

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT 1989

NATIONAL MODEL REGULATIONS FOR THE CONTROL OF WORKPLACE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES [NOHSC:1005(1994)] AND NATIONAL CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE CONTROL OF WORKPLACE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES [NOHSC:2007(1994)], NATIONAL CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE LABELLING OF WORKPLACE SUBSTANCES [NOHSC:2012(1994)] AND NATIONAL CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE PREPARATION OF MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS [NOHSC:2011(1994)]

NO. 31 OF 1995

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 87(1) of the ACT *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989* provides that the Minister can approve codes of practice for the purpose of providing practical guidance to employers, self-employed persons and employees.

This Instrument is written pursuant to Section 87 of the Act.

These National Codes of Practice form part of the Workplace Hazardous Substances package. They have been referred to the ACT Occupational Health and Safety Council in accordance with Section 87(2) of the ACT *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989*. The ACT Occupational Health and Safety Council has recommended the adoption of these Codes for application in the Australian Capital Territory.

The provisions of the workplace hazardous substances package apply to all workplaces where hazardous substances are used or produced and to all persons with potential exposure to hazardous substances in the workplace. They set out the information requirements in relation to the use of workplace hazardous substances and specify the hazard assessment and risk control procedures to be used for workplace hazardous substances.

Hazardous substances are defined as chemicals or mixtures of chemicals that are included on the List of Designated Hazardous Substances or meet the Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances.

Dated this

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