



Obtaining a Class G Gasfitting Permit

Fact Sheet

Requirement to hold a licence

In Western Australia, the Gas Standards (Gasfitting and Consumer Gas Installations) Regulations 1999 provide that gasfitting work may only be carried out by persons with the appropriate gasfitting licence, as issued by the Director of Energy Safety.

Scope of Class G gasfitting work

The Regulations refer to gasfitting work as an operation, work or process in connection with the installation, removal, demolition, replacement, alteration, maintenance or repair of a gas installation.

There are some exceptions for the replacement of LP Gas cylinders and automotive applications.

Class G gasfitting is the installation and servicing work on a consumers' gas installation comprising Type A appliances and piping systems operating up to 200 kPa. A Class G Permit is required for the installation and servicing work associated with:

- domestic premises
- small commercial premises
- caravans
- marine craft

Eligibility requirements to apply for a permit

To apply for a Class G Permit, a person will need to demonstrate that they have:

- adequate theoretical and practical knowledge;
- adequate skills to carry out the gasfitting;
- adequate knowledge of the controlling legislation; and
- is otherwise a fit and proper person to carry out the gasfitting.

This can be demonstrated by providing certificates of training recognised by EnergySafety that cover the scope of work for which the person is applying.

To obtain a Class G gasfitting permit refer to the following application forms:

WA indentured apprentices (Plumbing and Gasfitting) - *Application for a Class G gasfitting permit for apprentices restricted to work under supervision.*

WA trade qualified (Plumbing and Gasfitting) - *Application for a Class G gasfitting permit on completion of a recognised apprenticeship for a Permit to carry out Installing of NG and LP Gas.*

Also use this application when the Unit of Competence for '**Service Type A gas appliances**' has been completed during the apprenticeship.

Non trade qualified or overseas qualified gas fitters (permit to work under supervision) - *Application for a restricted Class G gasfitting permit for non gasfitting trade trained or overseas gas fitter to work under supervision.*

A permit restricted to work under supervision can be issued so that work can be undertaken while completing training and/or assessment.

Non trade qualified or overseas qualified gas fitters that meet WA licensing requirements - *Application for a Class G gasfitting permit for non-gasfitting trade trained or overseas gas fitter.*

Upgrading an Installing Permit to include servicing - *Application to upgrade to a Class G installing and servicing NG and LPG gasfitting permit.*

Use the above application after completing successfully the 'Service Type A gas appliances' training and upgrading to a Class G 'Installing and Servicing NG & LPG' gasfitting Permit.

Supervision

Strict conditions apply to apprentices and gas fitters working under supervision. They must:

- only work under supervision of a registered gas fitter licensed to carry out the gasfitting work;
- not submit Notices of Completion, affix compliance badges or fix service stickers (the supervising gas fitter must carry out this function); and
- only carry out gasfitting work for which they and their supervisor are licensed.

Apprentices and trainees must always be under the supervision of a registered gas fitter while they are carrying out gasfitting work. However, it is not a requirement that the supervising gas fitter nominated on the application form be the gas fitter providing the supervision.

The level of supervision required will depend on the competence of the apprentice or trainee.

If a person does not apply for a permit on completion of training or the permit has expired

Where a person did not apply for a permit on completion of training or the permit has expired:

- Within 2 years - a permit can be issued on receipt of the application.
- Between 2 and 5 years – the person is required to complete successfully a theory assessment on the Gas Standards Legislation and the AS/NZS 5601 Gas Installation.
- More than 5 years – the person is required to complete successfully a theory and practical assessment on the Gas Standards Legislation and theory and practical assessment through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) or undertake training for the Certificate III in Gasfitting.

What is the penalty for working without a permit?

A person who carries out gasfitting work without an appropriate permit is liable for prosecution and a fine under the *Gas Standards Act 1972* and associated regulations.

Registered Training Organisations

Registered Training Organisations	Providing	Telephone
MPA Skills, Maylands	Installing and Servicing	9471 6600
Polytechnic West, Balga Campus	Installing only	9207 4336
Durack Institute of Technology, Geraldton	Installing only	9956 2700
South West Institute of Technology, Bunbury	Installing and Servicing	9780 7070
Great Southern Institute of Technology, Albany	Installing and Servicing	9892 8888

Where do I send my application?

Postal Address:	EnergySafety Licensing Office Locked Bag 14 Cloisters Square WA 6850	In person:	EnergySafety 303 Sevenoaks Street (entrance Grose Avenue) Cannington WA 6107 Office Hours: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Mon to Fri
-----------------	---	------------	---