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New Wiring Rules Out Now

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Purpose

With over 600 pages, the AS/NZS 3000 revision is based on:

New technology, equipment and improved installation techniques

Industry feedback regarding readability and compliance

Identification and clarification of normative (mandatory) requirements and informative guidance material throughout the document

Experience gained in the application of the previous edition as expressed to Standards Australia and Standards New Zealand.

Main Areas Covered

- Residual Current Devices (RCDs)
- Mains switches
- Kitchens
- Arc Fault Detection Devices (AFDDs)
- Switchboards
- Electric Vehicle Charging Systems
- Lifts
- Safety Services
- Alterations and repairs
- Water heaters
- Conductors
- Outbuildings
- Recessed lighting and more.

Over 200 Changes

- Mandatory RCD requirements for protected circuits and alterations and repairs clarified
- Improved installation safety requirements for cables that pass through bulk thermal insulation
- New clause detailing Arc Fault Detection Devices and their installation requirements
- Enhanced requirements for switchboard installation and minimum clearances
- New electric vehicle socket outlet requirements
- Requirements for alterations and repairs have been clarified and expanded
- Revised requirements for lighting equipment and accessories
- Improved safety requirements for cooking appliance switching devices
- Gas appliances and equipment isolation requirements clarified.
- Revised installation requirements for each type of safety service
- Installation requirements for electricity generation systems updated in line with applicable Standards
- The date of initial energisation is now mandatory at the installation switchboard
- New figures added and existing figures updated and more.

Compliance with the new Wiring Rules will be applied on a mandatory basis in accordance with relevant State legislation.

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