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**THE ELECTRICAL SUPPLY REGULATIONS 1935,  
AMENDMENT NO. 9**

C. W. M. NORRIE, Governor-General  
ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 27th day of July 1955

Present:  
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Public Works Act 1928, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

**REGULATIONS**

1. These regulations may be cited as the Electrical Supply Regulations 1935, Amendment No. 9, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Electrical Supply Regulations 1935\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

2. (1) Regulation 23–11 of the principal regulations, as amended by regulation 4 of the Electrical Supply Regulations 1935, Amendment No. 6, is hereby further amended by omitting paragraph (a) of subclause (1), and substituting the following paragraph:

“(a) Every accident to any person within the meaning of subclause (1A) of this regulation which is caused by any electric line, electrical apparatus, or electrical equipment forming part of the licensee’s plant:”.

(2) The said regulation 23–11 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by omitting paragraph (c) of subclause (1), and substituting the following paragraph:

“(c) Every fire, or accident to any person within the meaning of subclause (1A) of this regulation, which occurs on a consumer’s premises due to electrical causes:”.

\**Gazette*, 6 September 1935, Vol. III, p. 2496.  
Amended: *Gazette*, 13 February 1936, Vol. I, p. 266.  
Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1938/2.  
Amendment No. 3: S.R. 1942/237.  
Amendment No. 4: S.R. 1942/238.  
Amendment No. 5: S.R. 1943/160.  
Amendment No. 6: S.R. 1945/124.  
Amendment No. 7: S.R. 1948/151.  
Amendment No. 8: S.R. 1950/134.

(3) The said regulation 23-11 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by inserting, after subclause (1), the following sub-clause:

“(1A) For the purposes of paragraphs (a) and (c) of subclause (1) of this regulation, the expression “accident to any person” means an accident which results in the death of any person, or in injury to any person necessitating first aid, resuscitation, or other medical treatment of that person.”

3. (1) The principal regulations are hereby amended by inserting, after regulation 34-23, the following regulation:

“34-24. (1) The licensee shall issue a copy of approved safety rules to every person undertaking work on the licensee’s behalf on or near any live electric line or apparatus where practical knowledge or experience is required to avoid danger. Every such person shall observe those rules.”

(2) This regulation shall come into force on the 1st day of October 1955.

4. (1) The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulation 34-31, and substituting the following regulation:

“34-31. (1) No person except an authorized and competent person shall undertake any work on any electric line or apparatus which is alive or is liable to become alive where practical knowledge or experience is required in order adequately to avoid danger.

“(2) For the purposes of this regulation, a person shall not be deemed to be a competent person with respect to any class of work, unless—

“(a) He has either been engaged in that class of work in the service of a licensee before the coming into force of this regulation and is in the opinion of the licensee on whose line or apparatus the work is to be done competent to do the work safely, or has received tuition in safe working practices in that class of work through a training system set up by a licensee either alone or together with one or more other licensees or by the State Hydro-electric Department, which training system shall include instruction in first aid and resuscitation; and

“(b) He has within the last twelve months attended a refresher course conducted by a licensee in safety precautions, and has within the last six months attended a refresher course conducted by a licensee in resuscitation, particulars of which courses, including the name of the person concerned and the dates of the respective courses, have been entered in a register kept by the licensee.”

(2) This regulation shall come into force on the 1st day of January 1956.

5. (1) The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulation 34-32, and substituting the following regulation:

“34-32. No person shall work on any live high pressure or extra high pressure conductor or apparatus unless accompanied by a person competent to assist him, except when authorized to do so by approved safety rules or to ensure safety in an emergency.”

(2) This regulation shall come into force on the 1st day of October 1955.

6. (1) Regulation 71-03 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by inserting in subclause (2), after the figures "34-23", the figures "34-24".

(2) This regulation shall come into force on the 1st day of October 1955.

T. J. SHERRARD,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

Regulation 2 makes it more clear which electrical accidents to persons are required to be notified to the State Hydro-electric Department.

Regulation 3 requires each electrical supply authority, as from 1 October 1955, to issue to every person working on its electric lines, or on apparatus where there may be danger, a copy of safety rules approved by the State Hydro-electric Department. The persons to whom the rules must be issued are required to observe them. The provisions set out in this regulation are, by regulation 6, added to those with which licensees must comply.

Regulations 4 and 5 make further provisions for safety precautions in connection with work on electric lines and apparatus.

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These regulations are administered in the State Hydro-electric Department.