



Australian Capital Territory

Electricity Regulations¹ (Amendment)

Subordinate Law No. 4 of 1999²

The Australian Capital Territory Executive makes the following Regulations under the *Electricity Act 1971*.

Dated 6 April 1999.

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Minister

1. Commencement

These Regulations commence on the day on which section 5 of the *Electricity (Amendment) Act 1998* commences.

2. Principal Regulations

In these Regulations, “Principal Regulations” means the *Electricity Regulations*.

3. Interpretation

Regulation 1A of the Principal Regulations is amended by inserting the following definitions:

“ ‘consumer’s overhead line’ means a line that—

- (a) is installed by the Company;
- (b) is owned by a person other than the Company; and
- (c) is over land owned by that person;

‘lineworker’ means a person who supervises or performs—

- (a) work involved in—
 - (i) the erection or maintenance of overhead electric lines; or
 - (ii) the maintenance of street lighting that is connected to overhead or underground electric lines; or
- (b) tests to ensure that overhead electric lines are correctly fitted;

‘service equipment’ means—

- (a) a service line;
- (b) a service cable;
- (c) a point of attachment of a service line or service cable; or
- (d) a point of entry of a service line or service cable;”.

4. Repeal

Regulations 2 to 7 (inclusive) of the Principal Regulations are repealed.

5. Exemption from inspection etc. under section 33

Regulation 7A of the Principal Regulations is amended—

- (a) by omitting paragraphs (1) (b), (c) and (e); and
- (b) by omitting subregulations (2) and (4).

6. Insertion

After regulation 7A of the Principal Regulations the following regulations are inserted:

“7B. Exemption from Australian Standard 3000

For the purposes of paragraph 33A (2) (b) of the Act, paragraph 33 (1) (a) of the Act does not apply where the Chief Executive is satisfied that—

- (a) the electrical wiring work—
 - (i) is commenced before the day on which a revised edition of Australian Standard 3000 is published and is completed after that day; or
 - (ii) is completed before the expiry of the period of 6 months commencing on the day on which a revised edition of Australian Standard 3000 is published; and
- (b) the electrical wiring work complies with Australian Standard 3000 as in effect before the publication of the revised edition.

“7C. Exemption from sections 33A and 33B

“(1) For the purposes of paragraph 33C (a) of the Act, prescribed electrical wiring work is electrical wiring work consisting of the installing of the wiring or a component of an electrical installation for a lift or escalator on the load side of a circuit breaker in the motor room for the lift or escalator.

“(2) For the purposes of paragraph 33C (b) of the Act, prescribed circumstances are—

- (a) where electrical wiring work has been carried out by the Company and consists of—
 - (i) the installation of a consumer’s overhead line or an underground service cable, being a line or cable by which electricity is transmitted; or
 - (ii) the connection or reconnection to, or disconnection from, a main or other plant of the Company, of a main owned by a person other than the Company;
- (b) where electrical wiring work is carried out by the Company on electrical service equipment that is owned or operated by the Company; or

- (c) where electrical wiring work is carried out by the Company on—
 - (i) electrical generating equipment, an electrical transformer, a wire, cable or meter or electrical metering equipment; or
 - (ii) a fitting or support structure related to any equipment or item referred to in subparagraph (i);that is owned or operated by the Company.

“(3) Subregulation (2) does not apply in relation to electrical wiring work unless—

- (a) the work has, in the opinion of the Chief Executive, been completed in accordance with design and construction standards that have been lodged by the Company with the Chief Executive, being standards relating to the avoidance of injury to persons or damage to property; or
- (b) where the work or any part of it has been carried out by a lineworker, the lineworker—
 - (i) has satisfactorily completed a training course leading to the qualification of accredited lineworker, being a course that—
 - (A) is an accredited course within the meaning of the *Vocational Education and Training Act 1995*; or
 - (B) was completed before the commencement of this regulation and is, in the view of the Company, substantially equivalent to a course referred to in sub-subparagraph (A); or
 - (ii) is the holder of a licence under the law of a State or another Territory entitling him or her to work as a lineworker.”.

7. Repeal

The Schedule to the Principal Regulations is repealed.

8. Renumbering

- (1) The amended Regulations are amended as provided by this regulation.
- (2) The regulations of the amended Regulations are renumbered in a single series so that they bear consecutive Arabic numerals.

(3) A reference in a provision of another law of the Territory made before the commencement of this regulation (whether or not that provision has commenced), or in any instrument or document, to a regulation of the amended Regulations that has been renumbered by subregulation (2) shall (except as regards the operation of the regulation before it was so renumbered) be construed as a reference to that regulation as so renumbered.

(4) In this regulation—

“amended Regulations” means the Principal Regulations as amended by regulations 3 to 7 (inclusive) of these Regulations.

NOTES

Principal Regulations

1. Reprinted as at 30 April 1993. See also Subordinate Law No. 1, 1998.

Notification

2. Notified in the ACT Gazette on 14 April 1999.