

# Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Cheaper Home Batteries Program) Regulations 2025

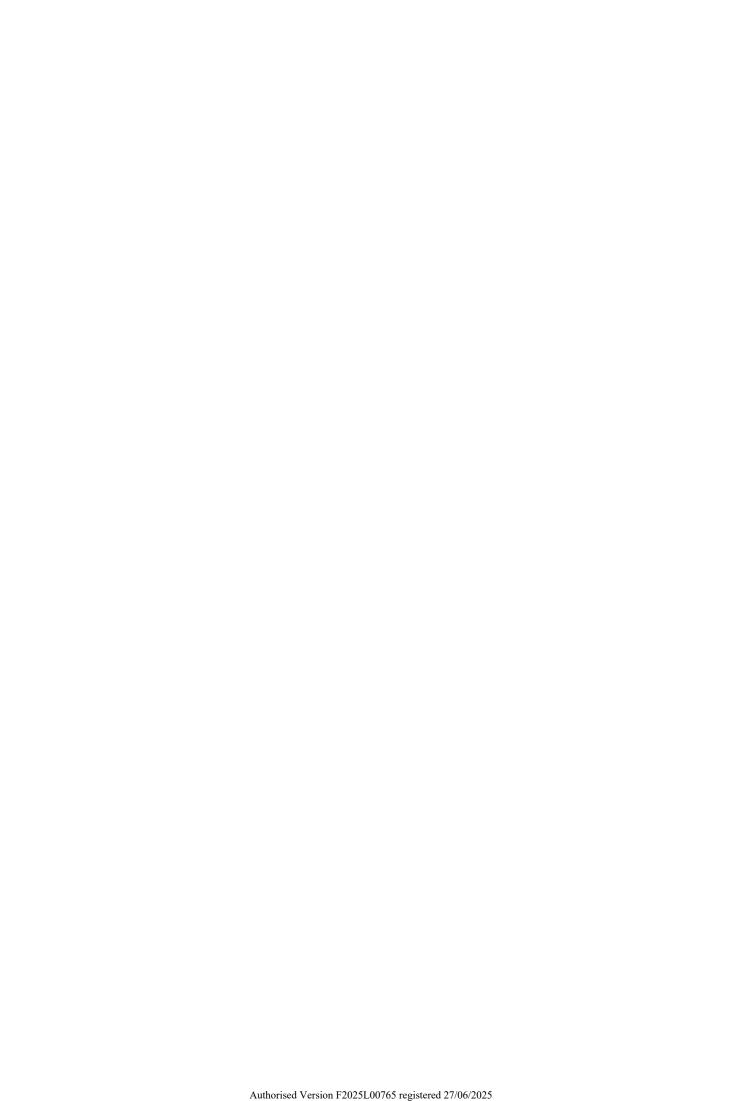
I, the Honourable Sam Mostyn AC, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following regulations.

Dated 26 June 2025

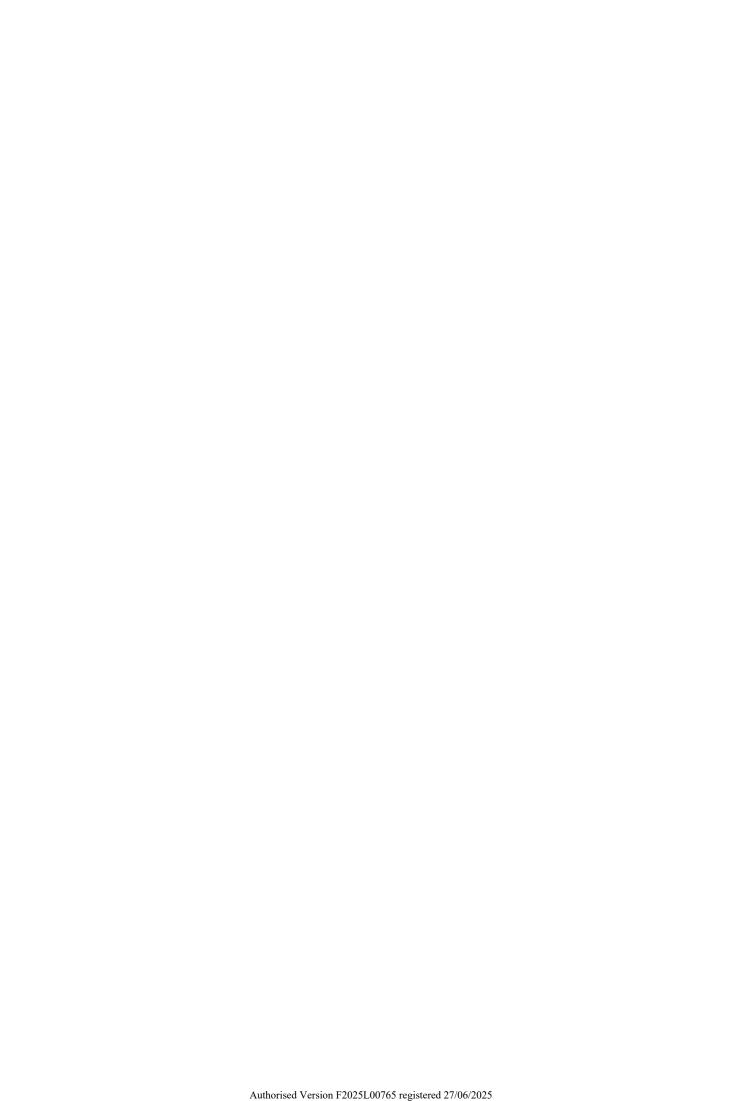
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By Her Excellency's Command

Chris Bowen Minister for Climate Change and Energy



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# 1 Name

This instrument is the *Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Cheaper Home Batteries Program) Regulations 2025.* 

#### 2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information					
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3			
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details			
1. The whole of this instrument	The day after this instrument is registered.	28 June 2025			

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

(2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

# 3 Authority

This instrument is made under the Renewable Energy (Electricity) Act 2000.

#### 4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

# Schedule 1—Amendments

# Renewable Energy (Electricity) Regulations 2001

# 1 Subregulation 3(1)

Insert:

*battery*, in relation to a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit, includes a single battery or a group of batteries connected to operate as a single battery.

battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit: see regulation 3C.

*nominal capacity*, in relation to a battery for a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit, means the amount of energy (measured in kWh) specified as the nominal capacity for the battery in the list of approved batteries (as existing from time to time) that is published by the person to whom regulation 20AE applies.

Note: The list of approved batteries could in 2025 be viewed on the Clean Energy Council's website (https://cleanenergycouncil.org.au).

*useable capacity*, in relation to a battery for a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit, means the amount of energy (measured in kWh) specified as the useable capacity for the battery in the list of approved batteries (as existing from time to time) that is published by the person to whom regulation 20AE applies.

Note: The list of approved batteries could in 2025 be viewed on the Clean Energy Council's website (https://cleanenergycouncil.org.au).

# 2 At the end of regulation 3

Add:

(3) To avoid doubt, and without limiting paragraph (2)(c), a device whose energy source is solar (photovoltaic) and that is connected to a battery is taken to be a device for the purposes of that paragraph.

# 3 At the end of Part 1

Add:

# 3C Meaning of battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit

A small generation unit installed at a premises is a *battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit* if:

- (a) the small generation unit is a solar (photovoltaic) system; and
- (b) the system is connected (directly or indirectly) to a battery also installed at the premises.

Note:

Additional certificates for a small generation unit that is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit may be created in accordance with regulations 19D and 20 if the conditions under regulation 20ACA are satisfied.

# 4 At the end of regulation 19D

Add:

2 Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Cheaper Home Batteries Program) Regulations 2025 Additional certificates for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units

#### (4) If:

- (a) a small generation unit installed at a premises is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit; and
- (b) the battery for the small generation unit is certified as complying with the laws of the jurisdiction in which the small generation unit is installed relating to safety and technical standards; and
- (c) that certification is made on a day that is on or after 1 July 2025 (regardless of whether the small generation unit was installed, or the battery for the unit was installed or began to be installed, before that day); and
- (d) this subregulation has not previously applied in relation to the small generation unit or any other small generation unit at the premises (whether in relation to that battery or any other battery);

then, for the purposes of subsection 23A(3) of the Act, an additional right to create certificates for the unit arises within 12 months of the day mentioned in paragraph (c) when the battery is certified.

- Note 1: See regulation 3C for the definition of *battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit.*
- Note 2: Additional certificates for a small generation unit that is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit cannot be created unless the conditions under regulation 20ACA are satisfied.
- (5) To avoid doubt, a right to create certificates for a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit as mentioned in subregulation (4) is in addition to, and does not limit, a right to create certificates for the small generation unit as mentioned in subregulation (2).
- (6) To avoid doubt, subregulation (1) applies in relation to determining when a small generation unit that is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit is taken to be installed.
  - Example 1: A small generation unit that is a solar (photovoltaic) system without a battery is installed and begins to produce and deliver electricity on 5 May 2023. A battery is later installed for the small generation unit on 1 September 2025. The battery is certified for compliance on 5 September 2025. Both of the following apply:
    - (a) the small generation unit is taken to have been installed on 5 May 2023 and the right to create initial certificates for the unit arises within 12 months of that day;
    - (b) the right to create additional certificates for the small generation unit arises within 12 months of 5 September 2025.
  - Example 2: A small generation unit that is a solar (photovoltaic) system with a battery is installed and begins to produce and deliver electricity on 5 May 2026. The battery is certified for compliance on 10 May 2026. Both of the following apply:
    - (a) the small generation unit is taken to have been installed on 5 May 2026 and the right to create initial certificates for the unit arises within 12 months of that day;
    - (b) the right to create additional certificates for the small generation unit arises within 12 months of 10 May 2026.

# 5 At the end of regulation 20

Add:

Additional certificates for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units

(6) If a small generation unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit, then, for the purposes of subsection 23B(1) of the Act, in addition to the number

of certificates that have been, or may be, created for the unit under subregulation (1), the number of certificates that may be created in relation to the unit includes the amount calculated under subregulation (7).

Note 1: See regulation 3C for the definition of *battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit.* 

Note 2: Additional certificates for a small generation unit that is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit cannot be created unless the conditions under regulation 20ACA are satisfied.

(7) The amount is calculated by multiplying the useable capacity of the battery for the unit, up to a maximum of 50kWh, by the factor specified in the following table for the year in which the battery is certified for compliance (as mentioned in paragraph 19D(4)(b)), rounding down to the nearest whole number.

Note: See subregulation 3(1) for the definition of *useable capacity*.

Battery connected (solar PV) small generation units						
	Column 1	Column 2				
Item	Year battery certified	Factor				
1	2025	9.3				
2	2026	8.4				
3	2027	7.4				
4	2028	6.5				
5	2029	5.6				
6	2030	4.7				

# 6 After regulation 20AC

Insert:

# 20ACA Conditions for creation of additional certificates for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units (Act s 23A)

(1) For the purposes of subsection 23A(1A) of the Act, additional certificates to which subregulation 19D(4) applies cannot be created in relation to a small generation unit that is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit unless the conditions in this regulation are satisfied in relation to the unit and its installation.

Note: See regulation 3C for the definition of *battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit.* 

20AC conditions

- (2) Either of the following applies:
  - (a) if the battery for the small generation unit is installed at the same time as the unit—the conditions mentioned in regulation 20AC are satisfied in relation to the small generation unit and its installation;
  - (b) if the battery for the small generation unit is installed after the small generation unit is installed:

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- (i) the condition mentioned in subregulation 20AC(4) is satisfied in relation to the small generation unit and its installation; and
- (ii) any inverter used in the installation of the small generation unit meets the requirement of subregulation (17).

#### Nominal capacity of battery

(3) The battery for the small generation unit must have a total nominal capacity of at least 5kWh and no more than 100kWh.

Note: See subregulation 3(1) for the definitions of *battery* and *nominal capacity*.

Example: A battery for a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit consists of a group of 3 battery modules connected to operate as a single battery. The nominal capacity for each of those modules is 25kWh. The total nominal capacity for the battery is 75kWh.

# List of approved batteries

(4) The battery for the small generation unit must be included on the list of approved batteries (as existing from time to time) that is published by the person to whom regulation 20AE applies.

Note: The list of approved batteries could in 2025 be viewed on the Clean Energy Council's website (https://cleanenergycouncil.org.au).

#### VPP readiness

(5) If the small generation unit is connected (directly or indirectly) to a grid—the battery and the inverter used in the installation of the battery must be capable of connecting (directly or indirectly) to external entities in a manner that would enable the battery and that inverter to respond to remote signals.

Design and installation of battery

- (6) The person or persons who design or install the battery for the small generation unit:
  - (a) are accredited under an accreditation scheme mentioned in paragraph 20AC(2)(a) or (b) (whichever is applicable); and
  - (b) are not covered by a declaration in effect under regulation 20AG or 47 on:
    - (i) if the installation of the battery was completed in a single day—that day; or
    - (ii) in any other case—the day the installation began; and
  - (c) were on site to install, or supervise the installation of, the battery in accordance with the accreditation scheme under which the person is accredited.

# Provision of serial number of battery

(7) Regulation 20AD has been complied with in relation to the battery for the small generation unit.

Inverter used in battery installation

- (8) If the installation of the battery for the small generation unit uses an inverter, the inverter:
  - (a) complies with regulation 20AD; and

(b) meets the requirements mentioned in paragraphs 20AC(9)(a) to (d).

Electrical wiring

(9) The electrical wiring associated with the installation of the battery for the small generation unit was undertaken by an electrical worker holding an unrestricted license for electrical work issued by the State or Territory authority for the place where the battery was installed.

Electrical wiring to which subregulation (9) does not apply

- (10) Subregulation (9) does not apply to electrical wiring if:
  - (a) the battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit is not connected to the grid; and
  - (b) the wiring does not involve alternating current of 50 or more volts; and
  - (c) the wiring does not involve direct current of 120 or more volts; and
  - (d) before any certificates to which subregulation 19D(4) applies are created for the small generation unit, the person who is entitled to create the certificates for the unit obtains a written statement by the installer of the battery that:
    - (i) the unit is not grid-connected; and
    - (ii) an electrical worker holding an unrestricted license for electrical work issued by the State or Territory authority for the place where the battery was installed undertook all wiring of the battery that involves alternating current of 50 or more volts; or direct current of 120 or more volts.

Local and State or Territory government requirements

(11) All local and State or Territory government requirements have been met for the installation of the battery for the small generation unit.

Written statements, documents and evidence

- (12) The person who is entitled to create the certificates for the small generation unit has obtained:
  - (a) a written statement by the designer of the battery (or, if the installer of the battery is accredited for the design of the battery, the installer of the battery) stating:
    - (i) the name of the designer of the battery; and
    - (ii) the accreditation scheme type or classification, and accreditation number, of the designer of the battery; and
    - (iii) that the designer complied with all relevant requirements of the accreditation scheme for the design of the battery; and
  - (b) a written statement by the installer of the battery stating:
    - (i) the name of the installer of the battery; and
    - (ii) the accreditation scheme type or classification, and accreditation number, of the installer of the battery; and
    - (iii) that the installer complied with all relevant requirements of the accreditation scheme for the installation of the battery; and

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- (c) a written statement by the installer of the battery that all local and State or Territory government requirements have been met for the installation of the battery; and
- (d) a copy of any documentation required, by the laws of the jurisdiction in which the battery was installed, to be provided to the owner of the battery certifying that the electrical installation of the battery complies with laws relating to safety and technical standards; and
- (e) a written statement by the installer of the battery stating:
  - (i) that the installer has a copy of the design of the battery; and
  - (ii) if the design was not modified during the installation of the battery—that the battery was installed, in all material respects, in accordance with the design; and
  - (iii) if the design was modified during the installation of the battery—that the modifications were consistent with all relevant requirements of the accreditation scheme for the design of the battery, and that the battery was installed, in all material respects, in accordance with the modified design; and
  - (iv) that the battery will perform consistently with the design or modified design (as applicable); and
- (f) if the installation of the battery uses an inverter:
  - (i) a written statement by the installer of the battery that the model of inverter used in the installation, when the battery was installed, meets the requirements mentioned in paragraphs 20AC(9)(a) to (d); and
  - (ii) if the battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit is connected (directly or indirectly) to the grid—a written statement by the installer of the battery that, at the time the battery is installed, the model of inverter used in the installation of the battery complied with Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 4777.2:2020, Grid connection of energy systems via inverters, Part 2: Inverter requirements, published jointly by, or on behalf of, Standards Australia and Standards New Zealand (as existing from time to time); and
- (g) if the battery for the small generation unit is installed after the small generation unit is installed—a written statement by the installer of the battery that:
  - (i) the condition mentioned in subregulation 20AC(4) is satisfied in relation to the small generation unit and its installation; and
  - (ii) the model of inverter used in the installation of the unit meets the requirement of subregulation (17); and
- (h) all of the following:
  - (i) a written statement by the installer of the battery that the model of the battery used in the installation meets the requirements of subregulation (16) as at the time the battery is installed;
  - (ii) a written statement by the installer of the battery that the installer was on site as mentioned in paragraph (6)(c);
  - (iii) evidence from the installer of the battery that the installer was on site as mentioned in paragraph (6)(c);
  - (iv) if the battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit is connected (directly or indirectly) to the grid—a written statement by the installer of the battery that the battery, and the inverter used in the installation

of the battery, is capable of connecting (directly or indirectly) to external entities in a manner that would enable the battery and that inverter to respond to remote signals.

# Written statement from battery retailer

- (13) The person who is entitled to create the certificates for the small generation unit has obtained a written statement by the person (the *battery retailer*) who sold the battery to the owner of the battery stating the following:
  - (a) the name of the installer of the battery;
  - (b) whether or not the installer is an employee or a subcontractor of the battery retailer;
  - (c) both:
    - (i) that the battery will perform in accordance with the contract (or the quote accepted) for the sale of the battery to the owner of the battery, except to the extent that that performance is prevented by circumstances outside the battery retailer's control; and
    - (ii) that the battery retailer reasonably believes that the battery will remain installed at the premises until after the end of 2030, or the duration of the warranty period, whichever is the later;
  - (d) that the battery is:
    - (i) complete; and
    - (ii) storing and delivering electricity, or capable of storing and delivering electricity, for the unit;
  - (e) if the small generation unit is connected to the grid—that:
    - (i) the small generation unit is connected to the grid; or
    - (ii) the battery retailer has completed the battery retailer's obligations under the contract (or the quote accepted) relating to the connection of the small generation unit to the grid;
  - (f) that the battery retailer has provided information in writing to the owner of the battery about the feed in tariffs and export limits for the small generation unit;
  - (g) that the battery retailer has provided information in writing to the owner of the battery about one or more of the following for the unit after the battery is installed:
    - (i) the expected payback period;
    - (ii) the expected energy benefits;
    - (iii) the expected cost savings;
  - (h) that the battery retailer has provided information in writing to the owner of the battery about:
    - (i) the appropriate size of the battery relative to the size of the solar (photovoltaic) module; and
    - (ii) the appropriate size of the inverter used in the installation of the battery and the solar (photovoltaic) module; and
    - (iii) the current and expected electricity needs of the premises at which the small generation unit is installed; and
    - (iv) whether any additional equipment, software applications or other technology would be required to enable the owner of the battery to participate in a virtual power plant; and

- (v) the expected performance of the battery within the warranty period and in accordance with the conditions of the warranty; and
- (vi) if the battery retailer, or responsible person for the battery, is covered by a registered modern slavery statement within the meaning of the *Modern Slavery Act 2018*—how the owner of the battery may access the statement;
- (i) that the information provided as mentioned in paragraphs (f) to (h) is true, correct and complete;
- (j) that any actual or potential conflicts of interest of the battery retailer relating to the sale or installation of the battery, or the creation of certificates for the small generation unit, including any conflicts of interest in relation to persons or entities related to the battery or the small generation unit, have been:
  - (i) disclosed to the owner of the battery; and
  - (ii) managed appropriately;
- (k) that a declaration under regulation 20AH is not in effect in relation to the battery retailer on the day the statement is given.

Note: In relation to subparagraph (h)(vi), the Modern Slavery Statements Register could in 2025 be viewed on the Attorney-General's Department's website (https://www.ag.gov.au).

Statements to include statement of truth, correctness and completeness

(14) Each statement obtained for the purposes of subregulation (12) or (13) includes a statement that the information in the statement is true, correct and complete.

Information not to be false or misleading

- (15) None of the documents, statements or evidence obtained for the purposes of subregulation (12) or (13) contain information that:
  - (a) is false or misleading in a material particular; or
  - (b) omits a matter or thing without which the information is misleading in a material particular.

Note: See also section 24B of the Act (which relates to civil penalties for giving false or misleading information in relation to the installation of small generation units that results in the improper creation of certificates in relation to the units).

Statement by battery installer that battery requirements are met

- (16) For the purposes of the statement referred to in subparagraph (12)(h)(i), a model of a battery meets the requirements of this subregulation at a particular time if, at that time:
  - (a) the model is included in the list of approved batteries (as existing from time to time) that is published by the person to whom regulation 20AE applies; and
  - (b) a declaration under regulation 20AF is not in effect in relation to the model; and
  - (c) a recall notice has not been issued for the model under subsection 122(1) of the Australian Consumer Law (compulsory recall of consumer goods); and
  - (d) section 128 of the Australian Consumer Law (voluntary recall of consumer goods) does not apply in relation to the model.

Note 1: The list of approved batteries could in 2025 be viewed on the Clean Energy Council's website (https://cleanenergycouncil.org.au). Requirements for approval include compliance with relevant standards.

Note 2: The reference to the Australian Consumer Law is a reference to Schedule 2 to the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* as it applies as a law of the Commonwealth, States and Territories: see section 140K of that Act and corresponding provisions of Acts of States and Territories applying that Schedule.

Inverter used in small generation unit installation

- (17) For the purposes of subparagraph (2)(b)(ii), the requirements are that, as at the time the battery is installed, the inverter used in the installation of the small generation unit:
  - (a) is not a model of inverter declared ineligible under regulation 20AF; and
  - (b) either:
    - (i) is included in the list of approved inverters (as existing from time to time) that is published by the person to whom regulation 20AE applies); or
    - (ii) is no longer included in the list of approved inverters mentioned in subparagraph (i) for a reason other than because there was a safety risk to a person or property from the use of the model of inverter in the installation of small generation units.

Note: The list of approved inverters could in 2025 be viewed on the Clean Energy Council's website (https://cleanenergycouncil.org.au).

# 7 Regulation 20AD (heading)

After "inverters", insert ", batteries".

# 8 Before subregulation 20AD(1)

Insert:

Inverters and photovoltaic modules

# 9 After subregulation 20AD(1)

Insert:

Batteries and inverters used in installation of batteries

- (1A) For the purposes of subregulation 20ACA(7) and paragraph 20ACA(8)(a), the responsible person for a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit, or an inverter used in the installation of such a battery, must give the serial number for the battery or inverter to:
  - (a) a person in relation to whom a nomination is in effect under subregulation (2) of this regulation; or
  - (b) if no nomination is in effect under subregulation (2) of this regulation—the Regulator.

Note: The responsible person may commit an offence if the person provides false or misleading information or documents (see sections 137.1 and 137.2 of the Criminal Code).

# 10 Subregulation 20AD(2)

Omit "paragraph (1)(a)", substitute "paragraphs (1)(a) and (1A)(a)".

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# 11 Paragraph 20AD(2)(a)

After "inverters", insert ", batteries".

# 12 Subregulation 20AD(4) (definition of *responsible person*)

Repeal the definition, substitute:

responsible person, for an inverter, battery or photovoltaic module, means:

- (a) if the inverter, battery or photovoltaic module was not imported into Australia—the manufacturer of the inverter, battery or photovoltaic module; or
- (b) if the inverter, battery or photovoltaic module was imported into Australia—the person who imported the inverter, battery or photovoltaic module.

# 13 Regulation 20AE (heading)

After "inverters", insert ", batteries".

# 14 Subregulation 20AE(1)

Omit "paragraphs 20AC(9)(a) and (10)(b)", substitute "the definitions of *nominal capacity* and *useable capacity* in subregulation 3(1), paragraphs 20AC(9)(a) and (10)(b), subregulation 20ACA(4) and paragraphs 20ACA(16)(a) and (17)(b)".

# 15 Paragraph 20AE(4)(a)

After "an inverter", insert ", battery".

# 16 Paragraphs 20AE(4)(a) and (b)

After "approved inverters", insert ", approved batteries".

# 17 Paragraph 20AE(4)(c)

After "an inverter", insert ", battery".

# 18 Paragraph 20AE(4)(c)

After "approved inverters", insert ", approved batteries".

# 19 Regulation 20AF (heading)

After "inverters", insert ", batteries".

# 20 Subregulation 20AF(1)

After "an inverter,", insert "a model of a battery,".

# 21 Subregulation 20AF(1)

After "use in the installation of", insert ", or connection to,".

#### 22 Subregulation 20AF(2)

After "model of an inverter", insert ", battery".

# 23 Paragraph 20AF(2)(a)

After "inverter", insert ", battery".

# 24 Paragraphs 20AF(2)(c) and (d)

After "paragraph 20AC(9)(a) or (10)(b)", insert ", subregulation 20ACA(4) or paragraph 20ACA(16)(a) or (17)(b)".

# 25 Subregulation 20AF(5)

After "inverter", insert ", battery".

# 26 Subregulation 20AF(5)

After "installation of", insert ", or connection to,".

# 27 Regulation 20AG (at the end of the heading)

Add "or batteries".

# 28 Subregulation 20AG(1)

After "subregulation 20AC(2)", insert "or one or more batteries for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units as mentioned in subregulation 20ACA(6)".

# 29 Paragraph 20AG(1)(a)

After "paragraph 20AC(5)(aa)", insert "or 20ACA(12)(a)".

# 30 At the end of subregulation 20AG(1)

Add:

Note: For paragraph (a), the 3 or more statements may include any combination of statements

made under paragraph 20AC(5)(aa) or 20ACA(12)(a).

# 31 At the end of subregulation 20AG(2)

Add "or to design batteries for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units for the purposes of subregulation 20ACA(6)".

# 32 After subregulation 20AG(2)

Insert:

- (2A) If the Regulator makes a declaration under subregulation (2) in relation to a person who has designed one or more:
  - (a) small generation units that are solar (photovoltaic) systems; or
  - (b) batteries for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units; then the person:
    - (c) is not eligible to design small generation units that are solar (photovoltaic) systems for the purposes of subregulation 20AC(2); and
    - (d) is also not eligible to design batteries for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units for the purposes of subregulation 20ACA(6).

#### 33 Subregulation 20AG(3)

After "subregulation 20AC(2)", insert "or one or more batteries for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units as mentioned in subregulation 20ACA(6)".

# 34 Paragraph 20AG(3)(a)

After "subregulation 20AC(5)", insert "or 20ACA(12)".

# 35 Paragraph 20AG(3)(b)

After "installed a small generation unit", insert ", or a battery for a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit,".

# 36 Paragraph 20AG(3)(b)

After "installation of the unit", insert "or battery".

# 37 At the end of subregulation 20AG(3)

Add:

Note 1: For paragraph (a), the 3 or more statements may include any combination of statements made under subregulation 20AC(5) or 20ACA(12).

Note 2: For paragraph (b), the 3 or more occasions may include any combination of occasions involving the installation of a small generation unit or a battery for a small generation unit

# 38 At the end of subregulation 20AG(4)

Add "or to install batteries for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units for the purposes of subregulation 20ACA(6)".

# 39 After subregulation 20AG(4)

Insert:

- (4A) If the Regulator makes a declaration under subregulation (4) in relation to a person who has installed one or more:
  - (a) small generation units that are solar (photovoltaic) systems; or
  - (b) batteries for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units; then the person:
    - (c) is not eligible to install small generation units that are solar (photovoltaic) systems for the purposes of subregulation 20AC(2); and
    - (d) is also not eligible to install batteries for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units for the purposes of subregulation 20ACA(6).

# 40 Paragraph 20AH(1)(a)

Omit "in relation to small generation units for the purposes of subregulation 20AC(5A)", substitute ", in relation to small generation units for the purposes of subregulation 20AC(5A) or batteries for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units for the purposes of subregulation 20ACA(13),".

# 41 Subparagraph 20AH(1)(b)(i)

After "solar (photovoltaic) system", insert ", or a battery for a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit,".

# 42 At the end of subregulation 20AH(1)

Note: For paragraph (a), the 3 or more statements may include any combination of statements made under subregulation 20AC(5A) or 20ACA(13).

# 43 At the end of subregulation 20AH(2)

Add "or make statements in relation to batteries for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units for the purposes of subregulation 20ACA(13)".

# 44 After subregulation 20AH(2)

Insert:

- (2A) If the Regulator makes a declaration under subregulation (2) in relation to a person who has given statements in relation to, or sold one or more:
  - (a) small generation units that are solar (photovoltaic) systems; or
  - (b) batteries for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units; then the person:
    - (c) is not eligible to make statements in relation to small generation units that are solar (photovoltaic) systems for the purposes of subregulation 20AC(5A); and
    - (d) is also not eligible to make statements in relation to batteries for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units for the purposes of subregulation 20ACA(13).

# 45 Paragraph 20Al(1)(d)

After "small generation units", insert "or batteries".

# 46 Regulation 20BA

After "20AC", insert "or 20ACA".

# 47 Before subregulation 30(1)

Insert:

Inspections of small generation units

# 48 After subregulation 30(1)

Insert:

Inspections of small generation units where batteries later installed

- (1A) In addition to subregulation (1), the Regulator must ensure that each year a statistically significant selection of small generation units that are battery connected (solar PV) small generation units where the battery for the unit was installed during a year that is after the year the small generation unit was installed, are inspected under this Part for conformance with:
  - (a) Australian standards; and
  - (b) other standards or requirements relevant to the creation of certificates in relation to the installed battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit.
- (1B) To avoid doubt, subregulation (1) covers battery connected (solar PV) small generation units where the battery for the unit is installed at the same time as the unit

Requirements for inspectors

# 49 After paragraph 39(f)

Insert:

(fa) if the unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit—the battery for the small generation unit is:

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- (i) installed at the same premises as the small generation unit; and
- (ii) is able to store electricity produced by the unit and deliver stored electricity;
- (fb) if the unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit—all local and State or Territory government requirements have been met for the installation of the battery for the small generation unit;
- (fc) if the unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit—the installation of the battery for the small generation unit complies with AS/NZS 5139 *Electrical Installations, Safety of Battery Systems for use with Power Conversion Equipment* (as in force at the time the battery was installed);
- (fd) if the unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit—the statements and documentation mentioned in subregulations 20ACA(12) and (13) for the battery for the small generation unit have been obtained;
- (fe) if the unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit—the documents, statements and evidence mentioned in subregulations 20ACA(12) and (13) for the battery for the small generation unit do not contain information that:
  - (i) is false or misleading in a material particular; or
  - (ii) omits a matter or thing without which the information is misleading in a material particular;

# 50 After subparagraph 40(1)(d)(i)

Insert:

(ia) if the unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit—the design or installation of the battery for the small generation unit; and

# 51 Subregulation 41(1)

After "premises,", insert "or from a battery for a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit on the premises,".

# 52 Subregulation 41(5) (at the end of the definition of *interested parties*)

Add:

; (f) if the unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit—the owner of the battery for the unit.

# 53 After subregulation 42(3)

Insert:

- (3A) If the unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit, the report must also include one of the following conclusions about the design and installation of the battery for the small generation unit inspected by the inspector:
  - (a) a conclusion that the inspection found no material or pervasive evidence that one or more of the requirements in paragraphs 39(fa) to (fe) were not satisfied;
  - (b) a conclusion that the inspection found material or pervasive evidence that one or more of the requirements in paragraphs 39(fa) to (fe) were not satisfied and the non-compliance presents an imminent risk to the safe operation of the small generation unit or the battery for the unit;

(c) a conclusion that the inspection found material or pervasive evidence that one or more of the requirements in paragraphs 39(fa) to (fe) were not satisfied but the non-compliance does not present an imminent risk to the safe operation of the small generation unit or the battery for the unit.

# 54 At the end of subregulation 43(1)

Add:

- ; (d) if the unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit—a person who designed or installed the battery for the small generation unit;
  - (e) if the unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit—the person who sold the battery for the small generation unit to the owner of the battery.

# 55 At the end of subregulation 44(1)

Add:

- ; (f) if the unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit—the owner of the battery for the unit;
- (g) if the unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit—the designer of the battery for the unit;
- (h) if the unit is a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit—the installer of the battery for the unit.

# 56 Regulation 45

Before "If", insert "(1)".

# 57 At the end of regulation 45

Add:

(2) If the final report contains a conclusion that there is material or pervasive evidence that one or more of the requirements in paragraphs 39(fb) to (fe) have not been satisfied in relation to the design and installation of a battery for a small generation unit, the Regulator must provide a copy of the report to the scheme operator for the accreditation scheme under which the person or persons who designed and installed the battery for the small generation unit were accredited.

# 58 Subregulation 46(1)

Repeal the subregulation, substitute:

- (1) The Regulator must provide a copy of the report to the relevant State or Territory Regulator if there is material or persuasive evidence that either:
  - (a) one or more of the requirements in paragraphs 39(c) and (d) have not been satisfied in relation to the design and installation of a small generation unit; or
  - (b) one or more of the requirements in paragraphs 39(fb) and (fc) have not been satisfied in relation to the design and installation of a battery for a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit.

# 59 Regulation 47 (heading)

After "units", insert "or batteries".

# 60 Subregulation 47(1)

After "paragraph 20AC(2)(a), (b), (c) or (d)", insert "or subregulation 20ACA(6)".

# 61 At the end of subregulation 47(2)

Add "or batteries for small generation units for the purposes of subregulation 20ACA(6)".

# 62 Subregulation 47(3A)

Omit "A period", substitute "The period".

# 63 Paragraph 47(3A)(a)

Omit "the requirement mentioned in paragraph 39(f)", substitute "a requirement mentioned in paragraph 39(f) or 39(fe) relating to".

# 64 After subregulation 47(3A)

Insert:

Publication of declarations

# 65 Subregulation 47(4)

Omit "the declaration", substitute "a declaration made under subregulation (2)".

# 66 Subregulation 49(1) (cell at table item 2AB, column headed "Decision")

Repeal the cell, substitute:

Decision under regulation 20AF to declare, for the purpose of these Regulations, that a model of an inverter, battery or photovoltaic module is not eligible for use in the installation of, or connection to, small generation units

# 67 Subregulation 49(1) (at the end of the cell at table item 2AC, column headed "Decision")

Add "or design batteries for small generation units for the purposes of subregulation 20ACA(6)".

# 68 Subregulation 49(1) (at the end of the cell at table item 2AD, column headed "Decision")

Add "or install batteries for small generation units for the purposes of subregulation 20ACA(6)".

# 69 Subregulation 49(1) (at the end of the cell at table item 2AE, column headed "Decision")

Add "or in relation to batteries for small generation units for the purposes of subregulation 20ACA(13)".

# 70 Subregulation 49(1) (at the end of the cell at table item 3, column headed "Decision")

Add "or batteries for small generation units".

# 71 In the appropriate position in Part 9

Insert:

# 58 Amendments made by the Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Cheaper Home Batteries Program) Regulations 2025

- (1) The amendments of these Regulations made by the *Renewable Energy* (Electricity) Amendment (Cheaper Home Batteries Program) Regulations 2025 (the amending regulations) apply in relation to a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit where the battery for the unit is certified as mentioned in paragraph 19D(4)(b) (as inserted by the amending regulations) on or after 1 July 2025.
- (2) Subregulation (1) applies regardless of whether the battery was installed, or installation of the battery began:
  - (a) on or after 1 July 2025; or
  - (b) before that day but after 6 April 2025.
- (3) To avoid doubt, for the purposes of paragraph 20ACA(6)(a) (as inserted by the amending regulations) a person is accredited under an accreditation scheme mentioned in paragraph 20AC(2)(a) or (b) (whichever is applicable) whether or not the accreditation occurs before, on or after the commencement of the amending regulations.
- (4) The amendments of regulation 20AG made by the amending regulations apply whether or not statements mentioned in subregulation 20AC(5) were given before, on or after the commencement of the amending regulations.
- (5) The amendments of regulation 20AH made by the amending regulations apply whether or not statements mentioned in subregulation 20AC(5A) were given, or the small generation unit was sold, before, on or after the commencement of the amending regulations.