

# Comparison of SMM7/BESMM3 with BESMM4

The following tables have been prepared by reviewing the sections in [SMM7/BESMM3](#) in order and identifying where the [measurement](#) rules are located and may have changed in [BESMM4](#). This is not a detailed comparison on a line by line basis but has looked at the general [measurement](#) principles.

The framing of descriptions is also not as simple following these new rules and care should be taken to ensure that each description adequately reflects the work to be priced.

One major change is in the layout of the document. There is now no reference to Co-ordinated Project Information and the lettering used previously has now been replaced with a numbering system. The comparison of the contents of each document appears in Table 1 and a comparison of the Part 3 rules in Table 2

## Table 1: Comparison of contents

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J Waterproofing

K Linings/Sheathing/Dry partitioning

L Windows/[doors](#)/[stairs](#)

M Surface finishes

[N Furniture/fittings](#)

P Building fabric sundries

Q Paving/Planting/Fencing/Site furniture

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S Piped supply systems

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Appendices

\*\*\*Builder's work in connection with mechanical, electrical and transportation installations are captured under relevant sections\*\*\*\*