

INFORMATION BULLETIN – SCHEDULE 24 REGULATORY AMENDMENTS COMMENCING 1 JANUARY 2017

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The Victorian Energy Efficiency Target (VEET) scheme is a Victorian Government initiative promoted as the *Energy Saver Incentive*.

1 OVERVIEW

This document contains information about amendments to the *Victorian Energy Efficiency Target Regulations 2008* (the Regulations) under Schedule 24 – Installation of high efficiency television, which will commence on 1 January 2017.

2 WHO IS IMPACTED BY THESE CHANGES

- Applicants who intend to apply for product approval under Schedule 24 – Installation of high efficiency television
- Accredited persons (APs) who undertake, or intend to undertake, prescribed activities under Schedule 24 – Installation of high efficiency television.

3 CHANGES TO SCHEDULE 24

The Regulation amendments to be introduced on 1 January 2017 will result in the following changes to Schedule 24:

1. Changes to the minimum performance standards for products under Schedule 24.
2. Modification of the values used to calculate, in tonnes, the carbon dioxide equivalent of greenhouse gases to be reduced by installing a high efficiency television.

3.1 What does this mean for VEET stakeholders

3.1.1 Change to minimum product requirements

From 1 January 2017, new minimum product performance criteria for Schedule 24 take effect (see Table 1: Changes to minimum product performance). Any currently approved products that do not meet the new minimum product requirements will have an 'effective to' date of 31 December 2016 in the product register and will not be eligible for installation under the VEET scheme from 1 January 2017. However, installation of these products undertaken up to and including 31 December 2016 will still be eligible for the creation of Victorian Energy Efficiency certificates (VEECs).

Table 1: Changes to minimum product performance

Product performance amendments	Current (pre 1 January 2017)	From 1 January 2017
Registered for energy labelling in accordance with	AS/NZS 62087.2.2:2010	AS/NZS 62087.2.2:2011
Minimum star rating	5.5 Stars	7 Stars
Comparative energy consumption	450 kWh per year	300 kWh per year

3.1.2 New values used to calculate VEECs under Schedule 24

The current equation used to calculate VEECs for an eligible installation of a high efficiency television is:

$$[0.512 \times (SA \times 0.1825 + 127.5) - CEC] \times 0.01079$$

From 1 January 2017, the constants used in this equation will change:

- for "0.512" **substitute** "0.32768";
- for "0.1825" **substitute** "0.09344";
- for "127.5" **substitute** "65.408";and
- for "0.01079" **substitute** "0.00964"

The new equation to calculate VEECs for an eligible installation of a high efficiency television from 1 January 2017 is therefore:

$$[0.32768 \times (SA \times 0.09344 + 65.408) - CEC] \times 0.00964$$

4 Updated documents for review

APs must familiarise themselves with the various administrative requirements before undertaking activities under the updated Schedule 24. In particular, APs should review the amended Regulations, available from the VEET website under the 'Legislation' page (see <https://www.veet.vic.gov.au>).

Additionally, APs should review the following updated documents which will be available on the VEET website from 1 January 2017:

- *Explanatory Note – Creating VEECs from Prescribed Activities*
- *Explanatory Note – Lodging a Product Application*

5 Legal Context for this Document

This document provides a summary of the regulatory amendments only, and APs will need to familiarise themselves with the amended Regulations.

This document should not be relied upon as substitute for legal advice and should be read in conjunction with the amended Regulations. In the event of inconsistency between this document and the Regulations, the content in the Regulations takes precedence.