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# ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS NEWSLETTER



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## Lot numbers on subdivisions

With the amount of subdivisions currently in progress around the state, we are finding more jobs are coming through with lot numbers rather than street addresses. The only problem with this is that once the subdivision signs are taken down, it can be very difficult to determine the exact location of the site.

When submitting an EWR with a lot number, please ensure that the site itself is adequately signposted and easily identified.

## Obtaining copies of the Service & Installation Rules

The New Service & Installation Rules came into effect on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007. To date, about 75% of all listed Contractors have now obtained their new Service & Installation Rules book.

Changes to the Rules are due once every quarter, as detailed in the front of the manuals. The next amendments are due to be published on the Aurora Energy Website on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008. Please remember it is your responsibility to ensure that your manual is kept up-to-date with all changes published.

For those Contractors who have not yet purchased a copy of the Rules, and would like one, there are two options available:

- Copies of the Rules are available to download free of charge from the Aurora Energy Website [www.auroraenergy.com.au](http://www.auroraenergy.com.au) Click on the "Powerline Network" button to access.
- Hard copies are available via purchase order. Hard copy manuals are \$50 each plus postage and handling, and inclusive of GST. For enquiries or orders, please contact Tanya on 6271 6548.

## Electrical Compliance Group - Contacts

The Business Support Officers for the Electrical Compliance Group are:

<b>South</b>	<b>Lisa Harris</b>	<b>6208 7027</b>
<b>North</b>	<b>Diana Pickford</b>	<b>6324 7671</b>
	<b>Helen Hill</b>	

**North West**      **Lisa Wood**      **6425 6030**

Miranda Ward, our Southern BSO, has left the business, and Lisa Harris replaces Miranda.

Philip Whitmore has now joined the Electrical Compliance Group and is currently under-going training.

For AS/NZS 3000 queries, please phone one of our Electrical Compliance Inspectors.

## Grid Connect Solar Cells - Connection

Aurora has found some instances of Grid Connect Solar Cells being connected to Aurora's Network before they have been inspected and the metering changed. This is **NOT ACCEPTABLE**. It creates a safety hazard to Aurora Personnel and the metering will not work correctly. They can only be connected via a tee-up. Aurora will contact you for this. Aurora will then inspect the site, and connect if ok. **Note:** Solar panels have to be installed and ready to go on the day (again, an EIN needs to be submitted to the Electrical Compliance Group).

## Authorised Contractors

### Minimum Inspection Requirements

All Authorised Contractors are reminded of the requirements to test in accordance with AS3000 and "Minimum Inspection Requirements". Please ensure, as you obtain meters from EM&T, to collect your Authorised Contractors Handbook, which is where these work instructions can be found.

### Before and After

When metering a new installation it is compulsory to provide either a before meter or after meter number in the "Authorised Contractor" section of the EWR. If this information is not provided you will be contacted and asked to supply at your cost.

### Sealing Pliers

Some Authorised Contractors have been giving their sealing pliers to non-Authorised people to use. You are reminded that sealing pliers are personal issue, and you will be removed from the Authorised Contractor Scheme if found doing so. All sealing pliers are numbered and you are responsible for all installations that have your seal number on them.

