

Occupational Health and Safety – Code of Practice for the Transport and Delivery of Cash 2003

Explanatory Statement

Section 87 (1) of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989* (the Act) provides that the Minister may approve a code of practice for providing practical guidance for the Act. Section 87 (2) provides that before approving a proposed code of practice, the Minister must refer the proposed code to the ACT Occupational Health and Safety Council (the Council) for its consideration, and take into account any relevant recommendation made by the Council. At its 71st meeting on 29 May 2003, the Council endorsed the Code of Practice for the Transport and Delivery of Cash (the Code).

The Code has been developed in consultation with the representatives of unions and industry bodies involved with or having an interest in the safe transit and delivery of cash, and with relevant government agencies. The ACT Government Solicitor's Office has endorsed the Code from an administrative law and duty-of-care perspective.

This Code of Practice provides guidance to prevent injury and illness to persons engaged in Cash-In-Transit (C-I-T) operations and work. It also provides practical guidance on implementing the requirements of the Act and associated regulations.

The objectives of this Code of Practice are to:

- promote the health, safety and welfare of people undertaking C-I-T activities;
- provide guidance on the standards of safety for those who undertake C-I-T services;
- ensure that risks to health and safety associated with C-I-T operations are identified, assessed and eliminated or controlled;
- promote consultation and cooperation between the employer, employees, contractors and sub-contractors; and
- protect persons at or near workplaces from risks to health or safety arising out of the activities of employees at work.

The Instrument takes effect the day after it is notified on the ACT Legislation Register.

The approval under section 87 (1) is a disallowable instrument.