

Queensland

Electrical Safety (Solar Farms) Amendment Regulation 2019

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made under the

Electrical Safety Act 2002

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1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Electrical Safety* (Solar Farms) Amendment Regulation 2019.

2 Commencement

This regulation commences on 13 May 2019.

3 Regulation amended

This regulation amends the *Electrical Safety Regulation 2013*.

4 Insertion of new s 73A

After section 73-

insert—

73A Work involving PV modules at solar farms

- (1) A person must not perform work on a PV module at a solar farm unless—
 - (a) the person is a licensed electrical worker; and
 - (b) the work performed is work that the person would be authorised to perform under the person's electrical work licence if the PV module were electrical equipment, and the following were types of electrical work—
 - (i) locating, mounting or fixing the PV module in a place;
 - (ii) removing the PV module from a place; and
 - (c) the PV module at the solar farm, to the extent the PV module is affected by the work, complies with the wiring rules.

Maximum penalty—40 penalty units.

(2) If a business or undertaking includes the

performance of work on a PV module at a solar farm, a person conducting the business or undertaking must ensure that, in the conduct of the business or undertaking, a person does not perform work in contravention of subsection (1).

Maximum penalty—40 penalty units.

(3) In this section—

PV module means a solar panel—

- (a) comprised of an interconnected assembly of photovoltaic cells; and
- (b) used to generate electricity.

solar farm means a system of PV modules and associated infrastructure—

- (a) used to generate electricity with a total rated capacity of at least 100kW; and
- (b) that is, or will be, operated by a person for the purpose of conducting a business or undertaking.

work, on a PV module—

- (a) means—
 - (i) work on the PV module that would be electrical work if the PV module were electrical equipment; or
 - (ii) locating, mounting or fixing the PV module in a place at a solar farm; or
 - (iii) removing the PV module from a place at a solar farm; and
- (b) does not include moving, packing or unpacking the PV module.

Endnotes

ENDNOTES

- 1 Made by the Governor in Council on 4 April 2019.
- 2 Notified on the Queensland legislation website on 5 April 2019.
- 3 The administering agency is the Department of Education.

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