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| Updating the electricity and gas safety standards - Have your say |
| Introduction |

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| * 1. **Name (first and last name)**
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| * 2. **Email**
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| * 3. **Is this an individual submission, or is it on behalf of a group or organisation?**

[ ] Individual[ ] On behalf of a group or organisation |
| * 4. **Which group do you most identify with, or are representing?**
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| [ ]  Iwi or hapū[ ]  General public[ ]  Environmental[ ]  Local government[ ]  Research institute / academia[ ]  Industry or industry advocates[ ]  Central government agency[ ]  Other (please specify)  | [ ]  Regulatory body[ ]  Importer[ ]  Exporter[ ]  Electricity industry stakeholder[ ]  Gas industry stakeholder[ ]  Manufacturer / supplier[ ]  Technician[ ]  Training organisation |
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| 5. **Business name or organisation (if applicable)** |
|  6. **Position title (if applicable)** |
|  \* 7. **Important information about your submission (PLEASE READ)**The information provided in submissions will be used to inform the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment’s (MBIE’s) work on the discussion document *Updating references to standards in the electricity and gas safety regulations.*We will upload the submissions we receive and publish them on our website. If your submission contains any sensitive information that you do not want published, please indicate this in your submission.The Privacy Act 1993 applies to submissions. Any personal information you supply to MBIE in the course of making a submission will only be known by the team working on the *Updating references to standards in the electricity and gas safety regulations.*Submissions may be requested under the Official Information Act 1982. Submissions provided in confidence can usually be withheld. MBIE will consult with submitters when responding to requests under the Official Information Act 1982. |
| \*8. **We intend to upload submissions** **to our website at** [**www.mbie.govt.nz**](http://www.mbie.govt.nz/)**. Can we include your submission on the website?**[ ]  Yes[ ]  No |
| * 9. **Can we include your name?**

[ ] Yes[ ] No |
| * 10. **Can we include your organisation (if submitting on behalf of an organisation)?**

[ ] Yes[ ]  No[ ]  Not applicable |
| 11. All other personal information will not be proactively released, although it may need to be released if required under the Official Information Act. **Please indicate any other information you would like withheld.** |
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| Areas you wish to provide feedback on |
| We are interested in your feedback on proposed amendments to the Electricity (Safety) Regulations 2010 and the Gas (Safety and Measurement) Regulations 2010. We want to hear from any person or organisation that is interested in or affected by the Electricity (Safety) Regulations 2010 and the Gas (Safety and Measurement) Regulations 2010. This includes but is not limited to, regulatory bodies, importers, exporters, manufacturers, suppliers, technicians and training organisations. The relevant pages of the discussion document *Updating the references to standards in the electricity and gas regulations* are provided alongside each question.**You are invited to provide feedback and respond to questions in as many, or as few of the sections as you would like, depending on your interests.**Submissions on these proposed amendments to the regulations are sought by **5pm 1 June 2021** |

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### What are the issues? (pages 6-8)

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|  | What other issues should we be considering that may have an impact on the effectiveness and integrity of the electricity and gas regulatory system? |
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### What is our approach to amending the electricity and gas safety regulations? (pages 8-9)

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|  | Do you agree or disagree with the principles that are being applied for determining which referenced standards should be amended, withdrawn or added? |
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| **3** | Have we taken into account all relevant considerations in determining which references to standards should be amended or added? |
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### What are the proposed changes to standards? (pages 9-10)

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| 4 | What difference will updating the standard(s) in the regulation make to you? Please provide as much information as you can about the impacts to your business or industry, positive and negative.* Will the changes make it easier/harder to know when you are compliant?
* Will the changes make it easier/harder to source safe, compliant products?
* Will the changes increase/decrease costs? How much do you think it will change costs?
* Are the benefits greater than the costs? Please tell us why you think so.
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| *{Answer here}* |

### What will implementation look like? (pages 10-11)

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| 5 | Do you agree or disagree with the proposed approach for the transition to the new and amended standards in the electricity and gas safety regulations? Please explain why. |
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| 6 | Do you agree or disagree with the proposal to reference multiple versions of some standards where applicable in the Electricity (Safety) Regulations 2010? |
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### Some of the proposed changes are not straightforward (pages 11-14)

### AS/NZS 3000 – Electrical Installations (Wiring Rules)

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| 7 | Do you agree or disagree with the proposal to reference both AS/NZS 3000:2007, with modifications, and AS/NZS 3000:2018? Please explain why. Any information you can provide on potential impacts, costs and benefits of adoption would be helpful. |
| *{Answer here}* |

**AS/NZS 1677.2 – Refrigerating Systems**

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| 8 | Do you agree or disagree with the proposals regarding refrigerants? Specifically do you agree or disagree with the proposals to add an additional requirement under Regulation 59(3)? If so, why? Any information on potential impacts, costs and benefits of adoption to your business/industry would be helpful. |
| *{Answer here}* |

**AS/NZS 3003 Electrical Installations (Patient Areas)**

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| 9 | Do you agree or disagree with the proposed change to AS/NZS 3003, and the proposed immediate transition? Please explain why. Any information you can provide on potential impacts, costs and benefits of adoption would be helpful. |
| *{Answer here}* |

**IEC 62841 series - Electric motor-operated hand-held tools, transportable tools and lawn and garden machinery**

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| 10 | Do you agree or disagree with any of the proposed IEC 62841 series updates to standards or any of the proposed transition times to recognise the relevant updated standards? Please identify which of these standards is of interest and tell us why you disagree. Please also indicate any suggestions or changes that should be made.  |
| *{Answer here}* |

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| 11 | Have we missed, or incorrectly identified, the latest version of any standards? Which ones did we miss, and why should they be included? |
|  | *{Answer here}* |

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| 12 | If you disagree with our assessment of whether or not a standard will have a minimal impact to adopt, please advise which standard and why its adoption is not straightforward.  |
| *{Answer here}* |

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| 13 | What are the costs and benefits to your business/sector from adopting the latest versions of standards referenced in the electricity and gas safety regulations? |
| *{Answer here}* |

**What new standards in the electricity safety regulations are proposed? (pages 14-16)**

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| 14 | Do you agree or disagree with including any of the proposed new standards in Schedule 4 of the Electricity (Safety) Regulations 2010? Please identify which standard(s) and explain why you agree or disagree and what alternative standard(s) you would propose (if any). |
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| 15 | What is the potential impact (for example, additional costs, risks and benefits) of adopting these new standards? Any information you can provide on costs and benefits of adoption to your business/industry would be helpful. |
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### What changes to references to certifications regimes and conformance assessment bodies in the gas regulations are proposed (pages 16-18)

**Recognising Europe’s new certification regime for gas products**

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| 16 | Do you agree or disagree with amending the gas safety regulations to recognise the Gas Appliance Regulations? If you disagree, please outline why.  |
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| 17 | What impact would this amendment have for you on importing and supplying gas appliances from the European Union, and why?  |
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| 18 | What, if any, transitional provisions are necessary from Government to support these changes? |
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### Recognising the new body certifying gas products in Australia

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| 19 | Do you agree or disagree with recognising BSI Group (AS/NZ) as a conformance body for gas appliances and specified fittings certified under the Australian regime? |
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| 20 | Do you think phased or immediate transition would be more effective to reduce total costs to your industry and/or sector, and why? |
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| 21 | How would this change affect your ability to import gas appliances and fittings from Australia? |
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| 22 | Would this change be likely to result in any additional costs or savings in your industry? |
| *{Answer here}* |

**We propose making some minor changes to the structure of Schedule 4 of the electricity safety regulations (page 19-20)**

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| 23 | Do you agree or disagree with moving the beauty therapy appliances into a separate category in Schedule 4?  |
| *{Answer here}* |

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| 24 | Do you agree or disagree with moving the general medical equipment standards to their own section at the start of the clause for electrical medical devices? |
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| 25 | Will the proposed changes to referenced IEC Standards in Schedule 4 make it easier for people in your business/industry to understand the regulations? Please explain why or why not. |
|  | *{Answer here}* |

### Any other comments? (page 20)

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| 26 | Do you have any other comments you would like to make regarding these proposals? |
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