

# ROBUST HOUSING

## What is NDIA?

The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) is a government agency who implements and manages the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

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The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is funding provided to support people with permanent and significant disabilities across Australia.

## What is SDA?

Specialist Disability Accommodation (SDA) is housing designed for NDIS participants with extreme functional impairment or very high support needs.

## Are there different types of SDA?

There are 4 different types of Specialist Disability Accommodation (SDA), referred to as SDA Design Categories:



Improved liveability



Fully accessible



Robust



High physical support

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## What is Robust Housing?

Under Special Design Accommodation (SDA) design category requirements, Robust housing is designed and built to be very resilient and provide a high level of physical access provisions. This is achieved through the use of products, materials and features that minimise risk to participants and the community and reduce the chance of reactive maintenance.

## What are the requirements for a dwelling to be registered as Robust SDA?

- LHA Silver Level is based on the seven core livable housing design elements. Incorporating these features will avoid more costly home modifications if required at a later date.
- Resilient but inconspicuous materials that can withstand heavy use and minimise the risk of injury and neighbourhood disturbance
- Layout with areas of egress and retreat for staff and other residents to avoid harm if required

## How can Galvin Engineering help?

Galvin Specialised can offer full room solutions for safe robust housing environments. Our range includes anti-ligature tapware, showers, thermostatically controlled solutions through to Wallgate solid surface sanitaryware, anti-ligature grab rails, mirrors, drinking solutions and drainage products. We offer small to large scale water control systems and can assist in design through to commissioning.



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