

Occupational Licensing Act 2005

Occupational Licensing (Eligibility for Nominated Manager for Electrical Contractors restricted to Cable Jointing or Linework) Notification 2009

I, Robert Lindsay Pearce, Administrator of Occupational Licensing, acting pursuant to regulation 14 of the *Occupational Licensing (Electrical Work) Regulations 2008*, notify this day the eligibility requirements and approved courses for nominated managers for electrical contractors who carry out work restricted to cable jointing work or linework.

1. Short title

This notice may be cited as the Occupational Licensing (Eligibility for Nominated Manager for Electrical Contractors restricted to Cable Jointing or Linework) Notification 2008.

2. Commencement

This notice commences on 23 February 2009.

3. Purpose

This notification sets down the eligibility requirements and approved courses for nominated managers for contractors who undertake cable jointing or linework only.

4. Application of Acts Interpretation Act 1931

The *Acts Interpretation Act 1931* applies to this Notification.

5. Interpretation

In this Notice, unless the context otherwise requires -

“**module**” means a specific learning segment that is complete in itself, that deals with one or more aspects of knowledge and skills. A module is separately delivered and assessed and may be linked with other modules in the same study area and aligned to a competency standard unit;

“**training package**” means a set of standards and qualifications for recognising and assessing people’s skills, nationally endorsed (by the National Quality Training Council). Within this Determination, the training packages include the following –

- (a) the Electrotechnology Training Package; or
- (b) the ESI - Transmission, Distribution and Rail Training Package: or
- (c) such further or other training packages equivalent to those set out in sub-paragraphs (a) or (b) as may be approved by the Administrator from time to time.

“**unit of competence**” means a specification of knowledge and skill and their application to a standard of performance specified in a nationally endorsed training package.

6. Competency Requirements

Cable jointing work and linework are specialist areas within electrical work. Persons who perform this work must be trained and competent. Section 22(3) of the *Occupational Licensing Act 2005* states, "A practitioner must ensure that he or she acts only in the area of his or her competence."

7. Eligibility and Approved Course for Cable Jointing or Lineworker Nominated Manager

- (1) This Notification applies to electrical work restricted to cablejointing and linework on electrical infrastructure and installations, whether or not owned or operated by an electricity entity.
- (2) Where electrical work is performed on an electrical installation, the electrical work must be tested, inspected and connected by the holder of a practitioner's licence (Electrician's Licence) employed by an electrical contractor.
- (3) To be eligible to be a nominated manager for a contractor restricted to cable jointing work or linework on infrastructure and installations, a person must -
 - (a) be the holder of a practitioner's licence (Electrical Work Licence - Cablejointer or Linework), in accordance with the Occupational Licensing (Electrical Work) Determination 2008, notified in the *Gazette* on 31 December 2008, and be permitted, by the terms of their licence, to supervise others in the performance of such work; and
 - (b) have completed 12 months' experience as a cable jointer or lineworker -
 - (i) after having obtained the qualifications for the relevant licence as set out in the Occupational Licensing (Electrical Work) Determination 2008; or
 - (ii) after being issued a licence referred to in paragraph (a); and
 - (c) have -
 - (i) in the last three years, been a nominated manager; or
 - (ii) fulfilled, to the satisfaction of the Administrator, the role and duties now required of a nominated manager in the last three years; or
 - (iii) completed -
 - (A) the Electrotechnology Training Package modules EA102 – Establishing an Electrical Contracting Business, and EA103 – Small Electrical Business and the Law; or
 - (B) the Electrotechnology Training Package unit of competence UEENEEG014 – Develop plans and compliance policies to conduct a contracting business; or
 - (C) a course of training approved by the Administrator equivalent to the modules or unit of competence in (A) or (B) above.

Robert L Pearce
Administrator of Occupational Licensing

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