



Radiocommunications (121.5 MHz and 243.0 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons) Standard 2003

The AUSTRALIAN COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY makes this Standard under subsection 162 (1) of the *Radiocommunications Act 1992*.

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1 Name of Standard

This Standard is the *Radiocommunications (121.5 MHz and 243.0 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons) Standard 2003*.

2 Commencement

This Standard commences on gazettal.

3 Revocation

Radiocommunications Standard (121.5 MHz and 243.0 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons) No. 1 of 1996 is revoked.

4 Definitions

In this Standard:

121.5 MHz and 243.0 MHz emergency position indicating radio beacon means a device:

- (a) that is capable of being operated on:
 - (i) the carrier frequency 121.5 MHz; or
 - (ii) the carrier frequency 243.0 MHz; or
 - (iii) the carrier frequencies of 121.5 MHz and 243.0 MHz; and
- (b) that incorporates a transmitter that is designed or manufactured principally for the purpose of facilitating search and rescue operations.

Act means the *Radiocommunications Act 1992*.

model, of a radiocommunications device, means a version of the device that has a particular design and identifying number.

5 Application

This Standard applies to 121.5 MHz and 243.0 MHz emergency position indicating radio beacons.

6 Standard for performance

For paragraph 162 (1) (a) of the Act, the standard for performance is the standard set out in AS/NZS 4330:2000, as in force from time to time, other than the following provisions:

- (a) the second paragraph of clause 1.1;
- (b) clause 1.4.1 (the definition of ‘battery shelf life’);
- (c) clause 1.4.2 (the definition of ‘battery sub-assembly’);
- (d) section 2;
- (e) the last paragraph of clause 3.3.10;
- (f) Appendix A.

7 Transitional period — compliance with former Standard

- (1) This section has effect despite the revocation of the Radiocommunications Standard (121.5 MHz and 243.0 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons) No. 1 of 1996.
- (2) If a radiocommunications device of a particular model is manufactured, imported, altered or modified within 1 year after the commencement of this Standard, the device is taken to comply with this Standard if it complies with the Radiocommunications Standard (121.5 MHz and 243.0 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons) No. 1 of 1996 when it is manufactured, imported, altered or modified.

- (3) If a radiocommunications device of that model is manufactured, imported, altered or modified 1 year or more after the commencement of this Standard, the device is taken to comply with this Standard if it complies with the Radiocommunications Standard (121.5 MHz and 243.0 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons) No. 1 of 1996 when it is manufactured, imported, altered or modified.

8 Compliance with this Standard — compliance with former Standard

- (1) This section has effect despite the revocation of the Radiocommunications Standard (121.5 MHz and 243.0 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons) No. 1 of 1996.
- (2) If a radiocommunications device of a particular model was manufactured, imported, altered or modified before the commencement of this Standard, the device is taken to comply with this Standard if it complied with the Radiocommunications Standard (121.5 MHz and 243.0 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons) No. 1 of 1996 when it was manufactured, imported, altered or modified.
- (3) If a radiocommunications device of that model is manufactured, imported, altered or modified on or after the commencement of this Standard, the device is taken to comply with this Standard if it complies with the Radiocommunications Standard (121.5 MHz and 243.0 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons) No. 1 of 1996 when it is manufactured, imported, altered or modified.

9 Effect of amendment of standard for performance

- (1) If a radiocommunications device is manufactured, imported, altered or modified within 1 year after the standard for performance is amended, the device is taken to meet the standard for performance if it meets that standard as in force before the amendment.
- (2) A radiocommunications device that is manufactured, imported, altered or modified 1 year or more after the standard for performance is amended must meet the standard for performance as amended.