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General

This information notice applies to refrigerating appliances, other than ice-cream makers, within the scope of AS/NZS 60335.2.24.

AMENDMENT 2 (**A2**) of AS/NZS 60335.2.24:2010 was published 29 June 2018 with two years transition period from the date of publication. The transition period is to allow for existing equipment designs to be able to be modified in order to comply with the new requirements.

Requirement

Major changes introduced by **A2:2018** relate to reducing fire risk by specifying requirements for the material encasing thermal insulation for refrigerating appliances other than ice-cream appliances, as well as the rating and compliance requirements for motor running capacitors. As this is an improvement in safety outcomes relevant equipment should meet these requirements as soon as practicable.

Any current certificate for equipment affected by these changes will remain valid for the period listed on the certificate. This will apply unless a safety issue arises with the equipment certified, in which case the certification may be cancelled.

From the date of this information notice, any new or renewed certification issued for equipment, where that equipment does not have evidence of compliance to AS/NZS 60335.2.24:2010 including A1:2013 & **A2:2018**, will have a certification date limited to 29 June 2020. However, if the equipment has a compliant test report to AS/NZS 60335.2.24:2010 including A1:2013 & **A2:2018**, the certification date will be for the full 5 years.

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