

# Clarification on training/licensing requirements for refrigerated display cabinet (activity 32)



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We have amended our requirements for activity 32 to clarify that the installation of plug in refrigerated display cabinets does not require a licensed electrician.

Licensed electricians are still required for the installation of all other types of refrigerated display cabinets

We have made this change to reflect the low level of electrical safety risks for this type of installation. The change will take effect immediately.

## The issue being addressed

Our current training/licensing requirements for installers specify that a licenced electrician is required to install a refrigerated display cabinet (activity 32) under the VEU program.

However, we are now aware that there are two distinct types of refrigerated display cabinets (RDC):

- A remote RDC which is normally a larger unit, where the compressor is housed externally to the main unit and requires an electrician to install.
- An integral RDC which is normally a smaller unit, where the compressor is housed within the cabinet. These operate as a “plug in” unit like a domestic fridge.





## **Update to training/licensing requirements**

We recognise that 'plug-in' RDC installations do not typically need a licensed electrician registered with Energy Safe Victoria for installation, and that having a licensed electrician to install these products creates a barrier to the roll out of the activity and is disproportionate to the safety risks.

We have modified the training /licensing requirement for activity 32 in our [Appliance Activity Guide](#) to reflect this.

## **Claiming certificates in the VEU registry**

The VEU registry system requires accredited persons and installers to input information into the "electrician licence number" field when submitting a VEEC creation claim for all RDC installations.

You should enter 'N/A' into this field where a licensed electrician is not required for the installation (i.e. for installation of a 'plug-in' RDC).

## **Where to get help**

If you have any questions or feedback about this program update, please contact VEU Support on (03) 9032 1310 or [veu@esc.vic.gov.au](mailto:veu@esc.vic.gov.au).

