

## Small business (TAS94) time of use network tariff changes

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### Introduction

Small businesses power Tasmania’s economy, and a reliable supply of electricity powers small business.

There are approximately 38,000 small businesses in all parts of the state that rely on the electricity delivered by our distribution network to energise their operations.

To provide a safe and reliable source of electricity for our customers we build, replace, and maintain the network with enough capacity to meet the highest periods of demand. Peak demand indicates that many customers are using the network at the same time.

When reconsidering our pricing strategy, TasNetworks reviewed the network utilisation of small businesses and identified that our small business time of use windows could be updated to better reflect network demand.

In January 2023, TasNetworks submitted a new 5-year revenue proposal and an amended pricing strategy to the AER. This proposal included our review of the network utilisation of

small businesses and proposed **amendments to the small business time of use consumption (TAS94) network tariff, specifically changes to the time of use charging windows.**

### What is changing on the small business time of use consumption network tariff (TAS94)?

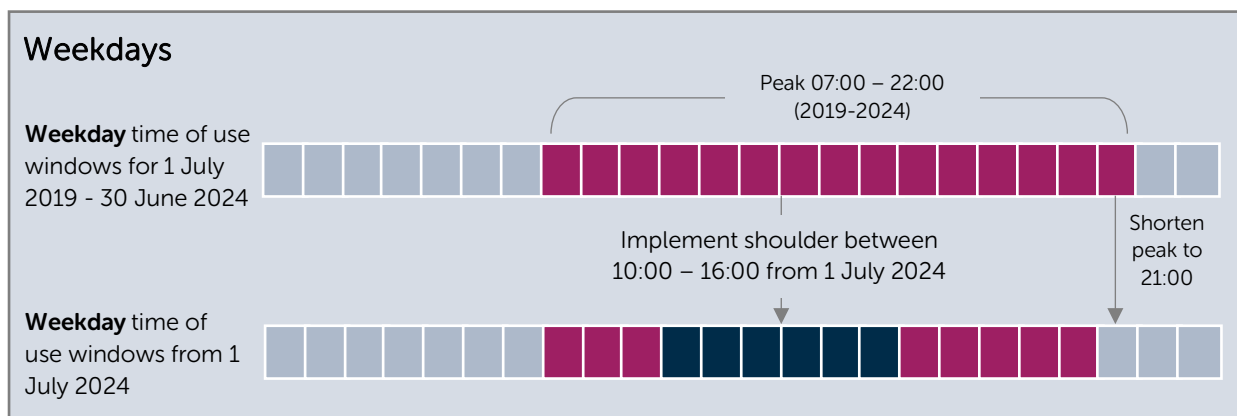
This network tariff is our default offering for small business customers who are connected to the network.

As part of our transition towards more cost-reflective pricing, we are changing our time of use periods as follows:

- On weekdays, the period from 10:00 to 16:00 will change from peak to shoulder.
- The weekday evening peak period will be shortened by one hour to end at 21:00.
- The weekend shoulder period will be removed, so weekends will be fully off-peak.

These changes are summarised in Figure 1:

Figure 1. Changes to the time of use charging periods for the small business time of use consumption network tariff (TAS94)

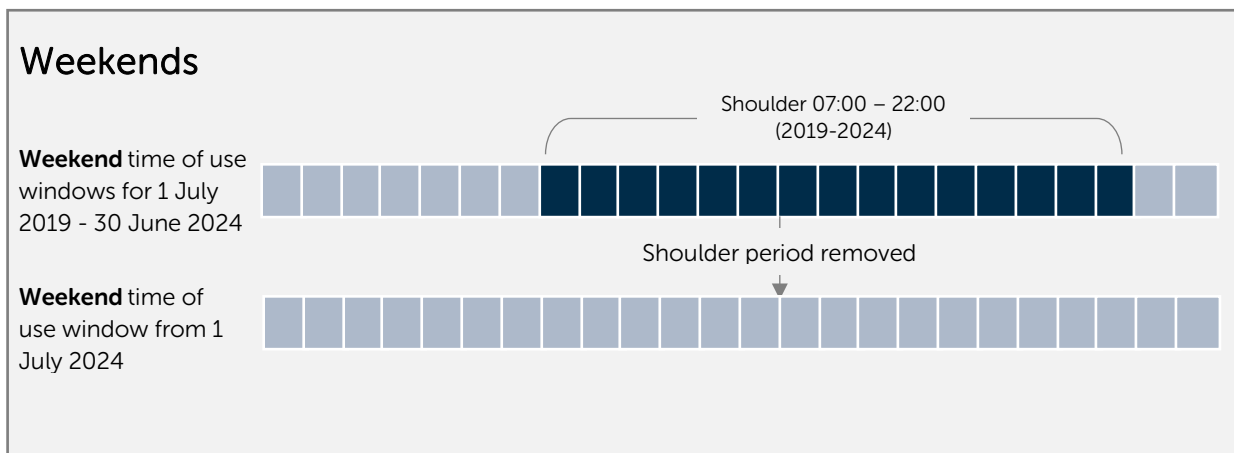


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