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1 Objective

The objective of these Regulations is to make provision for—

- (a) the preparation of bushfire mitigation plans by specified operators and major electricity companies; and
- (b) the inspection of overhead electric lines and supply networks.

2 Authorising provisions

These Regulations are made under sections 151, 151A and 157 of the **Electricity Safety Act 1998**.

3 Commencement

These Regulations come into operation on 20 June 2013.

4 Revocation

The following Regulations are **revoked**—

- (a) the Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Regulations 2003¹;
- (b) the Electricity Safety Amendment (Bushfire Mitigation) Regulations 2011²;
- (c) the Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Amendment Regulations 2012³.

5 Definitions

In these Regulations—

Australian/New Zealand Wiring Rules means AS/NZS 3000, Australian/New Zealand Standard, 'Electrical installations', as published or amended from time to time;

Automatic Circuit Recloser means a device in relation to a SWER line that—

- (a) may be remotely controlled; and
- (b) is able automatically to interrupt and reclose an electric circuit by means of a programmed sequence that involves—
 - (i) opening and reclosing the electric circuit; and
 - (ii) resetting the electric circuit; and
 - (iii) holding the electric circuit closed; and
 - (iv) permanent interruption of the electric circuit;

Reg. 5 def. of
***Automatic
Circuit
Recloser***
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016 reg. 5.

Central Plan Office means the Central Plan Office of the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning;

Reg. 5 def. of
***Central Plan
Office***
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016 reg. 5.

electric line construction area means land delineated and shown bounded by an orange line on plans lodged in the Central Plan Office and numbered LEGL./16-199 to LEGL./16-231;

Reg. 5 def. of
***electric line
construction
area***
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016 reg. 5.

fire danger period means a period declared under section 4 of the **Country Fire Authority Act 1958** to be a fire danger period;

<p><i>high impedance faults</i> means a resistance value in ohms that is equal to twice the nominal phase-to-ground network voltage in volts;</p>	<p>Reg. 5 def. of <i>high impedance faults</i> inserted by S.R. No. 32/2016 reg. 5.</p>
<p><i>I²t</i> means a measure of the thermal energy associated with the current flow, where I is the current flow in amps and t is the duration of current flow in seconds;</p>	<p>Reg. 5 def. of <i>I²t</i> inserted by S.R. No. 32/2016 reg. 5.</p>
<p><i>low impedance faults</i> means a resistance value in ohms that is equal to the nominal phase-to-ground network voltage in volts divided by 31.75;</p>	<p>Reg. 5 def. of <i>low impedance faults</i> inserted by S.R. No. 32/2016 reg. 5.</p>
<p><i>polyphase electric line</i> means an electric line comprised of more than one phase of electricity with a nominal voltage between 1 kV and 22 kV;</p>	<p>Reg. 5 def. of <i>polyphase electric line</i> inserted by S.R. No. 32/2016 reg. 5.</p>
<p><i>required capacity</i> means, in the event of a phase-to-ground fault on a polyphase electric line, the ability—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) to reduce the voltage on the faulted conductor in relation to the station earth when measured at the corresponding zone substation for high impedance faults to 250 volts within 2 seconds; and(b) to reduce the voltage on the faulted conductor in relation to the station earth when measured at the corresponding zone substation for low impedance faults to—<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) 1900 volts within 85 milliseconds; and	<p>Reg. 5 def. of <i>required capacity</i> inserted by S.R. No. 32/2016 reg. 5.</p>

- (ii) 750 volts within 500 milliseconds;
and
- (iii) 250 volts within 2 seconds; and
- (c) during diagnostic tests for high impedance faults, to limit—
 - (i) fault current to 0.5 amps or less;
and
 - (ii) the thermal energy on the electric line to a maximum I^2t value of 0.10;

Reg. 5 def. of
SWER line
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016 reg. 5.

SWER line means a single wire earth return electric line;

the Act means the **Electricity Safety Act 1998**;

total fire ban day means a day that has been declared to be a day of total fire ban under section 40(1) of the **Country Fire Authority Act 1958**.

Reg. 5 def. of
wholly or substantially replaced
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016 reg. 5.

wholly or substantially replaced means the planned replacement or relocation of an electric line that involves—

- (a) the relocation of at least 4 consecutive spans of the electric line; or
- (b) the replacement of conductors on at least 4 consecutive spans of the electric line.

6 Prescribed particulars for bushfire mitigation plans—specified operators

For the purposes of section 83BA(2)(b) of the Act, the following are the prescribed particulars—

- (a) the name, address and telephone number of the specified operator;

- (b) the position, address and telephone number of the person who was responsible for the preparation of the plan;
- (c) the position, address and telephone number of the persons who are responsible for carrying out the plan;
- (d) the telephone number of the specified operator's control room so that persons in the room can be contacted in an emergency that requires action by the specified operator to mitigate the danger of bushfire;
- (e) the bushfire mitigation policy of the specified operator to minimise the risk of fire ignition from its at-risk electric lines;
- (f) the objectives of the plan to achieve the mitigation of fire danger arising from the specified operator's at-risk electric lines;
- (g) a description, map or plan of the land to which the bushfire mitigation plan applies, identifying the location of the specified operator's at-risk electric lines;
- (h) the preventative strategies and programs to be adopted by the specified operator to minimise the risk of the specified operator's at-risk electric lines starting fires;
- (i) a plan for inspection that ensures that all of the specified operator's at-risk electric lines are inspected at regular intervals of no longer than 37 months;
- (j) details of the processes and procedures for ensuring that each person who is assigned to carry out the inspections referred to in paragraph (i) has satisfactorily completed a training course approved by Energy Safe Victoria and is competent to carry out such inspections;

- (k) details of the processes and procedures for ensuring that persons (other than persons referred to in paragraph (j)) who carry out or will carry out functions under the plan are competent to do so;
- (l) the operation and maintenance plans for the specified operator's at-risk electric lines—
 - (i) in the event of a fire; and
 - (ii) during a total fire ban day; and
 - (iii) during a fire danger period;
- (m) the investigations, analysis and methodology to be adopted by the specified operator for the mitigation of the risk of fire ignition from its at-risk electric lines;
- (n) details of the processes and procedures by which the specified operator will—
 - (i) monitor the implementation of the bushfire mitigation plan; and
 - (ii) audit the implementation of the plan; and
 - (iii) identify any deficiencies in the plan or the plan's implementation; and
 - (iv) change the plan and the plan's implementation to rectify any deficiencies identified under subparagraph (iii); and
 - (v) monitor the effectiveness of inspections carried out under the plan; and
 - (vi) audit the effectiveness of inspections carried out under the plan;

- (o) the policy of the specified operator in relation to the assistance to be provided to fire control authorities in the investigation of fires near the specified operator's at-risk electric lines.

7 Prescribed particulars for bushfire mitigation plans—major electricity companies

(1) For the purposes of section 113A(2)(b) of the Act, the following are the prescribed particulars—

- (a) the name, address and telephone number of the major electricity company;
- (b) the position, address and telephone number of the person who was responsible for the preparation of the plan;
- (c) the position, address and telephone number of the persons who are responsible for carrying out the plan;
- (d) the telephone number of the major electricity company's control room so that persons in the room can be contacted in an emergency that requires action by the major electricity company to mitigate the danger of bushfire;
- (da) the telephone number of the major electricity company that members of the public can call in an emergency that requires action by the major electricity company to mitigate the danger of bushfire;
- (e) the bushfire mitigation policy of the major electricity company to minimise the risk of fire ignition from its supply network;
- (f) the objectives of the plan to achieve the mitigation of fire danger arising from the major electricity company's supply network;
- (g) a description, map or plan of the land to which the bushfire mitigation plan applies;

Reg. 7(1)(da)
inserted by
S.R. No.
68/2015 reg. 5.

Reg. 7(1)(ha)
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016
reg. 6(1).

(h) the preventative strategies and programs to be adopted by the major electricity company to minimise the risk of the major electricity company's supply networks starting fires;

(ha) details of the preventative strategies and programs referred to in paragraph (h) (including details in relation to timing and location) by which the major electricity company will ensure that—

(i) in its supply network, each polyphase electric line originating from a selected zone substation has the required capacity; and

(ii) on and from 1 May 2023, in its supply network, each polyphase electric line originating from every zone substation specified in Schedule 2 has the required capacity;

Reg. 7(1)(hb)
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016
reg. 6(1).

(hb) details of testing that will be undertaken before the specified bushfire risk period each year by which the major electricity company will ensure that its supply network can operate to meet the required capacity in relation to each polyphase electric line in accordance with paragraph (ha);

Reg. 7(1)(hc)
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016
reg. 6(1).

(hc) details of the preventative strategies and programs referred to in paragraph (h) (including details in relation to timing and location) by which the major electricity company will ensure that, on and from 1 May 2016, within an electric line construction area, each electric line with a nominal voltage of between 1 kV and 22 kV that is constructed, or is wholly or substantially replaced, in its supply network is a covered or underground electric line;

- (hd) details of the processes and procedures by which the major electricity company will ensure that, before 1 May 2023, the major electricity company has installed an Automatic Circuit Recloser in relation to each SWER line in its supply network;
- (i) a plan for inspection that ensures that—
 - (i) the parts of the major electricity company's supply network in hazardous bushfire risk areas are inspected at intervals not exceeding 37 months from the date of the previous inspection; and
 - (ii) the parts of the major electricity company's supply network in other areas are inspected at specified intervals not exceeding 61 months from the date of the previous inspection;
- (j) details of the processes and procedures for ensuring that each person who is assigned to carry out inspections referred to in paragraph (i) and of private electric lines has satisfactorily completed a training course approved by Energy Safe Victoria and is competent to carry out such inspections;
- (k) details of the processes and procedures for ensuring that persons (other than persons referred to in paragraph (j)) who carry out or will carry out functions under the plan are competent to do so;
- (l) the operation and maintenance plans for the major electricity company's supply network—
 - (i) in the event of a fire; and
 - (ii) during a total fire ban day; and
 - (iii) during a fire danger period;

Reg. 7(1)(hd)
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016
reg. 6(1).

- (m) the investigations, analysis and methodology to be adopted by the major electricity company for the mitigation of the risk of fire ignition from its supply network;
- (n) details of the processes and procedures by which the major electricity company will—
 - (i) monitor the implementation of the bushfire mitigation plan; and
 - (ii) audit the implementation of the plan; and
 - (iii) identify any deficiencies in the plan or the plan's implementation; and
 - (iv) change the plan and the plan's implementation to rectify any deficiencies identified under subparagraph (iii); and
 - (v) monitor the effectiveness of inspections carried out under the plan; and
 - (vi) audit the effectiveness of inspections carried out under the plan; and
 - (vii) before the specified bushfire risk period each year, report to Energy Safe Victoria the results of testing undertaken in that year in accordance with regulation 7(1)(hb);
- (o) the policy of the major electricity company in relation to the assistance to be provided to fire control authorities in the investigation of fires near the major electricity company's supply network;

Reg. 7(1)(n)(vi)
amended by
S.R. No.
32/2016
reg. 6(2).

Reg.
7(1)(n)(vii)
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016
reg. 6(3).

- (p) details of processes and procedures for enhancing public awareness of—
 - (i) the responsibilities of owners of private electric lines that are above the surface of the land in relation to maintenance and mitigation of bushfire danger;
 - (ii) the obligation of the major electricity company to inspect private electric lines that are above the surface of the land within its distribution area;
- (q) a description of the measures to be used to assess the performance of the major electricity company under the plan.
- (2) In subregulation (1)(i) *supply network* does not include a terminal station, a zone substation or any part of the major electricity company's underground supply network that is below the surface of the land.
- (3) For the purposes of subregulation (1)(ha)(i)—
 - (a) the major electricity company must select a sufficient number of zone substations so that—
 - (i) at 1 May 2019, the points set out in column 6 of the Table in Schedule 2 in relation to each zone substation selected, when totalled, are not less than 30; and
 - (ii) at 1 May 2021, the points set out in column 6 of the Table in Schedule 2 in relation to each zone substation selected, when totalled, are not less than 55; or
 - (b) if there are an insufficient number of zone substations (specified in Schedule 2) in a major electricity company's supply network

Reg. 7(3)
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016
reg. 6(4).

for the major electricity company to comply with paragraph (a)(i) or (ii), the major electricity company must ensure that each polyphase electric line originating from every zone substation that is specified in Schedule 2 and is in its supply network has the required capacity.

Reg. 7A
inserted by
S.R. No.
68/2015 reg. 6.

7A Prescribed information about bushfire mitigation plans to be made publicly available by major electricity companies

For the purposes of section 113A(3) of the Act, the following information specified in a major electricity company's accepted bushfire mitigation plan is the prescribed information about the plan—

- (a) the name, address and telephone number of the major electricity company;
- (b) the telephone number that members of the public can call in an emergency that requires action by the company to mitigate the danger of bushfire;
- (c) the company's bushfire mitigation policy;
- (d) the objectives to achieve mitigation of fire danger arising from the company's supply network;
- (e) the description, map or plan of the land to which the plan applies;
- (f) the company's preventative strategies and programs to minimise the risk of the company's supply networks starting fires;
- (fa) the company's plan for testing to ensure that its supply network can operate to meet the required capacity in relation to each polyphase electric line originating from a zone substation specified in Schedule 2;

Reg. 7A(fa)
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016 reg. 7.

- (fb) the details of the processes and procedures for installing an Automatic Circuit Recloser in relation to each SWER line in its supply network;
- (g) the company's plan for inspection of its supply network;
- (h) the details of the processes and procedures for ensuring that each person who is assigned to carry out inspections under the plan referred to in paragraph (g) and of private electric lines has satisfactorily completed a training course approved by Energy Safe Victoria and is competent to carry out such inspections;
- (i) the details of the processes and procedures for ensuring that persons (other than persons referred to in paragraph (h)) who carry out or will carry out functions under the plan are competent to do so;
- (j) the company's operation and maintenance plans for its supply network in the event of a fire, during a total fire ban day and during a fire danger period;
- (k) the investigations, analysis and methodology adopted by the company for the mitigation of the risk of fire ignition from its supply network;
- (l) the company's policy in relation to the assistance to be provided to fire control authorities in the investigation of fires near the company's supply network;

Reg. 7A(fb)
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016 reg. 7.

- (m) the details of the processes and procedures for enhancing public awareness of—
 - (i) the responsibilities of owners of private electric lines that are above the surface of the land in relation to maintenance and mitigation of bushfire danger; and
 - (ii) the obligation of the major electricity company to inspect private electric lines that are above the surface of the land within its distribution area.

8 Prescribed parts of electric lines excluded

For the purposes of section 113F(1) of the Act, the prescribed part of a private electric line is the part of the private electric line that is installed after the point at which the line is connected to a building or other structure (not including a pole) on the land.

9 Prescribed times of inspection

For the purposes of section 113F(1) of the Act, the prescribed times to cause an inspection of private electric lines to be carried out are—

- (a) for private electric lines located in hazardous bushfire risk areas, no later than 37 months after the date of the previous inspection carried out by the major electricity company;
- (b) for private electric lines located in other areas, no later than 61 months after the date of the previous inspection carried out by the major electricity company.

10 Prescribed standards of inspection

- (1) For the purposes of section 113F(1) of the Act, the prescribed standards for the inspection of a private electric line are—

- (a) insulators and any stay wires are serviceable and are properly secured to the pole or cross-arm; and
- (b) cross-arms are serviceable; and
- (c) the conductors and metal ties that secure the conductors to the insulator are serviceable; and
- (d) in the case of a line that is horizontally constructed with bare open wire conductors, that a low voltage conductor spreader is fitted to each span of the line; and

Reg. 10(1)(d)
substituted by
S.R. No.
68/2015
reg. 7(1).

Note

Regulation 220(2)(a) of the Electricity Safety (Installations) Regulations 2009 provides for the fitting of a spreader to each span of a private aerial line that is horizontally constructed with bare open wire conductors.

- (e) insulation is in serviceable condition; and
- (f) poles must not lean more than 10 degrees from the vertical; and
- (g) in the case of wooden poles other than treated pine poles—
 - (i) the girth of the pole is greater than 550 mm at any point within 200 mm above the ground; and
 - (ii) the pole is free from termites to a depth of 300 mm below the surface of the ground; and
 - (iii) an annulus of at least 50 mm of the wood is free of decay; and
 - (iv) no fruiting fungal bodies are observed; and

- (h) in the case of treated pine poles—
 - (i) the girth of the pole is greater than 450 mm at any point within 200 mm above the ground; and
 - (ii) the pole is free from termites to a depth of 300 mm below the surface of the ground; and
 - (iii) the wood is free from external decay; and
- (i) in the case of tubular and solid steel poles, the thickness of the metal of the pole in any corroded area below the ground is at least 75% of the sound metal above the ground; and
- (j) in the case of concrete poles, the pole—
 - (i) is free of concrete decay; and
 - (ii) does not have exposed metal reinforcement; and
- (k) the line complies with clause 3 of the Code; and

Reg. 10(1)(k)
amended by
S.R. No.
67/2015
reg. 17(1).

Note to
reg. 10(1)(k)
substituted by
S.R. No.
67/2015
reg. 17(2).

Note

The Code is prescribed as the Code of Practice for Electric Line Clearance in the Schedules to the Electricity Safety (Electric Line Clearance) Regulations 2015.

- (l) if during an inspection a hazard tree is identified, the hazard tree is notified to the responsible person; and

Note to
reg. 10(1)(l)
substituted by
S.R. No.
67/2015
reg. 17(3).

Note

If a hazard tree is identified, the responsible person may cut or remove the tree under clause 8 of the Code.

(m) the line complies with the minimum clearance requirements set out in Table 3.8 of the Australian/New Zealand Wiring Rules.

(2) In this regulation—

bare open wire has the same meaning as in the Electricity Safety (Installations) Regulations 2009;

conductor spreader has the same meaning as in the Electricity Safety (Installations) Regulations 2009;

hazard tree means a tree referred to in clause 8 of the Code;

horizontally constructed has the same meaning as in the Electricity Safety (Installations) Regulations 2009.

Reg. 10(2)
amended by
S.R. No.
67/2015
reg. 17(4),
substituted by
S.R. No.
68/2015
reg. 7(2).

11 Prescribed period in which notice of inspection is to be given

For the purposes of section 113F(2) of the Act, the prescribed period within which notice to the occupier of the land is to be given before inspection of a private electric line is carried out is the period that is not more than 45 days before the inspection and not less than 21 days before the inspection.

12 Prescribed form of notice to be given before inspection

For the purposes of section 113F(2) of the Act, the prescribed form of notice to be given to the occupier of the land before inspection of a private electric line is set out in Schedule 1.

Reg. 12
amended by
S.R. No.
32/2016 reg. 8.

13 Exemptions

- (1) Energy Safe Victoria may, in writing, exempt a specified operator or major electricity company from any of the requirements of these Regulations.
- (2) An exemption under subregulation (1) may specify conditions to which the exemption is subject.

Schedule 1—Notice of inspection

Regulation 12

Sch.
(Heading)
substituted as
Sch. 1
(Heading)
by S.R. No.
32/2016 reg. 9.

To the Occupier,

In accordance with section 113F(2) of the **Electricity Safety Act 1998**, please be advised that on or about [*insert date*] our asset inspector will inspect all private electric lines above the surface of land on the property you occupy, except for those parts of the lines that are installed after the point at which they are connected to a building or other structure (not including a pole).

The inspection may reveal that defects exist and maintenance is required on a private electric line on the property that you occupy. If this is the case, we will give the owner written notice of the maintenance work required to be carried out.

Please contact [*insert name of responsible person*] on [*insert telephone number*] if you have any queries.

Signed

[*insert name of major electricity company*]

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Schedule 2—Zone substations

Sch. 2
inserted by
S.R. No.
32/2016
reg. 10.

Schedule 2—Zone substations

Regulations 7(1)(ha) and (3) and 7A(fa)

<i>Column 1</i> <i>Item</i>	<i>Column 2</i> <i>Name</i>	<i>Column 3</i> <i>Code</i>	<i>Column 4</i> <i>Latitude</i>	<i>Column 5</i> <i>Longitude</i>	<i>Column 6</i> <i>Points</i>
1	Winchelsea	WIN	-38.23644	144.00102	5
2	Colac	CLC	-38.34092	143.60619	5
3	Eaglehawk	EHK	-36.71772	144.25089	5
4	Woori Yallock	WYK	-37.77634	145.52933	5
5	Maryborough	MRO	-37.04909	143.73727	5
6	Seymour	SMR	-37.02548	145.14068	5
7	Ballarat South	BAS	-37.59450	143.79908	5
8	Bendigo TS	BET	-36.78289	144.25296	5
9	Wangaratta	WN	-36.35744	146.31022	5
10	Castlemaine	CMN	-37.07182	144.20637	4
11	Camperdown	CDN	-38.22599	143.15655	4
12	Woodend	WND	-37.33385	144.51729	4
13	Kinglake	KLK	-37.51440	145.31615	4
14	Rubicon A	ALA, MVE	-37.29287	145.81850	4
15	Bairnsdale	BDL	-37.82537	147.61261	4
16	Geelong	GL	-38.13477	144.33741	4
17	Ballarat	BAN	-37.50088	143.85096	4
18	Waurin Ponds	WPD	-38.21082	144.30380	4
19	Lilydale	LDL	-37.76339	145.35840	3
20	Wodonga and Tallangatta	WOTS	-36.15439	146.94682	3
21	Myrtleford	MYT	-36.55745	146.72525	3
22	Barnawartha	BWA	-36.10556	146.67345	3
23	Kilmore South	KMS	-37.31798	144.97174	3

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Schedule 2—Zone substations

<i>Column 1</i> <i>Item</i>	<i>Column 2</i> <i>Name</i>	<i>Column 3</i> <i>Code</i>	<i>Column 4</i> <i>Latitude</i>	<i>Column 5</i> <i>Longitude</i>	<i>Column 6</i> <i>Points</i>
24	Kalkallo	KLO	-37.53833	144.94140	3
25	Gisborne	GSB	-37.45352	144.57625	3
26	Belgrave	BGE	-37.93056	145.36096	3
27	Moe	MOE	-38.18424	146.25908	3
28	Mansfield	MSD	-37.05458	146.08802	2
29	Ferntree Gully	FGY	-37.89304	145.29167	2
30	Eltham	ELM	-37.71675	145.13881	2
31	Ringwood North	RWN	-37.79260	145.23449	2
32	Charlton	CTN	-36.26562	143.35478	2
33	Benalla	BN	-36.55160	145.98000	2
34	Koroit	KRT	-38.31541	142.43245	2
35	Hamilton	HTN	-37.73876	142.02283	2
36	Terang	TRG	-38.23860	142.91531	2
37	Merbein	MBN	-34.16805	142.05807	1
38	Stawell	STL	-37.05833	142.77839	1
39	Bendigo	BGO	-36.76102	144.27897	1
40	Ararat	ART	-37.28308	142.93030	1
41	Coolaroo	COO	-37.64207	144.93391	1
42	Corio	CRO	-38.07445	144.35898	1
43	Lang Lang	LLG	-38.26605	145.56266	1
44	Wonthaggi	WGI	-38.60885	145.58860	1
45	Sale	SLE	-38.10364	147.06972	1

Endnotes

1 General information

See www.legislation.vic.gov.au for Victorian Bills, Acts and current authorised versions of legislation and up-to-date legislative information.

The Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Regulations 2013, S.R. No. 62/2013 were made on 18 June 2013 by the Governor in Council under sections 151, 151A and 157 of the **Electricity Safety Act 1998**, No. 25/1998 and came into operation on 20 June 2013: regulation 3.

The Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Regulations 2013 will sunset 10 years after the day of making on 18 June 2023 (see section 5 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994**).

INTERPRETATION OF LEGISLATION ACT 1984 (ILA)

Style changes

Section 54A of the ILA authorises the making of the style changes set out in Schedule 1 to that Act.

References to ILA s. 39B

Sidenotes which cite ILA s. 39B refer to section 39B of the ILA which provides that where an undivided regulation, rule or clause of a Schedule is amended by the insertion of one or more subregulations, subrules or subclauses the original regulation, rule or clause becomes subregulation, subrule or subclause (1) and is amended by the insertion of the expression "(1)" at the beginning of the original regulation, rule or clause.

Interpretation

As from 1 January 2001, amendments to section 36 of the ILA have the following effects:

- **Headings**

All headings included in a Statutory Rule which is made on or after 1 January 2001 form part of that Statutory Rule. Any heading inserted in a Statutory Rule which was made before 1 January 2001, by a Statutory Rule made on or after 1 January 2001, forms part of that Statutory Rule. This includes headings to Parts, Divisions or Subdivisions in a Schedule; Orders; Parts into which an Order is divided; clauses; regulations; rules; items; tables; columns; examples; diagrams; notes or forms. See section 36(1A)(2A)(2B).

- **Examples, diagrams or notes**

All examples, diagrams or notes included in a Statutory Rule which is made on or after 1 January 2001 form part of that Statutory Rule. Any examples, diagrams or notes inserted in a Statutory Rule which was made before 1 January 2001, by a Statutory Rule made on or after 1 January 2001, form part of that Statutory Rule. See section 36(3A).

- **Punctuation**

All punctuation included in a Statutory Rule which is made on or after 1 January 2001 forms part of that Statutory Rule. Any punctuation inserted in a Statutory Rule which was made before 1 January 2001, by a Statutory Rule made on or after 1 January 2001, forms part of that Statutory Rule. See section 36(3B).

- **Provision numbers**

All provision numbers included in a Statutory Rule form part of that Statutory Rule, whether inserted in the Statutory Rule before, on or after 1 January 2001. Provision numbers include regulation numbers, rule numbers, subregulation numbers, subrule numbers, paragraphs and subparagraphs. See section 36(3C).

- **Location of "legislative items"**

A "legislative item" is a penalty, an example or a note. As from 13 October 2004, a legislative item relating to a provision of a Statutory Rule is taken to be at the foot of that provision even if it is preceded or followed by another legislative item that relates to that provision. For example, if a penalty at the foot of a provision is followed by a note, both of these legislative items will be regarded as being at the foot of that provision. See section 36B.

- **Other material**

Any explanatory memorandum, table of provisions, endnotes, index and other material printed after the Endnotes does not form part of a Statutory Rule. See section 36(3)(3D)(3E).

Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Regulations 2013
S.R. No. 62/2013
Endnotes

2 Table of Amendments

This publication incorporates amendments made to the Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Regulations 2013 by statutory rules, subordinate instruments and Acts.

Electricity Safety (Electric Line Clearance) Regulations 2015, S.R. No. 67/2015

Date of Making: 23.6.15

Date of Commencement: Reg. 17 on 28.6.15: reg. 3

Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Amendment Regulations 2015,
S.R. No. 68/2015

Date of Making: 23.6.15

Date of Commencement: Regs 5–7 on 29.6.15: reg. 3

Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Amendment Regulations 2016,
S.R. No. 32/2016

Date of Making: 26.4.16

Date of Commencement: 1.5.16: reg. 3

3 Amendments Not in Operation

There are no amendments which were Not in Operation at the date of this publication.

4 Explanatory details

¹ Reg. 4(a): S.R. No. 72/2003 as amended by S.R. Nos 111/2010, 110/2011 and 51/2012.

² Reg. 4(b): S.R. No. 110/2011.

³ Reg. 4(c): S.R. No. 51/2012.

Table of Applied, Adopted or Incorporated Matter

The following table of applied, adopted or incorporated matter is included in accordance with the requirements of regulation 5 of the Subordinate Legislation Regulations 2004.

Statutory rule provision	Title of applied, adopted or incorporated document	Matter in applied, adopted or incorporated document
Regulation 5 definition of <i>Australian/New Zealand Wiring Rules</i>	Australian/New Zealand Standard, 'Electrical installations', AS/NZS 3000:2007, published 12 November 2007 by Standards Australia.	The whole
Regulation 10(1)(m)	Australian/New Zealand Standard, 'Electrical installations', AS/NZS 3000:2007, published 12 November 2007 by Standards Australia.	Table 3.8