

TasNetworks Waiver Register

This register is maintained and made publicly available in accordance with clause 5.7(a) of the Australian Energy Regulator's (AER) Ring Fencing Guideline (Guideline).

The Guideline was effective from 1 December 2016 with a transition period during which Distribution Network Service Providers (DNSPs) were required to implement the necessary controls to ensure compliance with the Guideline. Full compliance was required no later than 1 January 2018. To manage transitional issues, DNSPs were able to seek waivers from certain obligations from the AER.

The table below sets out a register of all waivers granted to TasNetworks, and includes a description of the conduct to which the waiver applies, expiry date and clauses waived.

Date waiver granted and commenced	Waiver title	Applicable services / conduct to which the waiver applies	Clauses waived	Expiry date of waiver	Status	Comments
18 December 2017	Re-classification waiver	The AER granted a waiver of TasNetworks' obligation (of the clauses outlined in the subsequent column) in relation to the following services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High load escorts • Public lighting and nightwatchman lights • Network safety services • Planned interruption – customer requested • Inspection services • Minor and legacy metering services • Network related training courses 	4.2.1 4.2.2 4.2.3 4.2.4 4.4.1(a)	30 June 2019	Expired	The waiver allows for TasNetworks to continue providing services that will be reclassified and become direct control services in the 2019-2024 regulatory control period.
18 December 2017	Legal Separation waiver	The AER granted TasNetworks a waiver to allow TasNetworks additional time to establish an affiliated entity and transfer all contestable services to that entity.	3.1	30 June 2018	Expired	The waiver allowed TasNetworks time to ensure that the necessary due diligence processes, legal and taxation advice and statutory requirements were in place prior to the establishment of the new affiliated entity (42-24).
18 December 2017	Type 1-4 legacy meters	The AER granted TasNetworks a waiver to allow for the provision of type 1-4 metering services for a	4.2.1 4.2.2	1 July 2019	Expired	

		period of 18 months as TasNetworks transitions these meters to the new Metering Provider and can exit the market completely.	4.2.3 4.2.4 4.4.1(a)			
18 December 2017	Metering Support Services	The AER granted TasNetworks a waiver so that it may continue to provide temporary metering support services to Aurora Energy under contract in Tasmania.	4.2.1 4.2.2 4.2.3 4.2.4	31 May 2018	Expired	TasNetworks exited the metering support services market prior to the 31 May 2018.
18 December 2017	Distribution support services on the Bass Strait Islands (BSI)	The AER granted a waiver of TasNetworks' obligations (of the clauses outlined in the subsequent column) so that it may continue to provide operations and maintenance support services to the BSI under a previous existing contract with Hydro Tasmania.	4.2.1 4.2.2 4.2.3 4.2.4 4.4.1(a)	30 June 2018	Expired	
1 July 2019	PAYG Metering Support Services	The AER provided TasNetworks with a waiver that enables TasNetworks to continue to provide fault response support, afterhours product support and bypass or removal (for customers who use life support equipment) of APAYG systems.	4.2.1 4.2.2 4.2.3 4.2.4 4.4.1	30 June 2020	Ongoing	

For further information on the AER's ring-fencing compliance guidelines check out the [Distribution Ring-fencing Guideline](#).

TasNetworks waiver applications can be accessed [here](#) as well as the [AER's waiver approval letter](#).