



Renewable Energy Legislation Amendment (2026 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2026

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 5 February 2026

Sam Mostyn AC
Governor-General

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 Legislation Amendment (2026 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2026*.

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. Sections 1 to 4 and anything in this instrument not elsewhere covered by this table	The day after this instrument is registered.	10 February 2026
2. Schedule 1	1 May 2026.	1 May 2026
3. Schedules 2 and 3	The day after this instrument is registered.	10 February 2026

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made.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 following:

- (a) the *Clean Energy Regulator Act 2011*;
- (b) 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Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.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 relating to the creation of certificates for battery connected (solar PV) small generation units

Renewable Energy (Electricity) Regulations 2001

1 At the end of subregulation 20(6)

Add:

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

2 Subregulation 20(7)

Repeal the subregulation, substitute:

(7) The amount is calculated by using the following method statement:

Method statement

- Step 1. For the useable capacity (the *tier 1 useable capacity*) of the battery for the unit up to and including 14kWh, multiply the tier 1 useable capacity of the battery by the factor set out in the table in subregulation (8) that applies in relation to the battery.
- Step 2. If the battery for the unit has a useable capacity greater than 14kWh, for the useable capacity (the *tier 2 useable capacity*) of the battery greater than 14kWh but less than or equal to 28kWh, multiply the tier 2 useable capacity of the battery by the following:
- (a) the factor set out in the table in subregulation (8) that applies in relation to the battery;
 - (b) 0.6.
- Step 3. If the battery for the unit has a useable capacity greater than 28kWh, for the useable capacity (the *tier 3 useable capacity*) of the battery greater than 28kWh but less than or equal to 50kWh, multiply the tier 3 useable capacity of the battery by the following:
- (a) the factor set out in the table in subregulation (8) that applies in relation to the battery;
 - (b) 0.15.
- Step 4. The amount is:
- (a) if an amount was worked out under step 2 or 3—the sum of the amounts worked out under steps 1 to 3 rounded down to the nearest whole number; or

(b) in any other case—the amount worked out under step 1 rounded down to the nearest whole number.

(8) For the purposes of the method statement in subregulation (7), the factor to apply in relation to a battery for a unit is worked out using the following table.

Battery connected (solar PV) small generation units		
	Column 1	Column 2
Item	If the battery for the unit is certified for compliance (as mentioned in paragraph 19D(4)(b)) during the period...	then the factor is...
1	1 May 2026 to 31 December 2026	6.8
2	1 January 2027 to 30 June 2027	5.7
3	1 July 2027 to 31 December 2027	5.2
4	1 January 2028 to 30 June 2028	4.6
5	1 July 2028 to 31 December 2028	4.1
6	1 January 2029 to 30 June 2029	3.6
7	1 July 2029 to 31 December 2029	3.1
8	1 January 2030 to 30 June 2030	2.6
9	1 July 2030 to 31 December 2030	2.1

3 After regulation 58

Insert:

59 Amendments made by Schedule 1 to the *Renewable Energy Legislation Amendment (2026 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2026*

The amendments of these Regulations made by Schedule 1 to the *Renewable Energy Legislation Amendment (2026 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2026* apply to the creation of certificates in relation to a battery connected (solar PV) small generation unit where the battery for the unit is certified for compliance (as mentioned in paragraph 19D(4)(b)) on or after 1 May 2026.

Schedule 2—Amendments relating to the Cheaper Home Batteries Program

Clean Energy Regulator Regulations 2018

1 Section 4

Insert:

small-scale technology certificate has the same meaning as in the *Renewable Energy (Electricity) Act 2000*.

2 After section 4

Insert:

4A Prescribed functions of the Regulator

For the purposes of paragraph 12(ba) of the Act, a function of the Regulator is purchasing and surrendering, or supporting the Department to purchase and surrender, small-scale technology certificates for the purposes of the program established by the Commonwealth and known as the Cheaper Home Batteries Program.

Schedule 3—Amendments relating to the renewable power percentage and small-scale technology percentage

Renewable Energy (Electricity) Regulations 2001

1 At the end of regulation 23

Add:

; (z) for 2026—16.67%.

2 At the end of regulation 23A

Add:

; (p) for 2026—11.67%.