



# Changes to the National Occupational Licensing System (NOLS)

## New “Electrical Fitter” License

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# Background

- Remove licensing inconsistencies across Australia and provide more mobile workforce.
- Single national licence.
- Reduce red tape, improve business efficiency and competitiveness and productivity of national economy.
- Initially four occupational areas will be covered:
  - Electrical
  - Plumbing & Gas Fitting
  - Refrigeration & Air Conditioning
  - Property

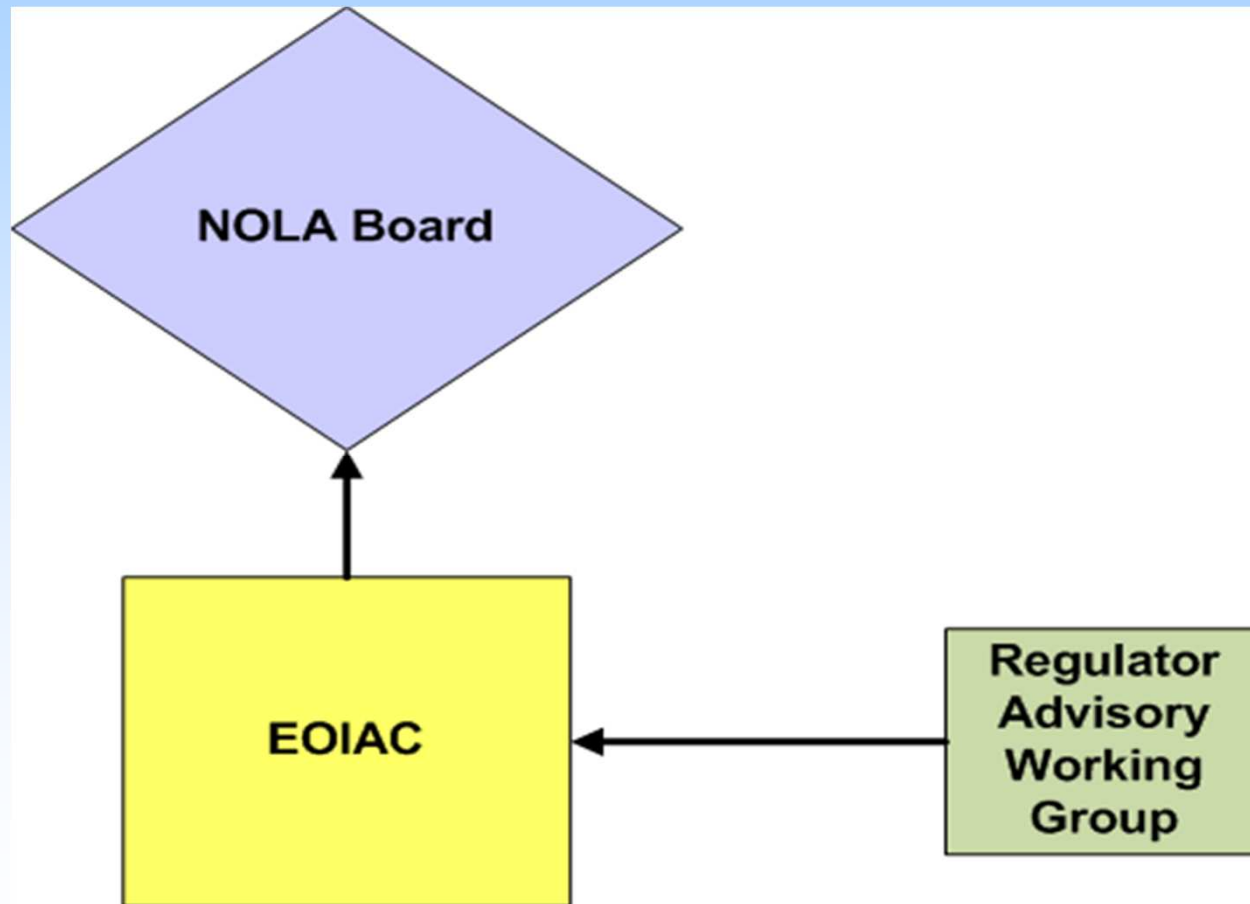


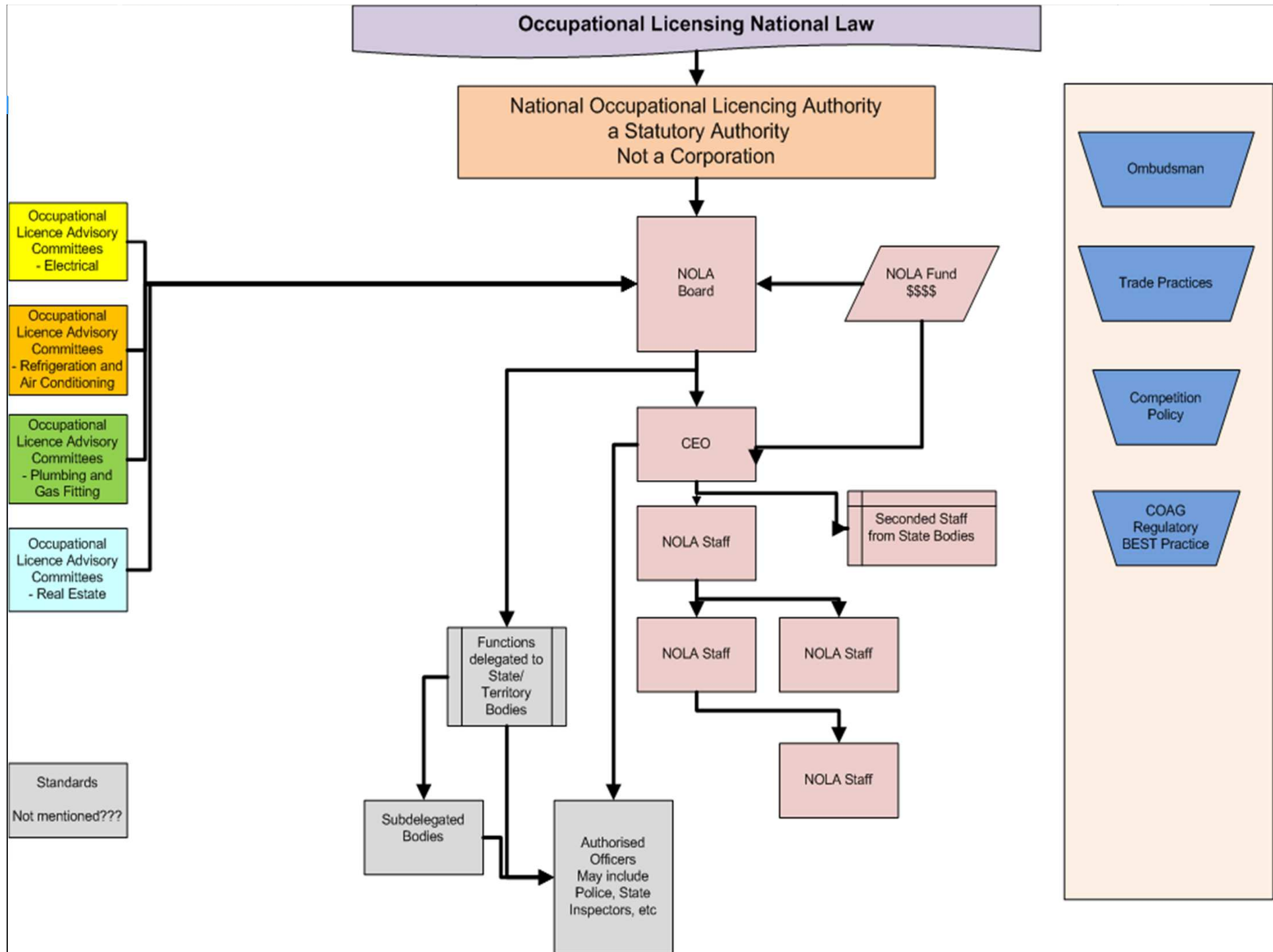
## Interim Advisory Committee's (IACs)

- IACs have been established to provide policy advice to the COAG National Licensing Committee in each occupational area.
- EE-Oz is member of the Electrical Occupational IAC (EOIAC) comprising the following representative organisations:
  - CEPU
  - ACTU
  - NECA
  - ECA Q
  - ERAC
  - Consumers' Federation
  - AIG
  - ENA
  - ISC
  - Australian Government
- EOIAC has developed a series of proposals in relation to:
  - Licence categories, scopes of work and licence types
  - Eligibility requirements, both skill based and non-skill based.



# Advisory Structure



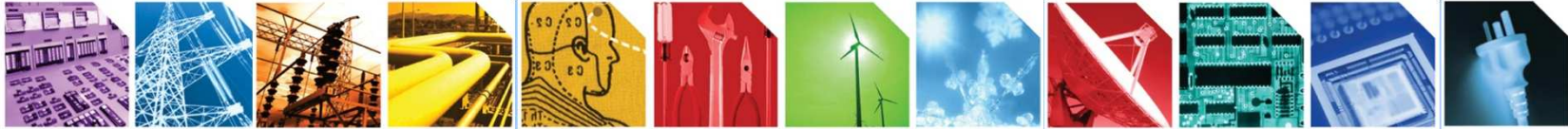




# Key Dates

Date	Activity
1 Jan 2011	Establishment of the National Occupational Licensing Authority
Second half 2011	Draft regulations and Consultation Regulation Impact Statement released for public comment
End 2011	Ministerial Council for Federal Financial Regulations to consider finalised regulations and Decision Regulation Impact Statement
Early-Mid 2012	Regulations to be adopted in all jurisdictions
1 July 2012	Commencement of the National Occupational Licensing System for the first four occupational areas.





# Electrical Fitter Qualification

## CIII Electrical Fitter Qualification

**Core**

**CIII in Electrical Fitter**

### Electives

**Hazardous Areas**

**Industrial Control**

**Machine Repairs**

**Switchgear and  
Control Gear**

**Instrumentation  
and Control**

**Appliance  
Repair**



# Scope of Work

## Electrical Fitter:

Perform prescribed electrical fitting work but is not authorised to contract for work.

**Electrical fitting work** means manufacturing, fitting, assembling, erecting, operating, testing, fault finding, altering, repairing of electrical equipment and includes electrical wiring work only if that work is associated with assembling, maintaining, terminating or altering the wiring between electrical components within a plant or machinery. An electrical fitter is not authorised to install any electrical wiring systems within an electrical installation as prescribed by definitions contained in AS/NZS 3000.

**Electrical equipment** means any appliance, article, accessory, wire, fitting, cable, conduit or apparatus that generates, uses, conveys or controls (or that is intended to generate, use, convey or control) electricity above extra low voltage. Extra low voltage means as defined in AS/NZS 3000 "Electrical installation" (commonly known as the "wiring rules").





# Scope of Work

## Electrician:

Perform any prescribed electrical work unsupervised but is not authorised to contract for work.

**Electrical work** means selecting, assembling, designing, constructing, installing, testing, verifying, fault-finding, commissioning, maintaining, repairing, altering or replacing of electrical equipment and/or electrical installations.

**Electrical equipment** means any appliance, article, accessory, wire, fitting, cable, conduit or apparatus that generates, uses, conveys or controls (or that is intended to generate, use, convey or control) electricity above extra low voltage.

Extra low voltage means as defined in AS/NZS 3000 Electrical installation (commonly known as the “wiring rules”).



# Issues

Text taken from Communiqué #4 on progress:

“Note that where the licensing structure proposed for the national licensing system includes subgroups not currently regulated in a particular jurisdiction (for example, electrical fitters), the principles of the Intergovernmental Agreement for a National Licensing System for Specified Occupations state that jurisdictions will not be required to extend its licensing to cover that subgroup.”



# Thank you

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