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Gas Standards Act 1972

## **Gas Standards (Gasfitting and Consumer Gas Installations) Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2000**

Made by the Governor in Executive Council.

### **1. Citation**

These regulations may be cited as the *Gas Standards (Gasfitting and Consumer Gas Installations) Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2000*.

### **2. Commencement**

These regulations come into operation on the day on which they are published in the *Gazette*.

### **3. The regulations amended**

The amendments in these regulations are to the *Gas Standards (Gasfitting and Consumer Gas Installations) Regulations 1999\**.

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For amendments to 6 November 2000, see Gazette  
2 May 2000.]

### **4. Regulation 3 amended**

Regulation 3(1) is amended in the definition of “notice of completion” by deleting “regulation (3)” and inserting instead —

“ regulation 28(3) ”.

### **5. Regulation 18 replaced**

Regulation 18 is repealed and the following regulation inserted instead —

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#### **18. Performance of gasfitting work**

- (1) A gas fitter who does gasfitting work on a gas installation must ensure that the work is done in a safe manner.

- (2) The gas fitter must ensure that —
- (a) every part of the gas installation on which the work was done or that is affected by the work —
    - (i) complies with the requirements referred to in regulation 32; and
    - (ii) is safe to use;  
and
  - (b) the work is completed to a trade finish.
- (3) Subregulation (2) does not require the gas fitter to make an assessment about —
- (a) whether the design of an appliance complies with the requirements referred to in regulation 32; or
  - (b) the efficacy of the design of an appliance.
- ”.

## **6. Regulation 20 amended**

After regulation 20(4) the following subregulation is inserted —

- “
- (4a) A gas fitter must not modify in any way an appliance that has been installed unless the modification has been specifically approved for the individual appliance by the Director or an inspector.
- ”.

## **7. Regulation 22 replaced**

Regulation 22 is repealed and the following regulations are inserted instead —

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### **22. Leaving Type B appliances permanently connected**

- (1) A gas fitter must not leave a Type B appliance permanently connected in a consumer's gas installation unless an inspector has issued a certificate of compliance for the appliance under regulation 22A.
- (2) For the purposes of subregulation (1), an appliance is not to be regarded as permanently connected if it is connected for a period approved in writing by an inspector pending inspection of the appliance by that inspector.
- (3) For the purposes of subregulation (2), an inspector may approve a period of no more than —
  - (a) 28 days; or
  - (b) if in a particular case a longer period is required and the inspector gives written notice to the Director of the approval — 90 days.

- (4) The Director may, in a particular case, extend a period approved under subregulation (3)(a) or (b).

**22A. Inspection of Type B appliances and issue of certificate of compliance**

- (1) An inspector may issue a certificate of compliance for a Type B appliance if the inspector has inspected the appliance and ascertained, so far as is practicable, that it complies with the requirements referred to in regulation 32.
- (2) The certificate of compliance is issued by —
- (a) giving the certificate in an approved form to the Director;
  - (b) giving copies of the certificate to the relevant persons under subregulation (4) or (5); and
  - (c) attaching an approved badge or label to the appliance in a conspicuous position.
- (3) The appliance may be inspected —
- (a) at the place where the appliance is installed and commissioned; or
  - (b) if the Director so approves, at any other place.
- (4) If the inspection is carried out at the place where the appliance is installed and commissioned, a copy of the certificate of compliance is to be given to each of the following persons —
- (a) the gas fitter who commissioned the appliance;
  - (b) the consumer for whom the appliance was installed and commissioned;
  - (c) the gas supplier.
- (5) If the inspection is carried out at any other place under subregulation (3)(b), 3 copies of the certificate of compliance are to be given to the manufacturer.
- (6) When the manufacturer of the appliance receives 3 copies of a certificate of compliance under subregulation (5) and the appliance is subsequently installed and commissioned in a consumer's gas installation, the manufacturer must give a copy of the certificate to each of the following persons —
- (a) the gas fitter who commissioned the appliance;
  - (b) the consumer for whom the appliance was installed and commissioned;
  - (c) the gas supplier.

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**8. Regulation 28 amended**

Regulation 28(3) and (4) are repealed and the following subregulations are inserted instead —

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- (3) The registered gas fitter must give a notice of completion of the gasfitting work in accordance with this regulation.
- (3a) The notice of completion must be given within 48 hours of the completion of the gasfitting work to each of the following —
  - (a) if the work was done on a mobile gas installation, or the gas supplier cannot be identified — the Director;
  - (b) if the gas supplier can be identified and the work was not done on a mobile gas installation — the gas supplier;
  - (c) the person for whom the gasfitting work was done,
- or as the Director otherwise approves in a particular case or class of case.
- (4) In the notice of completion, the registered gas fitter must certify that he or she has complied with the requirements in regulation 18(2).

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**9. Regulation 33 amended**

Regulation 33(3) is amended by deleting “AG 601 — 1998” and inserting instead —

“ AS 5061/AG 601 — 2000 ”.

**10. Regulation 35 amended**

Regulation 35(1) is amended by inserting after “consumer’s gas installation” —

“ that only includes a Type A appliance and ”.

[Note: The heading to regulation 35 will be altered by adding at the end “**(Type A appliances only)**”.]

**11. Regulations 35A and 35B inserted**

After regulation 35 the following regulations are inserted —

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**35A. Supplying gas to a newly installed consumer’s gas installation (no Type A appliances)**

- (1) If gasfitting work is done on a consumer’s gas installation that includes a Type B appliance and that is

not supplied with gas, a gas supplier must not supply gas to the installation unless the gas supplier —

- (a) has received the notice or all notices of completion of the work; and
- (b) is satisfied that each appliance in the gas installation complies with clause 501 of Schedule 6.

- (2) To avoid doubt, the gas supplier is not prevented by this regulation from imposing other requirements consistent with the Act and these regulations before it supplies gas.

**35B. Supplying gas to a Type B appliance installed in an existing gas installation**

- (1) If —

- (a) a Type B appliance is installed in a gas installation that is supplied with gas; or
- (b) a Type B appliance, that is installed in a gas installation that is supplied with gas, is modified after a certificate of compliance in relation to the appliance has been issued under regulation 22A,

a person must not cause gas to be supplied to the appliance unless the person is satisfied that the gas supplier has given permission, under subregulation (2), to the gas fitter who is going to conduct the testing and commissioning (or re-commissioning) of the appliance.

- (2) The gas supplier may only give permission for gas to be supplied to the appliance if the gas supplier —

- (a) has received the notice or all notices of completion of the work to install or modify the appliance;
- (b) if subregulation (1)(a) applies — is satisfied that each appliance in the gas installation complies with clause 501 of Schedule 6; and
- (c) if subregulation (1)(b) applies — has received a copy of the approval of the modification under regulation 20.

- (3) To avoid doubt, the gas supplier is not prevented by this regulation from imposing other requirements consistent with the Act and these regulations before it permits the supply of gas.

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**12. Regulation 36 amended**

- (1) Regulation 36(1) is amended by deleting “22” and inserting instead —

“ 22A ”.

(2) After regulation 36(1) the following subregulation is inserted —

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- (1a) The consumer for whom a Type B appliance is modified, after a certificate of compliance in relation to the appliance has been issued under regulation 22A, must ensure that the appliance is not used until an inspector has issued another certificate of compliance in relation to the appliance under that regulation.

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### **13. Regulation 42A inserted**

After regulation 42 the following regulation is inserted —

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#### **42A. Defects to be reported**

- (1) If a gas fitter, in the course of work as a gas fitter, becomes aware of a defect that the gas fitter considers renders the gas installation, or a part of it, unsafe to use, the gas fitter must immediately notify the following of the existence and nature of the defect —

- (a) the consumer for whom the gasfitting work was done;
- (b) the gas supplier or (if the gas installation is a mobile engine, is on or in a caravan or marine craft or the relevant gas supplier is not identifiable) the Director.

- (2) Subregulation (1) does not apply —

- (a) to a gas fitter who believes, on reasonable grounds, that the defect has already been notified in accordance with subregulation (1); or
- (b) to a supervised gas fitter who notifies the defect to the supervising gas fitter.

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### **14. Schedule 6 amended**

(1) After clause 501(2) of Schedule 6 the following subclause is inserted —

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- (3) Before a Type B appliance is installed by a gas fitter, the gas fitter must either —

- (a) obtain a copy of the appropriate approval by the Director under paragraph (2)(a) and satisfy himself or herself that the appliance is covered by that approval; or
- (b) determine that the appliance has been individually approved for installation under paragraph (2)(b), by obtaining a copy of the approval.

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- (2) Each clause of Schedule 6 specified in the Table to this regulation is amended or repealed as set out in the Table.

**Table**

<b>Clause</b>	<b>Amendment</b>
Clause 201	Delete “AG 601 — 1998”, insert instead “AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000”
Clause 301(2)	Delete “clause 6.3.1 of AG 601 — 1998”, insert instead “clause J2.1 of AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000”
Clause 303(1)	Delete “pressure relief valve outlet of a cylinder or tank”, insert instead “discharge point of the cylinder or tank safety valve”
Clause 303(3)	Delete “in place of clause 6.4 of AG 601 — 1998”, insert instead “in addition to clause J4 of AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000”
Clause 401(1)	Delete “AG 601 — 1998”, insert instead “AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000”
Clause 401(2)	Delete “AS 4041 — 1992”, insert instead “AS 4041 — 1998”
Clause 402(1)	After “PVC”, insert “or PE”
Clause 402(2)	Delete “AG 601 — 1998”, insert instead “AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000”
Clause 403	Repeal the clause
Clause 404(2)(a) and (b)	Delete “AG 601 — 1998”, insert instead “AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000”
Clause 406(3)	Delete “AG 601 — 1998”, insert instead “AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000”
Clause 506(1), (2), (4), (5), (6) and (7)	Repeal the subclauses
Clause 506(8)	Delete “clause 5.13 and”
Clauses 507(2), 601(5), 602(4)	Delete “AG 601 — 1998”, insert instead “AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000”
Clause 603(1)	Delete “carbon dioxide sensing device”, insert instead “oxygen depletion sensing system”
Clauses 603(4), 604(2)	Delete “AG 601 — 1998”, insert instead “AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000”
Clause 701(2)	Delete “clause 6.6 of AG 601 — 1998”, insert instead “clause 6.2 of AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000”

<b>Clause</b>	<b>Amendment</b>
Clause 702	Before “If a gas cylinder” insert the subclause designation “(1)”  Insert at the end —  “(2) This clause applies in addition to Appendix L of AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000.”
Clause 705(1)	Delete “clause 6.6.8.3 of AG 601 — 1998”, insert instead “clause 6.2.8.3 of AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000”
Clause 801(2)	Delete “clause 6.7 and Appendix K of AG 601 — 1998”, insert instead “clause 6.1 and Appendix K of AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000”
Clause 803(1)	Delete “clause 6.7.3.3 of AG 601 — 1998”, insert instead “clause 6.3.3.3 of AS 5601/AG 601 — 2000”

## 15. Schedule 7 amended

The first 2 items of Schedule 7 are deleted and the following items are inserted instead —

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Gas Installations Code	AG 601 — 2000
	AS 5601 — 2000
Code for industrial and commercial gas-fired appliances	AG 501 — 2000
	AS 3814 — 2000

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## 16. Transitional

During the period of 6 months immediately following the commencement of these regulations —

- (a) a person who is required to comply with Schedule 6 or 7 of the *Gas Standards (Gasfitting and Consumer Gas Installations) Regulations 1999* may comply with the Schedule as if regulations 14(2) and 15 had not commenced; and
- (b) the person does not breach any law, contract or other requirement merely because the person complied in that way.

By Command of the Governor,

M. C. WAUCHOPE, Clerk of the Executive Council.