

Regulations

1 Title

These regulations are the Health and Safety in Employment (Pipelines) Amendment Regulations 2023.

2 Commencement

These regulations come into force on 22 June 2023.

3 Principal regulations

These regulations amend the Health and Safety in Employment (Pipelines) Regulations 1999.

4 Regulation 2 amended (Interpretation)

- (1) In regulation 2, definition of **pipeline operation**, after “maintenance,” insert “suspension,”.
- (2) In regulation 2, insert in its appropriate alphabetical order:

safe work instrument means a safe work instrument approved under section 227 of the Act

5 Regulation 8 amended (Design, construction, operation, maintenance, suspension, and abandonment standards)

- (1) In regulation 8(1), replace “parts of—” with “parts of a relevant safe work instrument.”.
- (2) Revoke regulation 8(1)(a) to (d).
- (3) In regulation 8(2), replace “If the documents referred to in subclause (1) are not applicable” with “If the safe work instrument referred to in subclause (1) is not applicable”.

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Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations, which come into force on 22 June 2023, amend the Health and Safety in Employment (Pipelines) Regulations 1999 (**principal regulations**). These regulations are made under the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015, and clause 2 of Schedule 1 of that Act authorises the amendment of the principal regulations (which were made under the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992).

Regulation 4 amends the definition of pipeline operation in regulation 2 of the principal regulations by inserting a reference to the suspension of a pipeline. It also inserts a definition of safe work instrument (to support the amendments made by *regulation 5*).

Regulation 5 amends regulation 8 of the principal regulations by replacing the list of standards set out in current regulation 8(1)(a) to (d) with a reference to a safe work instrument. Safe work instruments are approved under section 227 of the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015.

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