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FACT SHEET 8

Trainee Refrigerant Handling Licence – What you need to know before applying

A trainee licence allows the holder to handle refrigerant while undertaking training both on or off-the-job. All refrigerant handling activities carried out by the trainee must be supervised by an individual who holds a current Refrigerant Handling Licence (RHL) that entitles the holder to work in the area they are supervising.

Refrigerant handling licence holders who supervise trainee licence holders must ensure that any work carried out by the trainee is in accordance with the standards set out in column 2 of Table 135 of the Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas Management Regulations 1995.

To apply for a trainee handling licence an individual must provide evidence they are undertaking training that leads to a qualification as detailed in the regulations or that they are currently being assessed by a trade recognition body such as Trades Recognition Australia.

A Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Trainee Licence is valid for one year from the date of issue and costs \$20.

Under the Australian Government's Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas Management Regulations 1995 it is an offence of strict liability to handle refrigerant without a Refrigerant Handling Licence.

To make application on-line or for more information about the Regulations go to; www.arctick.org or call the ARC on 1300 884 483.