Working as a Gas-fitter in Tasmania

Information for AMR deemed registrations

Purpose

This info sheet outlines the requirements for interstate gas-fitters wanting to work in Tasmania using Automatic Mutual Recognition (AMR).

For more information on AMR, visit <u>www.cbos.tas.gov.au/AMR</u>.

Am I eligible for AMR?

To be eligible to work as a gas-fitter in Tasmania using AMR, you need:

- A current gas-fitter licence from your home state/territory; and
- If your licence allows you to contract for work, you must be covered by a Public and Products Liability Insurance policy of a minimum of \$5 million.
- A gas-fitter contractor (a sole trader) requires a contractor and practitioner licence from another Australian state or territory.
- You must complete the notification for your practitioner licence before completing the notification for your contractor licence as one must relate to the other in our licensing system.

If you are eligible and want to start working in Tasmania, **you must notify** the Tasmanian Government of your intention to work via <u>Occupational Licensing - Application Start</u> (justice.tas.gov.au).

A number of circumstances may prevent you from using AMR, including:

- If you've been suspended from holding your licence or have had conditions imposed on your licence as a result of disciplinary action in your home state or another state/territory;
- You have been subject to disciplinary, criminal or civil action against you within Australia with respect to your licence;
- You have been refused a licence in another state/territory; or



• You have permanently relocated to Tasmania from another state/territory.

What activities can I perform in Tasmania using AMR?

AMR allows you to perform the same work you are licensed to perform in your home jurisdiction within any other participating jurisdiction.

After notifying the Tasmanian Government of your intention to work in Tasmania and comply with our public protection requirements (including insurance requirements), you can then carry out that same work that you are licensed to perform in your home state within Tasmania.

Example:

James holds a gas-fitter registration in South Australia and wishes to undertake gas-fitting work in Tasmania. James' SA gas-fitting registration allows him to work on gas pipes or equipment but does not allow him to contract for gas-fitting work as he does not hold a contractor's licence. James can only work in Tasmania using AMR if a suitably licensed contractor employs him.

After James notifies the Tasmanian Government of his intention to work in Tasmania and having complied with Tasmania's public protection (insurance) requirements, James may carry out work as a gas-fitter in Tasmania, limited to the same limitations as he has in SA, including that he is employed by a person who holds a contractor licence in Tasmania.

James must also comply with all relevant local law requirements, including the Gas Safety Act 2019 (Tas) and Occupational Licensing Act 2005 (Tas) requirements. These requirements include using all the approved forms, undertaking Continuing Professional Development, and complying with Tasmania's code of conduct.

How do I start using AMR in Tasmania?

To start working in Tasmania using AMR, you must complete a notification. To complete your notification online, <u>Occupational Licensing - Application Start (justice.tas.gov.au)</u>.

As part of completing your notification, you will need to provide a summary of your licence scope of work, proof of your current licence, proof of identity, and evidence of your Public and Products Liability insurance (if required).

Tasmania may contact other regulators concerning your deemed registration.

Once you have completed a notification, your deemed registration will be pending, and your name and other details will appear on our <u>online register of licensees</u>.

You can commence work in Tasmania as soon as you have completed your notification and comply with Tasmania's public protection requirements <u>cbos.tas.gov.au/consumer-protection-requirements</u>. Once your Home State validates all the licence details on your notification, your deemed registration will be granted, and you will receive an email to confirm this.

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Other information

Several important Acts, Regulations, and Determinations govern and establish the Gas Safety Framework in Tasmania. Some of these are listed below.

You should also be aware that continuing professional development (CPD) is mandatory for all persons carrying on work prescribed under the *Occupational Licensing Act 2005*, including gas-fitters. You must comply with CPD requirements and may be subject to audit and investigation.

Legislation

- Gas Safety Act 2019
- Gas Safety Regulations 2021
- Occupational Licensing Act 2005

Other Important Documents

- <u>Guide for New Gas-fitters in Tasmania</u>
- <u>Continuing Professional Development Determination</u>
- Approved Forms

Online portal for property development

PlanBuild Tasmania will deliver a single access point for the industry, property owners and councils to obtain information on planning and building rules for their development projects and manage the planning, building, plumbing and related public and environmental health applications across Tasmania.

The Enquiry service provides free, online access to planning information, spatial data and mapping services and regulatory requirements relating to planning, building and referral authority approvals.

Future functionality will include the online lodgement of applications.

Visit <u>planbuild.tas.gov.au</u> for more information and to start an enquiry.

More information

For more information, visit <u>www.cbos.tas.gov.au</u>, or contact us at <u>CBOS.info@justice.tas.gov.au</u>, or phone **I300 654 499.**

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