



**GAS APPLIANCES
TECHNICAL GUIDANCE BULLETIN**

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Product Type: Domestic outdoor gas cooking appliances
Relevant Standard(s): AS 5263.1.7 2020 *Gas appliances, Part 1.7: Domestic outdoor gas cooking appliances*
Relevant Clause(s): Clause 2.4.102 – Protection of hose assembly inlet connection
Subject: Alternative compliance option for protection of hose assembly

Guidance to be provided:

Modified Requirements

Clause 2.4.102 to be modified as follows:

2.4.102 Protection of ~~hose assembly~~ inlet connection

When a hose assembly is fitted to enable direct connection to an LP Gas cylinder, means shall be provided ~~to either~~ prevent the gas inlet connection from coming into contact with the ground ~~or protect it~~ when ~~it is~~ not connected to an LP Gas Cylinder.

NOTE: Limiting the length of the hose assembly is an example of achieving conformance to this requirement.

Reason: Requirements were introduced into AS/NZS5263.1.7 to ensure that the end of the hose assembly is protected from dragging on the ground, particularly with wheel trolley designs. The changes introduced will enable alternative compliance options for appliances where it is not practicable to prevent contact of the hose assembly with the ground (e.g. table top barbecues).

Action(s): Conformity assessment bodies are to be aware of alternative compliance options detailed above when assessing outdoor cooking products for certification.

Transition: For all new applications for certification made after the date of this bulletin, this bulletin must be adhered to immediately.

Proposed Revision(s) to Standard(s):

The above requirements is to be considered in the next update of AS/NZS5263.1.7, at which time the requirements of the standard will apply and will supersede this bulletin.

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