



# **ADVISORY NOTICE BUILDING**

**05/08**

*Advisory Notices are issued to assist in the interpretation of the Development Act 1993*

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## **TECHNICAL:**

### **Development Regulations 1993**

## **Adoption of Minister's Specification SA 76A Fire Safety Requirements in Caravan Parks and Residential Parks 2007**

The purpose of this Advisory Notice is to advise that Minister's Specification SA 76A Fire Safety Requirements in Caravan Parks and Residential Parks 1995 has been repealed and replaced with Minister's Specification SA 76A Fire Safety Requirements in Caravan Parks and Residential Parks as published in December 2007, as gazetted on 13 December 2007. This notice provides a general overview of the changes, which include editorial, definition and technical changes.

### **BACKGROUND**

Minister's Specification SA 76A Fire Safety Requirements in Caravan Parks and Residential Parks was developed in conjunction with industry in 1995 to achieve a minimum level of fire safety in caravan parks and residential parks. Amendment 1 was made to the Specification in 1999 to allow the use of smoke alarms powered by non-removable, 10 year life lithium batteries (in lieu of hard wired smoke alarms) in cabins and caravans located within a park for more than 90 consecutive days.

The Residential Parks Act 2007, which came into effect on 5 November 2007, applies where people reside in residential parks for a fixed term of 60 days or longer. The adoption of Minister's Specification SA 76A Fire Safety Requirements in Caravan Parks and Residential Parks 2007, aligns the definition of "permanent residential accommodation" with that of the Residential Parks Act 2007 by amending the length of stay from 90 consecutive days to 60 consecutive days.

### **SUMMARY OF CHANGES**

The following summarises changes to the Specification that have a significant effect on the way a dwelling is designed and constructed.

- The definition of *permanent residential accommodation* has been amended.
- Section 9, *Clause 9.1 Maintenance requirements* has been amended to prescribe that essential safety provisions and equipment installed in caravan parks and residential parks must be maintained as prescribed in *Clause SA 11.1 Safety Installations* of the South Australian Appendix to Volume One of the *Building Code of Australia*.
- Editorial corrections for clarity.



Minister's Specification SA 76A is available online from [www.planning.sa.gov.au/go/ministers-specifications](http://www.planning.sa.gov.au/go/ministers-specifications) for your reference. Hard copies of the Minister's Specification can be obtained from the Building Policy Branch. This Specification should be read in conjunction with Regulation 76A of the Development Regulations 1993.



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