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**Master the Art of Requesting and Comparing
Builder Quotes in NSW:**

**Get the Best Value for Your
Dream Home!**



Introduction

Building your dream home in New South Wales (NSW) is an exciting journey, and selecting the right builder is crucial to the success of your project. To make the best decision, you need to request and compare quotes from prospective builders who are qualified, experienced, and within your budget. In this printable guide, we provide a comprehensive pre-construction checklist to help you request and compare quotes from builders, ensuring you get the best value for your dream home without compromising on quality.



Request and Compare Builder Quotes Checklist:

Item No.	Task	Details/Considerations	Completed (✓)
1	Determine your budget	Establish a budget for the construction project, including building costs, professional fees, and a contingency fund for unexpected expenses.	
2	Compile a list of potential builders	Research local builders, check online reviews, and ask for recommendations from friends, family, and colleagues who have recently built homes.	
3	Verify builder qualifications	Ensure potential builders hold the necessary licenses and registrations as required by NSW regulations.	



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4	Assess builder experience	Check how long the builder has been in business, their portfolio of completed projects, and whether they have experience in building homes similar to yours.	
5	Request detailed quotes	Obtain detailed, itemized quotes from potential builders that include a breakdown of costs, allowances, inclusions, and exclusions.	
6	Review quotes for completeness	Ensure quotes include all aspects of your project, and request clarification or additional information if necessary.	



Research and Assess Potential Builders Checklist

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7	Compare quotes	Assess the competitiveness and fairness of each quote, considering the quality of materials, workmanship, and the builder's reputation.	
8	Evaluate inclusions and exclusions	Review the list of inclusions and exclusions in each quote to ensure they align with your expectations and requirements.	
9	Analyze allowances	Check the allowances provided in each quote for items such as fixtures, finishes, and appliances, and ensure they are realistic and sufficient.	



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10	Assess payment terms	Review the payment terms and schedule in each quote, and ensure they are clear and reasonable.	
11	Verify warranty coverage	Confirm the warranty coverage offered by each builder, including the duration, inclusions, and exclusions.	
12	Compare builder references	Speak to references provided by each builder to gain insight into their experiences and satisfaction with the builder's work.	



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13	Investigate potential hidden costs	Look for any potential hidden costs in the quotes, such as site preparation, soil tests, or landscaping, and factor them into your comparison.	
14	Assess builder responsiveness	Consider the builder's responsiveness and professionalism during the quoting process as an indicator of their communication during the project.	
15	Make a decision	Based on your comparison, select the builder who best aligns with your budget, quality expectations, and overall project requirements.	





Conclusion

With our Request and Compare Builder Quotes Checklist in hand, you are well-prepared to make an informed decision when selecting a builder for your dream home in NSW. By thoroughly requesting and comparing quotes, you can ensure that you get the best value for your project without compromising on quality. Armed with this knowledge, you can confidently embark on your construction journey and watch your dream home come to life. Happy building!

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