

CURRENT ORDERS AND DECLARATIONS UNDER THE *ELECTRICITY SAFETY ACT 1998* (ESA)

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28/4/1999	G17, 29/4/1999, pp. 1003 to 1004	67	Order	Declaration of certain classes of electrical appliances as proclaimed equipment	Declares the following equipment to be proclaimed electrical equipment. From 3 May 1999 – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rotary clothes dryers ▪ Clothes washing machines ▪ Refrigerating appliances ▪ Dishwashers ▪ Room airconditioners, and From 1 October 1999 - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ storage water heaters.
28/4/1999 (effective from 3/5/99)	G17, 29/4/1999, pp. 999 to 1003	4(1)(a)	Order (Part 1)	Electrical contractors	Sections 30 and 36 of the ESA do not have effect in relation to electrical contractors engaged in certain contracts or undertaking certain kinds of electrical installation work.
				Electrical workers	Sections 36 and 38(a) of the ESA do not have effect in relation to electrical installation workers carrying out certain kinds of electrical installation work.
				Electrical inspectors	Section 38(b) of the ESA does not have effect in relation to electrical inspectors carrying out certain kinds of electrical inspection work or testing of electrical equipment.
		4(1)(b)	Order (Part 2)	Electrical installations	Divisions 1, 2 and 3 of Part 3 of the ESA (except for section 43) do not have effect in relation to certain electrical installations.
				Second hand electrical equipment	Sections 54 and 57(1) of the ESA do not apply to the supply of second hand electrical equipment subject to certain conditions as to the equipment and the person supplying the equipment.
		4(1)(c)	Order (Part 3)	Electrical work	Divisions 1, 2 and 3 of Part 3 of the ESA (except for section 43) do not have effect in relation to certain kinds of electrical installation work.
14/12/99 (effective from 31/12/99)	G50, 16/12/1999, pp. 2728 to 2729	4(1)(a)	Order (Part 1)	Electrical contractors and workers	Subject to conditions, sections 45(1) and 45A of the ESA do not have effect in relation to a person responsible for carrying out of prescribed electrical installation work if the work involves repair/replacement, for the purpose of restoring supply to a customer, of consumer mains, main earthing systems and certain parts of main switchboards.
14/12/99	G50, 16/12/1999, pp. 2728 to 2729	4(1)(b)	Order (Part 2)	Electrical equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Divisions 1, 2 and 3 of Part 3 of the ESA (except for section 43) do not have effect in relation to electrical installations and

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					<p>signalling/control systems in a d.c. traction system.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Subject to a condition, sections 75, 76(2) and 76(3) of the ESA do not have effect in relation to electrical equipment used in railway or tramway systems in conjunction with the operation of mining under licence. ▪ Sections 76, 77 and 84 of the ESA do not have effect in relation to electric lines operated at not more than 50V a.c. or 120V d.c. (ripple free) ▪ Section 84 of the ESA does not have effect in relation to electric lines owned/operated by the telecommunications industry to transmit or distribute telecommunication signals or data. ▪ Section 93 of the ESA does not have effect in relation to cathodic protection systems contained entirely within a metal water tank that are solely for the protection of the tank .
		4(1)(d)	Order (Part 3)	Responsible persons (electric line clearance)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Section 84(4) of the ESA does not have effect in relation to a person responsible for keeping a tree clear of an electric line where a distribution company takes responsibility, with the agreement of the OCEI and of the responsible person. ▪ Section 84(6) of the ESA does not have effect in relation to the Roads Corporation keeping a tree clear of an electric line where a distribution company takes responsibility for keeping the tree clear, with the agreement of the OCEI and of the Roads Corporation.
		4(1)(a)	Amendment of Order dated 28 April 1999 made under section 4	Electrical contractors and electrical workers	Deletes "maintenance of" in clause 5(a)(ii)A of Part 1 of the Order.
5/9/2000	G36, 7/9/2000. pp. 2294 to 2295	4(1)(a)	Order	Electrical contractors	Electrical contractors contracting or undertaking to carry out disconnection or reconnection of a consumers mains or submains neutral to conduct neutral and polarity testing using a Victorian Electricity Supply Industry (VESI) Neutral and Supply Tester are exempt from

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					sections 30 and 36 of the Act.
				Electrical installation workers	Electrical installation workers are exempt from sections 36 and 38(a) of the ESA in relation to disconnecting or reconnecting a consumer's mains or submains neutral for the purpose of conducting neutral and polarity testing using a VESI Neutral and Supply Tester if they are authorised and have completed certain assessments and training.
				Registered electrical contractors and licensed electrical installation workers	Registered electrical contractors or electrical installation workers who are responsible persons under section 4 1A of the ESA responsible for carrying out disconnection or reconnection of consumers mains or submains neutral in order to conduct neutral and polarity testing using a VESI Neutral and Supply tester are exempt from sections 45(1) and 45A.
		4	Amendment of Order dated 28/4/99 made under section 4	Electrical installation work involving certain devices	New clause (d) substituted into Part 3 of the Order.
4/9/2001	G36, 6/9/2001, p. 2287	111(2)	Order	Electricity Safety Management Scheme (ESMS)	Accepts the network operator ESMS submitted by Hazelwood Power.
25/9/2001 (effective from 1/10/01)	G39, 27/9/2001, pp. 2491 to 2492	4	Order	Air conditioners and electric motors – exemption from requirements	Section 68 of the ESA does not have effect in relation to 3-phase air conditioners and heat pumps and 3-phase cage induction motors manufactured in or imported into Australia before 1 October 2001.
25/9/2001	G39, 27/9/2001, p. 2492	67	Part 1 – Order (effective from 1/10/01)	Declaration of airconditioners and electric motors as proclaimed electrical equipment	From 1 October 2001, 3-phase air conditioners and heat pumps and 3-phase cage induction motors are proclaimed electrical equipment for the purpose of section 68 of the ESA.
			Part 2 - Amendment of Order dated 28 April 1999 made under section 67	Amendment of declared definition of proclaimed equipment - airconditioners	Replaces previous airconditioner definition with a new definition of 'single-phase refrigerative air conditioner and heat pump' in clause 5 of Part 1 of the Order.
22/1/2002 (effective from 24/1/02)	G4, 24/1/2002, pp. 127 to 129	47	Order	Electric lines on public land	Exempts categories of persons from compliance with section 46 of the ESA in respect of specified activities on specified land, subject to compliance with various terms and conditions.
16/7/2002	G29, 18/7/2002, p. 1704	111(2)	Order	Electricity Safety Management Scheme (ESMS)	Accepts the employer operator ESMS submitted by Esso Australia Pty Ltd.
22/10/02 (effective	G43, 24/10/2002, p.	4 and also	Amendment of Order made	Electrical installations	Deletes the existing exemption for electrical installations used in mining

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from 29/10/02)	2890	s.27 of the <i>Interpretation of Legislation Act</i>	on 28 April 1999 made under section 4		operations as set out in clause 1(d) of Part 2 of the Order, in line with the commencement of new regulations made under the <i>Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985</i> covering health and safety in mines.
2/4/2003	G15, 10/4/2003, p. 759	111(2)	Order	Electricity Safety Management Scheme (ESMS)	Accepts the network operator ESMS submitted by Loy Yang Power Ltd.
2/4/2003	G15, 10/4/2003, p. 759	111(2)	Order	Electricity Safety Management Scheme (ESMS)	Accepts the network operator ESMS submitted by Edison Mission Operations & Maintenance Loy Yang Pty Ltd.
2/4/2003	G15, 10/4/2003, p. 759	111(2)	Order	Electricity Safety Management Scheme (ESMS)	Accepts the employer operator ESMS submitted by Edison Mission Operations & Maintenance Loy Yang Pty Ltd
24/6/2003	G26, 26/6/2003, p. 1638	111(2)	Order	Electricity Safety Management Scheme (ESMS)	Accepts the employer operator ESMS submitted by BHP Steel Ltd.
24/6/2003	G26, 26/6/2003, p. 1638	111(2)	Order	Electricity Safety Management Scheme (ESMS)	Accepts the employer operator ESMS submitted by PPG Industries Australia Pty Ltd
31/7/2003	G31, 31/7/2003, p. 2135	57(1)	Revocation Declaration (effective from 7/8/03)	Prescribed electrical equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Revokes previous declaration of prescribed electrical equipment as gazetted in G28 on 11/7/02. ▪ Declares that the electrical equipment in E2 of Appendix E of AS/NZS 4417.2:2001 is prescribed electrical equipment as from 7 August 2003.
12/8/03	G33, 14/8/2003, p. 2237	67	Order	Declaration of fluorescent lamp ballasts as proclaimed electrical equipment	From 17 August 2003, fluorescent lamp ballasts are proclaimed electrical equipment for the purpose of section 68 of the ESA.
26/10/04	G44, 28/10/2004, p. 3028	111(2)	Order	Electricity Safety Management Schemes (ESMS)	Separate orders accepting the ESMS submitted by – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGL Electricity Ltd; • Alinta Network Services Pty Ltd; • Citipower Pty; • Powercor Australia Ltd; and • TXU Networks Pty Ltd.
14/12/04 (effective from 16/12/04)	G51, 16/12/2004, pp. 3412 to 3415	4 and section 27 of the <i>Interpretation of Legislation Act 1984</i>	Amendment of the Order made on 28 April 1999 made under section 4	Electrical contractors and electrical workers	Inserts new clauses 8 and 9 in Part 1 of the Order providing that sections 30 and 36 of the ESA (in relation to electrical contractors) and 36 and 38(a) (in relation to electrical installation workers) do not apply to the carrying out of certain electrical installation work on high voltage electrical equipment, subject to compliance with conditions.
21/12/04	G52, 23/12/2004, p. 3529	67	Order	Declaration of certain classes of electrical equipment as proclaimed	From 21 December 2004 – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • distribution transformers; • linear fluorescent lamps; and • refrigerated display cabinets

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				electrical equipment	are proclaimed electrical equipment for the purpose of section 68 of the ESA.
18/1/05	G4, 27/1/2005, p. 170	111(2)	Order	Electricity Safety Management Schemes (ESMS)	Separate orders accepting the ESMS submitted by – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loy Yang Power Management Pty Ltd (Loy Yang Mine); • Alcoa Australia Rolled Products Pty Ltd; • Alcoa of Australia Ltd (network operator); • Alcoa of Australia Ltd (employer operator); and • Mobil Refining Australia Pty Ltd.
13/9/05	G37, 15/9/2005, p. 2092	111(2)	Order	Electricity Safety Management Scheme (ESMS)	Accepts the ESMS submitted by Genos Pty Ltd.
25/10/05	G43, 27/10/2005, p. 2388	67	Order	Repeal of Order and declaration of certain types of water heater as proclaimed electrical equipment	Repeals Part 2 of the section 67 Order made on 28/4/99 and declares: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • unvented displacement water heaters, • vented displacement water heaters, and • heat exchange water heaters to be proclaimed electrical equipment from 27 October 2005.
8/8/06	G32, 10/8/2006, p. 1694	111(2)	Order	Electricity Safety Management Scheme (ESMS)	Accepts the ESMS submitted by Shell Refining (Australia) Pty Ltd.

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17/10/06	G42, 19/10/2006, p. 2273	4(1)(c)	Amendment of Order dated 28 April 1999 as amended by Order published on 7 September 2000 (G36).	Electrical Installation work involving certain devices.	Clause (d) amended and new clause (e) inserted in Part 3 of the Order.

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