



Notice

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Electricity Compliance Reporting Manual – July 2017

The Economic Regulation Authority (**ERA**) has published an amended version of the Electricity Compliance Reporting Manual (**Electricity Manual**).

- Electricity Manual (clean version)
- Electricity Manual (marked-up version)

Amendments to the Electricity Manual

The updated Electricity Manual incorporates relevant parts of the *Electricity Industry (Network Quality and Reliability of Supply) Amendment Code 2017* (**NQRS Amendment Code**). These updates are contained in section 16 of the Manual. The amendment record sheet at the end of the manual details the amendments made to section 16 of the document.

The NQRS Amendment Code was gazetted on 2 May 2017, and commenced 1 July 2017, following consultation by the Public Utilities Office. The NQRS Amendment Code is available here.

The updated Electricity Manual also includes some minor editorial changes that do not alter existing obligations on licensees.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The ERA has issued this Electricity Manual to inform stakeholders about the licence terms and conditions that apply to each type of electricity licence. The Electricity Manual provides:

- a consolidated guide to the compliance obligations for each type of electricity licence;
- categorisation of licence conditions to assist with compliance reporting;
- a self-assessment framework for licensees to facilitate compliance with licence conditions and to report non-compliances to the ERA; and
- the format and due dates of the reports that licensees must provide to the ERA.

Numbering of Licence Obligations in the Electricity Manual

The ERA's policy for numbering modified licence obligations has been applied to the amended Electricity Manual:

- when a licence obligation is rescinded, the applicable obligation number is not reused and the description of the obligation is changed to "not used"; and
- when new obligations are added to the manual, they are indexed with an additional letter after the number, for example the number 10A will be assigned to a new obligation inserted between obligations 10 and 11.

This allows licensees and auditors to track amendments to legislative obligations over time.

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