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# Electrical compliance requirements

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## **Certificate of Compliance for Electrical Work**

Electricians must submit a Certificate of Compliance for electrical work (CCEW) under the *Gas and Electricity (Consumer Safety) Act 2017* and *Gas and Electricity (Consumer Safety) Regulation 2018*. A completed CCEW must be submitted within seven days of completing any safety and compliance test, on an electrical installation.

Download a [CCEW PDF form \(PDF, 284.21 KB\)](#)

([https://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0020/371342/CCEW\\_template.pdf](https://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0020/371342/CCEW_template.pdf)).

Licensees can use the NSW Fair Trading's approved PDF form or an existing approved CCEW form, and provide a copy to:

Fair Trading by emailing [meterccew@customerservice.nsw.gov.au](mailto:meterccew@customerservice.nsw.gov.au)  
(<mailto:meterccew@customerservice.nsw.gov.au>)

The customer; and

The distributor.

## How to use the PDF form

Online you can choose to submit copies of this form in the one application to:

the customer

the electricity network provider

NSW Fair Trading, and

the energy provider (electricity distributor)

Create a template by downloading and saving this form with your electrical licence details. This will save time on all future submissions of the CCEW form.

**Note:** This form currently can't be used on a mobile device or tablet.

## Serial number

As the electrician, it's your responsibility to apply a unique serial number to their CCEW. Use your electrical licence number followed by a sequential number (e.g. if your licence number is 444444C, your first CCEW will be 444444C001, your second will be 444444C002 and so on).

## Who should receive a copy of the CCEW?

It's the tester's responsibility to make sure the following receive a copy of the CCEW:

- 1 For any electrical work to the person (customer) for whom the work is carried out.
- 2 For new electrical installations – customer, distributor and Fair Trading
- 3 Any alterations or additions to an existing electrical installation that will require additional work to be done in relation to the network connection for the installation - customer, distributor and Fair Trading,
- 4 Work on a switchboard or associated equipment - customer, distributor and Fair Trading
- 5 Electrical installation work for an installation using a stand-alone power system – customer and Fair Trading
- 6 Installation, alteration or replacement of an electricity meter – customer and Fair Trading

## Penalties

Substantial penalties apply, including on the spot fines of up to \$1000, for each occasion when a Compliance Certificate is not supplied to the consumer (or network provider if relevant).

Under the legislation, substantial penalties also apply (up to \$550,000) for failure to carry out electrical installation work in accordance with the technical standards set out in the Regulation.

These standards are the Australia/New Zealand wiring rules and the [NSW Service and Installation Rules \(https://energy.nsw.gov.au/government-and-regulation/legislative-and-regulatory-requirements/service-installation-rules\)](https://energy.nsw.gov.au/government-and-regulation/legislative-and-regulatory-requirements/service-installation-rules).

## Electrical installation safety inspection prior to remote re-energisation of premises

If an electrical installation has been de-energised for 6 months or more, an electrical installation safety inspection is required by a qualified electrician to ensure, as far as practically possible, the electrical installation is safe to re-energise.

After the safety inspection has been conducted, an [Electrical Installation Safety Inspection Certificate \(https://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/\\_\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0008/910376/Electrical-Inspection-Safety-Certificate-FF.pdf\)](https://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0008/910376/Electrical-Inspection-Safety-Certificate-FF.pdf) (remote re-energisation safety statement), on the approved form, is completed and provided to the customer.

The Remote Re-energisation Safety Statement includes details of the minimum checks and tests required prior to issuing the certificate.

The customer will need to provide a copy of the certificate to their electricity retailer when arranging for re-energisation to be undertaken.

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