafe™ accreditation cannot be purchased - it has to be earned.

To earn our accreditation, Fair Dinkum Homes & Sheds underwent a rigorous auditing and certification process by the Australian Steel Institute's panel of independent engineers and specialists.

Being ShedSafe™ accredited is a commitment that buildings designed for each of our 130+ nationwide distributors and their customers adhere to the Building Code of Australia (BCA).

Why should you trust Fair Dinkum Homes & Sheds?

- We are already **ShedSafe™ accredited**; meaning the hard work of checking engineering compliance has been done by an independent body.
- We can supply a full set of **Design Calculations** specific to your shed at no cost. These calculations are usually 25-30 pages long (provided electronically to save paper) and set out the checks that have been completed in order to design your shed to meet the requirements of the BCA.
- All Fair Dinkum Homes & Sheds quotes will be accompanied by a set of **Site-Specific Plans** and where necessary, an engineering design certificate where required (Form 15 in QLD, Form 11 in Vic, etc).

Be wary of any brand that is not ShedSafe™ accredited and that cannot provide the documents listed above. If they aren't ShedSafe accredited and can't provide the required documents, ask why not?

It's important not to accept an Engineering design certificate signed by an Engineer without the Structural Design Computations and individual site plan – any reputable shed supplier should be able to provide both if they completed the Engineering work for your building and specific site.

Getting a compliant shed is important; it provides peace of mind that your family and valuable possessions will be safe for years to come. Be sure to check the engineering capabilities of your shed provider prior to ordering your next shed.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact your local Fair Dinkum Sheds Distributor.

Kind Regards,

Fair Dinkum Homes and Sheds

Real Sheds - Real Value!

