

Who can use the Housing Design Catalogue?

The Housing Design Catalogue is free and available to everyone from homeowners and builders to developers, designers and planning professionals. Users are responsible to adapt the designs and make sure they meet all applicable laws including local bylaws and building codes.

The Catalogue was created by the Government of Canada in partnership with regional architecture and engineering teams. It was also shaped by feedback from municipalities, planners, provincial and territorial governments.

Can all the designs be used anywhere?

The catalogue is organized by region. Designs for outside New Brunswick may have to be revised to meet local Building Code requirements.

What is included in the Technical Design Packages?

The Technical Design Packages include:

- Architectural and engineering drawings (PDF, CAD, BIM)
- Energy reporting documents and templates (PDF, Excel and HOT2000)
- Building Performance Reports (PDF)
- [User Guide \(PDF\)](#)
- Catalogue Terms and Conditions (PDF)

Do the designs meet energy efficiency standards?

Yes. The designs meet the minimum energy code requirements for their region and, in most cases, exceed them. Energy efficiency was a guiding principle in the development of the Housing Design Catalogue, with most designs targeting Tier 3 of the National Building Code of Canada 2020.

How the catalogue works:

1. Browse the catalogue
2. Choose your design
3. Adapt it to your site
4. Apply for permits