



PIRB INDUSTRY NOTICE: 1-2018

Date: 31st January 2018

Attention: All PIRB Registered Plumbers

RE: AMENDMENTS TO MANDATORY SANS 10254

In the interest of proactively working and promoting plumbing practices that, protect the health and safety and wellbeing of the South African community; the integrity of the South African water supply and wastewater systems and the South African Plumber. I am pleased to announce the anticipated amendments and additions of the mandatory *South African National Standards 10254: The installation, maintenance, replacement and repair of fixed electric storage water heating systems, has been published.*

As of December 2017, SANS 10254: 2017 Edition 4.1, has been published and must be complied with, with immediate effect, when all electrical storage water heating systems (i.e. geysers) are being - installed, maintained, replaced and or repaired.

As with SANS 10106: Solar and SANS 1352 Heat Pumps, I would like to draw your attention to clause 4.1.1.4 of the amendment to the SANS 10254 standard;

SANS 10254:2017

Edition 4.1

4.1.1.3 The installation of storage water heaters shall comply with the relevant national legislation (see foreword).

4.1.1.4 On completion of the installation, a certificate of compliance from the professional body for plumbers registered in terms of the relevant national legislation, shall be issued to the owner of the installation or to the body requiring such a certificate.

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So, what does this mean?

Not only is this a milestone for us as Plumbers and the South African plumbing industry, but it further entrenches the important role that a qualified plumber plays. As a professional expert and a Licensed Qualified Plumber, you are now required to issue a PIRB Certificate of Compliance, on ALL geyser installations/repairs that are undertaken by yourself or under your adequate supervision.

In collaboration with the Institute of Plumbing of South Africa (IOPSA) the PIRB will over the coming weeks be bringing you further details regarding the amendments/additions and be engaging with all relevant stakeholders. So, watch this space.

In closing, I would like to again stress the important role that we as Plumbers play within the built environment, and the importance of knowing and applying the respective standards, regulations and legislations. I would again urge you to give this your full attention as going forward there will be no compromise from the PIRB, so as to, protect the professionalism of the South African Plumbing sector and those who truly wishing to work in it.

Yours Sincerely,

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