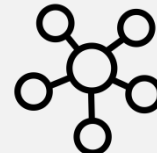
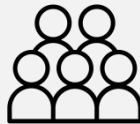


E-waste management changes commencing 1 July 2019



Information for program participants

1 July 2019



We have updated our guidance documents to reflect new e-waste management requirements from 1 July 2019 set by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) under the Environment Protection Act 1970.

Mandatory e-waste recycling is likely to affect APs and installers, particularly those that undertake lighting upgrades and generate, transport, collect, store, handle or reprocess lighting equipment.

All program participants should understand and prepare to comply with operational and recordkeeping requirements set by the EPA.

Regulatory changes commencing on 1 July 2019

From 1 July 2019, every person must comply with the EPA's Waste Management Policy (E-Waste) (e-waste policy), which is banning e-waste from landfill.

The e-waste policy places operational and recordkeeping requirements on e-waste service providers, which is defined as any person who conducts a business or undertaking that accepts e-waste for collection, storage, handling, transport or reprocessing.

There are additional recordkeeping requirements placed on those who transport and/or reprocess lighting equipment, as they are categorised as specified electronic waste.

The e-waste policy can be found at the [Victorian Government Gazette website](#).

We have updated VEU program guidance documents and forms to:

- provide a general understanding of the requirements of EPA's e-waste policy
- include provision of e-waste management practices as part of applying for accreditation or activity approval





- include a declaration of compliance with e-waste policy for VEEC assignment forms for lighting activities

Key updates have been made to the following documents:

Type of Document	Documents	Update
Program Guidance	Obligations and Program Guide for Accredited Persons	New section on e-waste management requirements
Activity Guides (non-lighting)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water Heating and Space Heating/Cooling • Gas Efficiency 	Reference to EPA's e-waste policy requirements
Activity Guides (lighting)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incandescent Lighting (Activity 21) • Public Lighting Upgrade (Activity 27) • Building Based Lighting Upgrade (Activity 34) • Non-Building Based Lighting Upgrade (Activity 35) 	Reference to EPA's e-waste policy and clarification of recycling evidence for valid decommissioning.
Application Forms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VEU Accreditation • VEU Additional Activity Accreditation • Public Lighting Upgrade (Activity 27) • Non-Building Based Lighting Upgrade (Activity 35) 	New requirement for information on e-waste management practices
VEEC Assignment Form Template	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lighting (Activities 21A and 21B) – Residential Premises • Lighting (Activities 21A and 21B) – Business and Non-Residential Premises • Lighting (Activities 21C, 21D, 21E and 21F) – Residential Premises • Lighting (Activities 21C, 21D, 21E and 21F) – Business and Non-Residential Premises 	New declaration of compliance with e-waste policy



Type of Document	Documents	Update
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public Based Lighting Upgrade (Activity 27) – Business and Non-Residential Premises• Building Based Lighting Upgrade (Activity 34)• Non-Building Based Lighting Upgrade (Activity 35).	

Accredited persons must amend the above VEEC assignment forms by 1 August 2019. Assignment of rights by consumers for installations undertaken after this date must be made on the updated forms. You will not be required to submit updated VEEC assignment forms to us for approval. However, you must ensure that assignment occurs in the manner and form prescribed by us. Failure to use the correct assignment form for activities undertaken after 1 August 2019 may result in compliance action.

Updated program documents

Updated guidance documents, including activity guides and product application guides, will be available on the commission website from 9 am, 1 July 2019 (www.esc.vic.gov.au/veu).

Where to get help

If you have any questions or feedback with respect to matters set out in this program update, please contact VEU Support on (03) 9032 1310 or veu@esc.vic.gov.au.

For any questions on EPA's requirements under the e-waste policy, please contact EPA on 1300 372 842 or contact@epa.vic.gov.au.

