New Rules for Embedded Electricity Networks

Information for customers living in caravan parks and similar sites



If you live in a caravan park you may be living within an embedded electricity network.



The Victorian Government has changed the rules relating to the sale and supply of electricity to people living within an embedded network.



The changes will provide you with more **protections** around the supply and sale of your electricity. This includes access to free, independent **dispute resolution** via the Energy and Water Ombudsman (Victoria).

Your caravan park may be registered with the commission

It's likely that the owner of your caravan park is required to register with the commission. Once they have registered we will publish their details, including customer contact information, on the public register of exempt persons. You can access the register at http://www.esc.vic.gov.au/energy-licence-exemptions.

What if my caravan park is not on the register?

If you think your caravan park is an embedded network but you can't find it on our register, you can contact the commission via email: exemptionregister@esc.vic.gov.au or telephone 1300 664 969.

If you report a potential non-registration, we will not reveal your identity or provide any of your details when we contact the person.

Your rights and protections

The changes bring new protections for you. These include:

The person who sells electricity in your caravan park needs to get your explicit and
informed consent before creating an agreement for the sale of electricity. This means that
they must clearly tell you how much you will be paying for electricity, any terms or
conditions that the sale is subject to, and they need to make sure you agree to these terms.





• You cannot be charged more than your local area retailer's standing offer – this means that the cost of your daily supply charge and the price you pay per unit of electricity is capped at a comparable price for your location.

Where to get help

If you are living in an embedded network and you have a problem with the sale or supply of your electricity that you have been unable to directly resolve with your provider, you will be able to seek the assistance from the Energy and Water Ombudsman (Victoria) **from 1 July 2018**. You can contact the ombudsman on 1800 500 509 or https://www.ewov.com.au/.

Contact us

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