

Parliamentary Counsel’s Committee

Model Work Health and Safety (Workplace Exposure Limits) Amendment Regulations 2026

made under the

Model Work Health and Safety Act

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1 Short title

These regulations may be cited as the *Model Work Health and Safety (Workplace Exposure Limits) Amendment Regulations 2026*.

2 Commencement

These regulations commence on 1 December 2026.

3 Regulations amended

These regulations amend the *Model Work Health and Safety Regulations*.

4 Amendment of r 5 (Definitions)

- (1) Regulation 5(1), definition *exposure standard*—
omit.
- (2) Regulation 5(1), in alphabetical order—
insert—

exposure limit means an exposure limit in the document called Workplace exposure limits for airborne contaminants published by Safe Work Australia on its website, as in force or remade from time to time.

5 Amendment of r 33 (Specific requirements must be complied with)

Regulation 33, example 1, ‘exposure standard’—
omit, insert—
exposure limit

6 Amendment of r 49 (Ensuring exposure standards for substances and mixtures not exceeded)

- (1) Regulation 49, heading, ‘exposure standards’—

omit, insert—

exposure limits

(2) Regulation 49, ‘exposure standard’—

omit, insert—

exposure limit

7 Amendment of r 50 (Monitoring airborne contaminant levels)

Regulation 50(1), ‘exposure standard’—

omit, insert—

exposure limit

8 Amendment of r 352 (Review of control measures)

Regulation 352(c), ‘exposure standard’—

omit, insert—

exposure limit

9 Amendment of r 420 (Exposure to airborne asbestos at workplace)

Regulation 420(2), ‘exposure standard’—

omit, insert—

exposure limit

10 Amendment of r 454 (Emergency procedure)

Regulation 454(2)(a), ‘to below the exposure standard’—

omit, insert—

below the exposure limit for asbestos

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11 Amendment of r 455 (Emergency procedure—residential premises)

Regulation 455(2), ‘to below the exposure standard’—

omit, insert—

below the exposure limit for asbestos

12 Amendment of r 482 (Air monitoring)

Regulation 482(1) and (2), ‘exposure standard’—

omit, insert—

exposure limit for asbestos

13 Amendment of r 529CA (Identifying processing of CSS that is high risk)

Regulation 529CA(2)(e), ‘workplace exposure standard’—

omit, insert—

exposure limit for respirable crystalline silica

14 Amendment of r 529CE (Monitoring in relation to processing of CSS that is high risk)

Regulation 529CE(b), ‘workplace exposure standard’—

omit, insert—

exposure limit for respirable crystalline silica

15 Amendment of sch 8 (Disclosure of ingredients in safety data sheet)

Schedule 8, clause 3(2)(a)(iv), ‘exposure standard’—

omit, insert—

exposure limit