

COVID-19 Emergency Response Act 2020 Explosives Act 1999

Explosives Legislation (COVID-19 Emergency Response) Regulation 2020

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Repeal/Expiry Information

This legislation expires on the COVID-19 legislation expiry day—see section 12.

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Part 1 Preliminary

1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Explosives Legislation* (COVID-19 Emergency Response) Regulation 2020.

2 Declaration

It is declared that this regulation is made under the *COVID-19 Emergency Response Act 2020*, sections 8 and 13.

2A Definition

In this regulation—

COVID-19 response period means the period—

- (a) starting on the day this regulation commenced; and
- (b) ending on the COVID-19 legislation expiry day.

Part 2 Modification of Explosives Act 1999

3 Modification of the Explosives Act 1999, s 19 (Term of authority)

(1) This section applies in relation to a fireworks contractor licence or fireworks operator licence (each an *affected licence*) that, but for this section, would have expired during the COVID-19 response period.

- (2) For the COVID-19 response period, the *Explosives Act 1999*, section 19 applies to an affected licence as if section 19(1) of the Act were replaced by—
 - '(1) Despite anything stated in an authority, the term of an authority is the period—
 - (a) starting on the day the authority is issued; and
 - (b) ending on the COVID-19 legislation expiry day.'.

Part 3 Modification of Explosives Regulation 2017

4 Modification of the Explosives Regulation 2017, s 33 (Shotfirer licence)

For the COVID-19 response period, the *Explosives Regulation* 2017, section 33 applies as if section 33(2) of the regulation were replaced by—

- '(2) However, a shotfirer licence authorises the holder of the licence to do a thing mentioned in subsection (1)(a), (c) or (e) only if—
 - (a) the holder has a current competency assessment in relation to the doing of the thing; or
 - (b) for a shotfirer licence that is renewed during the COVID-19 response period—the chief inspector is satisfied, having regard to documentary evidence given to the chief inspector by the holder, the holder has the specific competencies mentioned in subsection (3), definition *current competency assessment*, paragraph (a).

Examples of documentary evidence demonstrating a person has the specific competencies—

- a certificate of completion of an online course stating the person has attained the specific competencies
- a statement from the person's employer that the person has demonstrated the specific competencies'.

5 Modification of the Explosives Regulation 2017, s 37 (Shotfirer licence)

For the COVID-19 response period, the *Explosives Regulation* 2017, section 37 applies as if section 37(1)(c) of the regulation were replaced by—

'(c) either—

- (i) has, within the 5-year period ending on the day the application for the licence is made, been assessed by a registered training organisation as having attained the specific competencies, approved by the chief inspector and published on a Queensland Government website, in the use of blasting explosives contained in an industry training package; or
- (ii) if the person is the applicant for the renewal of the licence—has given the chief executive documentary evidence demonstrating the person has the specific competencies mentioned in subparagraph (i); and

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Part 6 Expiry of regulation

12 Expiry

This regulation expires on the COVID-19 legislation expiry day.