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New Notices of Compliance

Previously SECWA produced and supplied gasfitters' Notices of Compliance (Regulation 21 of the Gas Standards Regulations). More recently, similar notices have been produced by AlintaGas, Kleenheat Gas and Boral Gas.

The Office of Energy acknowledges the efforts of gas suppliers in maintaining supplies of notices. However, an arrangement whereby there are different notices in circulation and use is not seen to be in the best interests of industry as it will lead to confusion.

As a service to industry, we have produced sets of approved notices (Preliminary and Compliance) which are now to be used as required by the Gas Standards Regulations (21 and 22), in respect of all installations regardless of who the gas supplier is.

New pads of the notices will be available from September 1996 at the Office of Energy, 20 Southport Street, Leederville and gas suppliers' premises. The notices will include compliance labels which are to be left on site by gasfitters to identify their work.

The notices have been designed to be as "user friendly" as possible by clearly differentiating between mobile, fixed and Type A/Type B gas appliance installations.

They are applicable to all gas types and should be used regardless of who the gas supplier is.

Each pad includes clear instructions regarding:

- how notices should be completed;
- to whom they must be given; and
- the use of the compliance labels.

***PROSECUTIONS FOR BREACHES OF THE GAS STANDARDS ACT
1972***

AND THE GAS STANDARDS REGULATIONS 1983

1 July 1995 to 30 June 1996

Breach	Name	Licence Held	Fine & Costs (\$)
<p>Section 13A(2) Gas Standards Act 1972 and Regulation 26(2) Gas Standards Regulations 1983</p> <p><i>Performance of gasfitting work without appropriate authorisation. Used LPG (propane) gas as a source of pressure for the purpose of pressure testing or locating a leak</i></p>	Paul Gowdie	Nil	600.00
<p>Section 13A(2) Gas Standards Act 1972</p> <p><i>Performance of gasfitting work without appropriate authorisation</i></p>	Gregory Hughes	Nil	592.00
<p>Section 13A(10) Gas Standards Act 1972</p> <p><i>Wrongfully represent himself in a Notice of Compliance</i></p>	Gregory Downie	A & B	592.00
<p>Regulation 22(1) Gas Standards Regulations 1983</p> <p><i>Failing to comply with the requirements of Notice of Defects within seven days</i></p>	Andrew Pring Frank Spiccia Graham Reed Leslie Smith	A,B,C & D A & B A,B,C & D A & B	200.00 430.00 330.00 580.00
<p>Regulation 26(2) Gas Standards Regulations 1983</p> <p><i>Use of oxygen to pressurise gasfitting lines to locate a gas leak</i></p>	Jeff Rees	A & B	692.00
<p>Item 502(1&2) Gas Standards Regulations 1983</p> <p><i>Connection of an unapproved appliance and modifications of an appliance without the approval of an authorised Inspector</i></p>	Stephen Taylor	A,B,C & D	130.00

