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## AASB S2 Roadmap Compliance Guide

For Australian organisations required to prepare climate-related financial disclosures

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# Summary of Guide



All slides include a direct reference to the AASB S2 (09/24) Standards and relevant page number(s)



### Introduction & Compliance Overview



### **Overview of AASB S2**

Understanding the key elements of climate-related financial disclosures

### WHAT IS AASB S2?

AASB S2 is Australia's climate-related disclosure standard, aligned with IFRS S2. It ensures businesses report on climate risks, governance, and strategy, promoting transparency for investors and stakeholders.

#### WHO DOES IT APPLY TO?

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Large listed/regulated entities from 1 Jan 2025, with a phased rollout for smaller entities by 2027. Entities preparing general-purpose financial statements must comply and align climate risk & financial reporting.

#### **KEY PHASES & DATES**

Mandatory reporting follows a structured timeline, with transition relief available in the first year, including exemptions for comparative data and Scope 3 emissions.

### **Compliance Timeline**

First annual reporting periods starting on or after	Large entities and their controlled entities meeting at least <i>two</i> of <i>three</i> criteria:		
	Financial year consolidated revenue	End of financial year consolidated gross assets	End of financial year full time equivalent employees
<b>Group 1</b>	\$500m	\$1bn	500
1 January 2025	or more	or more	or more
<b>Group 2</b>	\$200m	\$500m	250
1 July 2026	or more	or more	or more
<b>Group 3</b>	\$50m	\$25m	100
1 July 2027	or more	or more	or more

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#### **Phased Reporting Approach**

AASB S2 introduces a structured rollout to ensure a smooth transition. Large entities must comply from **1 January 2025**, with SME's following in **2026 and 2027**. The phased approach allows businesses to adapt gradually, ensuring they meet disclosure obligations effectively.



#### **Meeting Compliance Criteria**

Entities are classified based on financial size, assets, and employees. Companies meeting at least **two out of three thresholds** must report. These thresholds include **revenue**, **gross assets, and workforce size**, ensuring proportionate adoption of climate-related financial disclosures.



#### **Transition & Early Adoption**

To ease implementation, organisations have access to **transition relief**, including deferred Scope 3 emissions reporting and no comparative data requirements in the first year. Businesses can also **opt for early adoption** to align with global sustainability reporting trends.

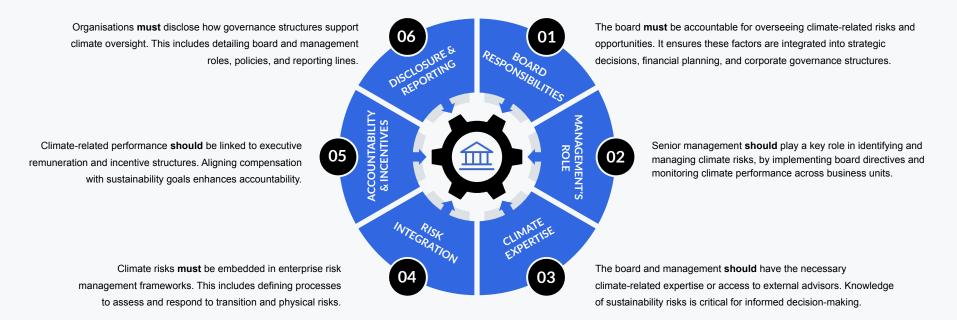


### Governance & Risk Management



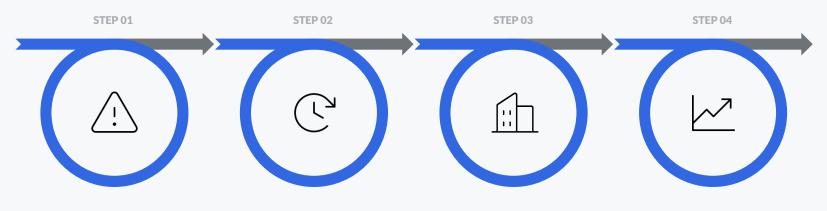
### **Governance and Oversight**

Ensuring strong governance structures for climate-related financial disclosures



### Strategy, Risk and Resilience

Identifying climate related risks and opportunities is required as part of the AASB S2 standards



#### **IDENTIFY RISKS/OPPS**

Determine the organisation's material climate-related risks and opportunities, classifying them as physical or transition risks.

#### **DEFINE TIME HORIZONS**

Disclose how risks/opps are assessed over the short, medium, and long term, including the rationale for defining these time periods.

#### **EVALUATE IMPACT**

Describe how climate factors affect business model, value chain, and planning decisions, including resource allocation.

#### ANALYSE SCENARIOS

Use qualitative or quantitative climate-related scenario analysis to evaluate resilience of strategy under different climate futures.

### **Risk Management Framework**

AASB S2 requires organisations to describe how climate-related risks and opportunities are managed through structured risk processes



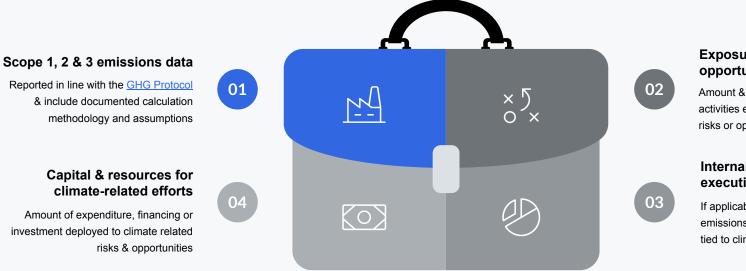


## **Climate Metrics & Targets**



### **Climate Metrics Disclosures**

These are the metrics that you are required to disclose under the AASB S2 standards



## Exposure to risks & opportunities

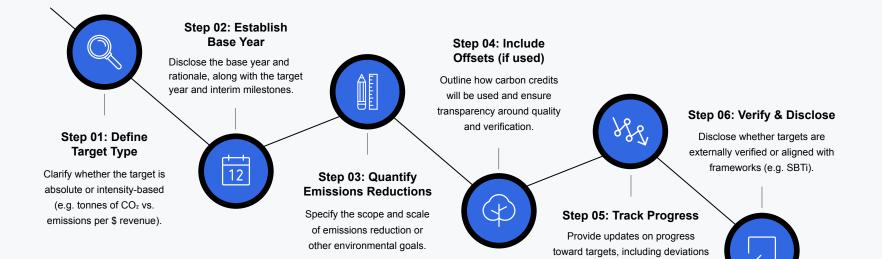
Amount & percent of assets or business activities exposed to physical/transition risks or opportunities

## Internal carbon pricing & executive remuneration

If applicable, internal price per tonne of emissions, or portion of executive pay tied to climate-related objectives

### **Climate Targets Disclosures**

These are the key steps for setting and reporting climate-related targets



and corrective actions.

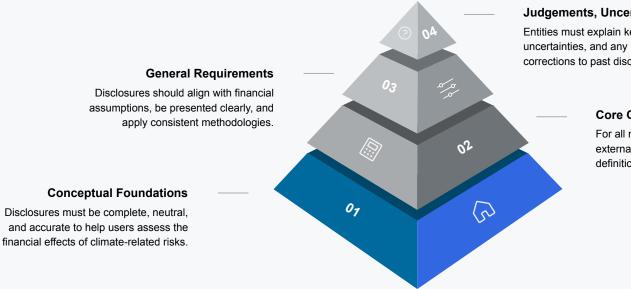


## **Reporting & Compliance**



## **Reporting & Compliance Summary**

Key principles shaping climate-related financial disclosures under AASB S2



#### Judgements, Uncertainties & Errors

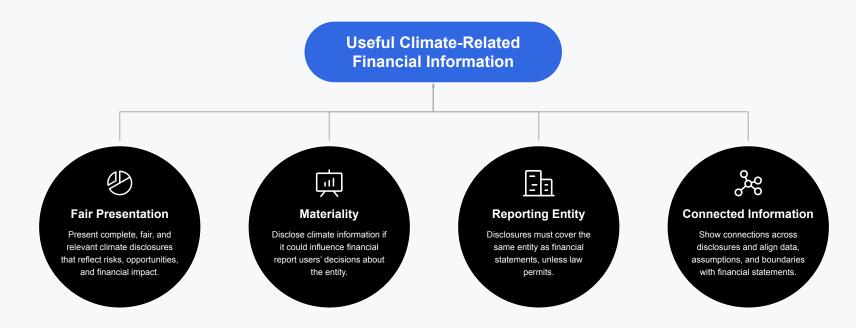
Entities must explain key assumptions, uncertainties, and any restatements or corrections to past disclosures.

#### Core Content

For all metrics developed internally or taken from external sources, entities must explain methodology, definitions, assumptions, and validation process.

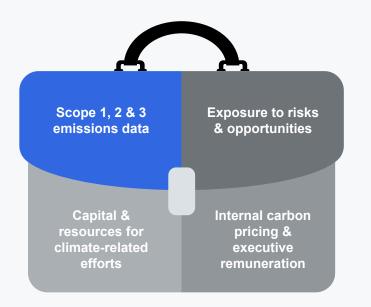
### **Conceptual Foundations**

These are the required and fundamental qualitative characteristics of useful climate-related financial information



### **Core Content**

Guidance for defining, presenting, and maintaining credible metrics



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#### **Source Identification**

If a metric is taken from outside the Australian standards, disclose its original source.

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Custom Metrics

For self-developed metrics, explain definitions, methodologies, assumptions, and third-party validation.



#### Measurement Type

Clarify whether the metric is absolute, relative, or qualitative (e.g. RAG rating).



#### **Consistency Over Time**

Disclose metrics consistently year to year, explaining any redefinitions or replacements.

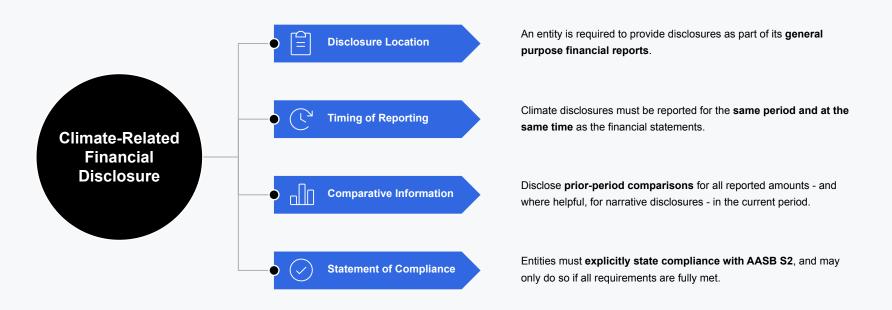
#### Clear Labelling

Metrics and targets must be clearly named and described for stakeholder understanding.

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### **General Requirements**

Foundational reporting obligations every entity must meet under AASB S2



### Judgements, Uncertainties & Errors

Disclosure expectations for subjective decisions, estimation risks, and prior period corrections



#### Judgements

Disclose key non-quantitative judgments, such as how risks are identified, materiality is assessed, and guidance is applied in climate-related disclosures.



#### Uncertainty

Disclose significant measurement uncertainties, including assumptions and data limitations, especially where estimates involve judgments or future events affecting reported amounts.



#### Errors

Material errors in prior climate disclosures must be corrected by restating comparatives, unless impracticable. Errors must be distinguished from changes in estimates.

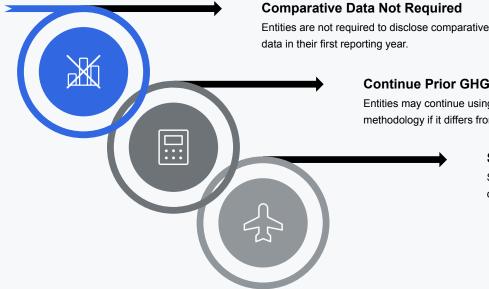


## **Transition & Next Steps**



### **Transition Relief**

Temporary flexibility to support initial implementation of AASB S2



Entities are not required to disclose comparative climate

#### **Continue Prior GHG Method**

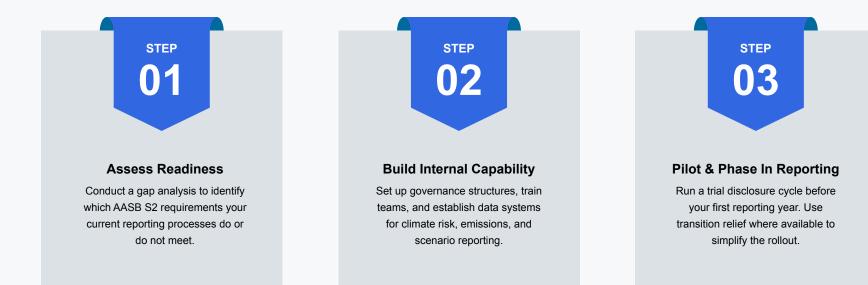
Entities may continue using their previous emissions methodology if it differs from the GHG Protocol.

#### Scope 3 Emissions Optional

Scope 3 emissions reporting can be deferred, but due to complexity, internal tracking in first year recommended.

### **Next Steps**

Preparing your organisation for AASB S2 implementation



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