

## Week commencing 25 April 2016

## Standards Australia NMI Forum 26 April

Ross Jamieson (Sit Gas Controls) and Alan Law (Rheem) attended this Forum on behalf of GAMAA.

During discussions, NMI recommended and supported the use of Australian Legal Units of Measurement where ever possible, but does not prohibit the marking of gas components in non SI units. It was agreed amongst stakeholders that there was an opportunity to progress the proposal and a scope of work to determine the following:

- The components for which the additional units could apply.
- The additional units which will be accepted.
- How the additional units will be converted for example through a conversion table.

For example, it was determined that AS 4627 'Quick-connect devices for gas' and AS 4621 'Regulator for use with liquefied petroleum – vapour phase' would require additional provisions for direction as these documents are used by both trained professionals and uneducated consumers.

Standards Australia (SA) thanked stakeholders for their attendance and contributions. SA will now progress to implement the outcome and direct their technical committees (AG-013 & AG-011) who manage the suite of standards to commence on the agreed scope of work.

AG-0013 has already met to determine how these changes will be implemented. Things are moving quickly!

GAMAA will keep all members informed of progress.

## IAPMO Tier 2 Gas Certification Scheme - ESV Gazette

IAPMO has advised that they have been officially recognised and Gazetted by Energy Safe Victoria under the Gas Tier 2 (T2) Scheme.

IAPMO R&T Oceana Tier 2 certification scheme (T2) facilitates the legal installation of "one-off" appliances, conditional to acceptance by the relevant Technical Regulator, as an alternative to the type-tested GasMark™ Type A Certification Scheme. Refer to the ESV Gazette acceptance.

The scheme's prime attributes include:

- Limitation to one Appliance per Application, even if others of identical or like nature exist, however there is no limit on the number of units assessed and certified; i.e. 10 units of the same model would require 10 separate applications and 10 field tests
- Majorly applicable to commercial catering equipment (i.e. AS 4563) but may include other types of appliance subject to acceptance by the relevant Technical Regulator, &
- Dependent on the environment and complexity of an appliance, laboratory testing may be required.

## The Compliance Badge:

The T2 Compliance Badge is exclusive to IAPMO R&T Oceana and is used to identify the product has met specific safety\*, performance and reliability requirements of selected Standards.

This remains the property of IAPMO R&T Oceana. Due to environmental conditions the longevity of this Badge is questionable and so a Certificate is also issued to authenticate.



<sup>\*</sup>Safety of the certified product is one of our prime objectives, and the Certification process is based on Essential Safety tests derived from Standards, such as those referenced in AS 3645 and criteria from the relevant Technical Regulator. The product design, maintenance, operation and safety are the responsibility of the certificate holder.