

Compliance for pool pumps

Suppliers of swimming pool and spa pool pumps need to comply with new requirements under the *Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards Act 2012* and the Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards (Swimming Pool Pump-units) Determination 2021.

The Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards Regulator takes a risk-based approach to compliance. Our objective is to maximise the number of suppliers who voluntarily comply with the Act, while implementing strategies and responses to identify, and then deter, non-compliance.



See <u>the Compliance page</u>, including a handy checklist, on the Energy Rating website for more information.

How will the regulator respond to non-compliance?

When considering a response to non-compliance, we review the supplier's non-compliance history, behaviours, motivations and intentions to determine the appropriate response.

Where suppliers are attempting to comply with the requirements, then in the first instance, we will provide education and support to assist them to meet their obligations.

Where a deliberate failure to comply is identified, we will use a range of response options, including:

- suspending a model's registration
- cancelling a model's registration
- enforceable undertakings
- infringement notices
- civil penalty orders
- injunctions.



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If financial penalties are imposed for non-compliance, they are between 60 and 120 penalty units per offence. As at August 2022 a penalty unit is \$222, which translates to penalties between \$13,320 and \$26,640.

How can I report non-compliance?

You can report suspected non-compliance by emailing compliance@gems.gov.au.

Please include as much detail as you can, such as:

- **the product** describe the important features to help us to identify the product, including the model number, and brand or manufacturer
- where it is being supplied the supplier's name, address and contact details if possible
- why you believe it does not meet the requirements.

We may also wish to contact you to clarify the information provided. Please provide your contact details unless you wish to remain anonymous.

More information

For more information, visit the <u>Energy Rating website</u> or contact us at <u>energyrating@industry.gov.au</u>.

For detailed information refer to the <u>Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards</u> (Swimming Pool Pump-units) Determination 2021.

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