

Part 10.5 Light

10.5.1 Natural light

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- (1) Natural light must be provided to all *habitable rooms*, in accordance with the requirements of (2) to (5).
- (2) Natural light must be provided by—
 - (a) *windows*, excluding *roof lights* that—
 - (i) have an aggregate light transmitting area measured exclusive of framing members, glazing bars or other obstructions of not less than 10% of the *floor area* of the room; and
 - (ii) are open to the sky or face a court or other space open to the sky or an open verandah, carport or the like; or
 - (b) *roof lights* that—
 - (i) have an aggregate light transmitting area measured exclusive of framing members, glazing bars or other obstructions of not less than 3% of the *floor area* of the room; and
 - (ii) are open to the sky; or
 - (c) a proportional combination of *windows* and *roof lights required* by (a) and (b).
- (3) A *window required* to provide natural light that faces a boundary of an adjoining allotment must not be less than a horizontal distance of 900 mm from that boundary.
- (4) Natural light to a room may come through one or more glazed panels or openings from an adjoining room (including an enclosed verandah) if—
 - (a) the glazed panels or openings have an aggregate light transmitting area of not less than 10% of the *floor area* of the room to which it provides light; and
 - (b) the adjoining room has—
 - (i) *windows*, excluding *roof lights* that—
 - (A) have an aggregate light transmitting area of not less than 10% of the combined *floor area* of both rooms; and
 - (B) are open to the sky or face a court or other space open to the sky or an open verandah, carport or the like; or
 - (ii) *roof lights* that—
 - (A) have an aggregate light transmitting area of not less than 3% of the combined *floor area* of both rooms; and
 - (B) are open to the sky; or
 - (iii) a proportional combination of *windows* and *roof lights required* by (i) and (ii).
- (5) The areas specified in (4)(a) and (b) may be reduced as appropriate if direct natural light is provided from another source.

Notes

Figure 10.5.1 illustrates requirements of this provision.