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Amendments to *Plumbing Regulations 2004*

Purpose

This news update is to give notice of the *Gazettal* of the *Plumbing Amendment Regulations 2005* on the 28th December 2005.

Background

The *Radiation Protection Act 2005* and draft Radiation Protection Regulations 2005 have been prepared to enhance Tasmania's legislation to ensure that it is better aligned with national and international regulatory requirements and practices. When adopted, the Act and Regulations will replace the current *Radiation Control Act 1977* and the *Radiation Control Regulations 1994* and amend the *Plumbing Regulations 2004*.

The new legislation will better reflect national and international standards for the use of radiation and radiation safety and provide greater clarity for those people dealing with radiation especially in relation to their responsibilities and obligations.

What are the effects of the changes?

The *Plumbing Amendment Regulations 2005* will amend the *Plumbing Regulations 2004* by replacing references to the *Radiation Control Act 1977* with references to the *Radiation Protection Act 2005* consequent on the proclamation of the latter Act.

When will the changes apply?

Amendment will take effect on the day the *Radiation Protection Act 2005* commences (proclaimed). The Act is yet to be proclaimed.

Where can I obtain the amended *Plumbing Regulations 2004*?

- A consolidated version of the *Plumbing Regulations 2004* incorporating the amendment will be available from the Tasmanian Legislation WebSite at <http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au> or via the 'Legislation' link in the Building Standards and Regulation WebSite at <http://www.wst.tas.gov.au/building>
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