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# ATTENTION

#### New Requirements for Domestic Cookers

On the 11th February 2016 a new Australian standard for domestic gas cooking appliances was published known as AS/NZS5263.1.1:2016 "Domestic Gas Cooking Appliances". AS/NZS5263.1.1:2016 replaces AS4551:2008 and incorporates an important new safety requirement.

AS/NZS 5263.1.1:2016 (Clause 2.2.3) states that <u>ALL</u> burners on domestic gas cooking appliances must be fitted with a flame safeguard system. This requirement will come into effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017.

To assist Certificate Holders affected by this new requirement, the Gas Technical Regulator's Committee (GTRC) has advised of the following transitional arrangements:

- All domestic cookers manufactured after 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 must have a flame safeguard fitted on all burners and, accordingly, the certification of cookers NOT fitted with flame safeguard on all burners by 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 must be suspended or cancelled.
- These new flame safeguard requirements are NOT being applied retrospectively and, therefore, all certified domestic cookers manufactured prior to 1st July 2017, that are compliant with AS4551:2008, may continue to be sold and installed without restriction. This will enable stock already in the supply chain to be sold after 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017.
- These requirements only apply to the introduction of flame safeguards on domestic cookers. Certification upgrades for other requirements in AS/NZS5263.1.1:2016 will be addressed in the normal way.

If you have a certified cooker that is not fitted with a flame safeguard on all burners, please contact AGA and we will assist you to transition to the new requirements.





## Season's Greetings

From all of us at AGA we wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a safe, happy and prosperous New Year. The AGA Board, management and staff would like to thank you for your continued support and we look forward to working with you in the coming year.

AGA will be closed from 12pm on the 23rd December 2016 and will re-open on the 3rd January 2017.

## Latest Standards Updates

As announced previously, the public comment process for DR AS/NZS 5263.1.4 (Gas appliances, Part 1.4: Radiant gas heaters) was initiated on 16th November 2016 and will be ending on the 18th January 2017. This Standard will replace AS 4565-2004 and AS 4643-2007. Further the public comment process for DR AS 3645 (Essential requirements for gas equipment) was also initiated on 16th November 2016 and will be ending on the 18th January 2017.



If you would like to submit any comments, you may forward them to our Group Manager, Technical Operations, Mr Billy (Vasilios) Tabourlos [btabourlos@aga.asn.au], or directly through the Standards Australia website: https://sapc.standards.org.au/sapc/public/listOpenCommentingPublication.action

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