

IMPORTING GAS BARBECUES WARNING

All gas appliances in Australia, whether manufactured locally or imported must comply with gas safety regulations administered by the various government regulatory authorities.

South Australia	Office of the Technical Regulator, Department of Transport, Energy and Infrastructure, SA
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Queensland	Petroleum and Gas Inspectorate, Safety and Health Department of Employment, QLD
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Victoria	Energy Safe Victoria, VIC
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NSW	Energy & Utilities Unit, Home Building Services, Department of Services, Technology & Administration, NSW
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ACT	Utilities Technical Regulation, ACT
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Western Australia	Energy Safety Division, Department of Commerce, WA
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Tasmania	Workplace Standards Tasmania, Department of Justice, TAS
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In Australia it is illegal for a business or person to sell, or offer for sale, gas appliances such as domestic barbecues without specific jurisdictional approval of the regulatory authorities. This is achieved by issuance of a "Certificate of Compliance" with the requirements of the applicable Australian Standards.

The State and Territory regulatory authorities require the recognised "Conformity Assessment Bodies" (CABs) to conduct post-certification production surveillance to provide ongoing assurance that the product being supplied to market is identical to the sample originally assessed, the design of which was certified to comply with safety requirements.

The growing popularity of internet and web-based sales has provided consumers with a new-found opportunity to purchase many consumer items from overseas. Usually consumer imported gas appliances (including Weber) are not compliant and therefore fail to meet Australian gas safety requirements and regulations. They may not be safe to operate in Australia and therefore may jeopardise public safety. For this and other reasons all imported BBQs that do not comply with Australian Standard 4557 or Australian Standard 2658 should not be sold or used in Australia.

In Australia a compliance plate is attached to each barbecue that has been approved for use. It is evidence that the appliance has met the relevant Australian Standards. Barbecues without an Australian compliance plate should not be used. Use of such non compliant barbecues may have serious insurance and public liability ramifications.

Only an approved CAB is able to certify a gas appliance and issue a compliance plate. Weber is not an approved CAB and therefore is regrettably unable to service, warranty or modify imported barbecues that are non compliant.