



HELPFUL RULES FOR A RENOVATION

KNOW WHAT YOU WANT

What do you need, how do you want your 'new' renovation project to look, feel and work for you and your family. Develop a plan and explore ideas for your project.

Fill in our "Your Renovation Goals" & "Wish List & Needs" checklist you can find them at www.greenstonebuildingsolutions.com.au/

SET A REALISTIC BUDGET

Decide as early as possible how much money you want to spend, let your builder know so he can then let you know what you can and can't get within your budget. Remember that your budget should cover everything that may arise from the renovation, including such items as new drapery, blinds and appliances if needed. Chat to your lender about what you can afford if you need to finance the project.

PLAN FOR THE LONG TERM

Professional builders can conduct a thorough inspection of your home and offer suggestions for the most effective sequencing of work over a period of time. Make sure you let your builder know what your short and long term goals are for your family and renovation.

Fill out our "Future Needs" checklist you can find it at www.greenstonebuildingsolutions.com.au/

SEEK QUALITY

Be careful not to jeopardise the quality of your renovation project by compromising on the quality of products or materials. If it's worth doing, it's worth doing well. Professional and experienced builders will help you choose the best products within your budget.

DON'T CHOOSE A BUILDER ON PRICE ALONE

I know we all want value for money and it is always tempting to go for the lowest price, but you need to consider the implications if you choose a cheaper price. Does the builder really understand what's involved in your project are they doing exactly the same thing and using the same products and fittings egg apples for apples? and have the necessary experience? Will the builder offer a warranty on the work?

PROTECT YOURSELF

A written HIA contract spells out the arrangements between you and your builder and describes your renovation in detail.

Checkout licenses

Check with your state licensing body QBCC (QLD) to ensure the company has the necessary licenses or registrations and whether anyone has lodged a complaint against the company.