

Selling Type A gas appliances online

If you sell Type A gas appliances online, you must make sure the appliance can be legally sold in Australia and is safe to use. This applies to both new and second-hand appliances.

Use the information below before you list a Type A gas appliance for sale or hire.

Before listing your appliance for sale or hire

Check whether the appliance is prohibited

You must not list, sell or supply a Type A gas appliance in a state or territory where it is prohibited.

Some Australian jurisdictions prohibit the sale of open-flued space heaters. They may be dangerous in certain conditions, even if they were certified at the time of manufacture.

Before listing an appliance, check the current requirements in the state or territory where it will be sold or supplied. Requirements may change over time.

Open-flued space heater requirements by jurisdiction

State/territory	Open-flued space heaters	State/territory	Open-flued space heaters
Australian Capital Territory	Accepted	South Australia	Prohibited
New South Wales	Accepted	Tasmania	Prohibited
Northern Territory	Accepted	Victoria	Prohibited
Queensland	Accepted	Western Australia	Prohibited

A small number of open-flued space heaters are exempt because they meet newer performance requirements. The GTRC has provided further [guidance on the requirements for open-flued gas space heaters](#).

Confirm the appliance has an Australian compliance plate

Only sell Type A gas appliances that have a compliance plate attached.

The compliance plate shows that the appliance has been accepted for sale and supply in Australia and meets Australian certification requirements.

Check the appliance for:

- a Gas Compliance Mark (GCM) (figure 1).
- the proprietary certification mark of the certifying body (figure 2)

Figure 1 – Gas compliance mark



Figure 2 – Conformity Assessment Body proprietary marks



Note: The IAPMO have recently updated their proprietary mark.

Do not rely on overseas certifications

Only sell appliances that have been certified for sale in Australia.

Overseas certifications (for example, CSA (North America) and CE (Europe) marks) do not demonstrate compliance with Australian certification requirements and are not sufficient for sale in Australia.

Check for product recalls

Screen all appliances against current product recalls by searching the [Product Safety Australia recall database](#) and selecting 'gas' under the product category before listing them for sale.

When searching product recalls, check whether the recall applies to:

- all models
- specific models
- appliances manufactured within a particular date range.

Some recalled appliances may have been repaired or modified by the supplier to address the safety issue. These appliances are known as remediated appliances. A remediated appliance will often have a label or other identifier showing that the required corrective action has been completed.

If you are unsure whether an appliance has been remediated, contact the business named in the recall notice before listing the appliance for sale.

Do not sell modified appliances

Only sell appliances that remain in their certified design.

If an appliance has been modified from its certified design, it is no longer considered accepted and must not be sold or supplied.

Make sure the appliance is safe

Only sell appliances that are safe to use.

It is an offence to knowingly, recklessly or negligently sell, supply, offer for sale, or offer to supply an unsafe gas appliance.

This requirement applies to both new and second-hand appliances.

Check electrical compliance

If the gas appliance uses electricity, it must also meet Australian electrical safety requirements.

Look for the Regulatory Compliance Mark (RCM). The RCM (figure 3) indicates that the electrical equipment has been approved for sale and supply in Australia. You can find [guidance for selling electrical equipment online](#) on the electrical equipment safety system (EESS) website.

Figure 3 – Regulatory Compliance Mark (RCM)



Listing your appliance for sale or hire

Include the following information in your online listing

Once you have confirmed the product is able to be sold, ensure you provide enough information in your listing to help buyers and regulators identify the appliance and confirm its certification status.

Your listing should include:

- gas type
- model number
- brand name
- certificate number or approval number
- a photograph of the appliance showing the gas compliance mark.

These details are found on the attached compliance plate and should match the corresponding field in the [Gas Technical Regulators Committee \(GTRC\) database](#). These details enable Gas Technical Regulators and consumers to easily determine if a Type A appliance is certified.

Providing complete and accurate information helps demonstrate that the appliance complies with Australian requirements.

Figure 4 - Example of an items description on the GTRC database

Item specifics			
Condition	Brand New: A brand-new, unused, unopened, undamaged item in its original packaging (where packaging ... Read more	Bulky Item	S12
Item Height	38	Item Length	65
Item Width	51	Manufacturer Warranty	1 Year
Weight (g)	12500	EAN	9350062160480
Brand	Grillz	Type	Not Specified
Griddle Material	Stainless Steel	Model	PGB-2B-SS
MPN	PGB-2B-SS	Features	Built in Thermometer, Portable, Foldable, Freestanding
Material	Stainless Steel	Colour	Silver
Fuel Type	Natural Gas		

Figure 5 – An example photograph showing the gas compliance mark and the CABs proprietary mark



Non-compliant listings

Authorities may request marketplaces remove listings where they have:

- Identified the appliance is prohibited
- Identified the appliance is uncertified

Non-compliance, including relisting without addressing identified concerns or continued non-compliance, may result in enforcement action being taken against the seller or supplier, including the issuing of infringements or prosecution.

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