Battery Safety Compliance

Guide 2022







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"Laws have changed surrounding the sale of both Coin Batteries & Products containing Coin Batteries. Please use this guide & the Links within to ensure your Business does not face significant financial penalties"

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Summary

- On the 21st December 2020, the ACCC's Coin Battery Safety & Information Standards was turned into law.
- The purpose of this new law is to reduce the risk of coin batteries causing injury & death to children.
- This new law applies to consumer products that contain coin batteries.
- This new law applies to businesses & individuals who sell consumer goods that contain coin batteries.
- This new law comes into force on the 22nd June 2022.
- Businesses or individuals that sell consumer goods containing coin batteries after the 22nd June 2022, that do not comply with these new laws may face significant financial penalties.

Compliance Categories



Battery Warning & Information:
 Warnings & information are required
 on the packaging of consumer goods
 containing coin batteries.



Battery Security:

All consumer goods that contain a coin battery after the *22nd June 2022*, will have to be Certified Compliance Tested to be sold in Australia.





Battery Warning & Information

Remote Packaging

- All remotes containing a coin battery are now supplied by SIEPER Group in coin battery Warning & Information Compliant Packaging.
- This new packaging has been designed to assist you to comply with Warning & Information requirements in the Coin Battery Standards 2020 Law.
- The two new variations of packaging include an Individual card for each Garage & Gate remote and a Universal card for the sale of Automotive remotes. Both include:
 - Battery Warning & Information printed on front of card
 - Warning icons on compatible battery
 - Battery Warning & Information sticker on back of packaging.

What you need to know / do

 This packaging must be provided to your customer on completion of sale.
 Ideally, your complete programmed remote should be supplied inside this packaging.





Additional Warning Information

Additional Warnings, Emergency information &
 Battery Disposal information can be sourced from our
 websites on any one of our products that contain a
 coin battery.

What you need to know / do....

 For customers selling our products on on-line platforms, please be advised that these warnings should also be present on your listings.



Battery Security

BSC (Battery Safety Compliant)

- Remotes & Coin Batteries that carry the BSC logo have been confirmed compliant to the new Coin Battery Laws.
- The BSC Logo can be seen in the product image on our Website & is also referenced in the Product Specification
- Declaration of Compliance documents are available on all BSC Products.
- BSC Remotes have either been tested in Australia by independent third-party NATA accredited testing laboratories or confirmed compliant by the original supplier/manufacturer.

What you need to know / do.....

- As of the 22nd June 2022, all impacted products on our websites are compliant to the new Coin Battery laws.
- Please ensure that all Non-Compliant or unknown status products are not sold from the 22nd June 2022.
- Check with your suppliers if you have any queries on your current products or future purchases.
- Check with your suppliers that accredited laboratories were used for their compliance testing.



BATTERY SAFETY COMPLIANT









Coin/Button Batteries

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- This new law applies to Coin/Button Batteries
- This new law applies to businesses & individuals that sell consumer goods that contain coin batteries.
- This new law comes into force on the 22nd June 2022.
- Businesses or individuals that sell Coin /
 Button batteries after the 22nd June 2022,
 that do not comply with these new laws will
 face significant financial penalties.

Sales of Batteries

- All Coin Batteries sold by SIEPER Group are now confirmed Battery Safety Compliant.
- Both Strip packaged & Hang Sell packaged Coin Batteries are now sold with new compliant packaging and have the required warnings on both the packaging & the battery (as per example images).
- Make sure all your coin batteries are in confirmed Battery Safety Compliant packaging by 22nd June 2022.



- Battery Warning & Information:
 Warnings & Information are required
 on the packaging of consumer goods
 containing coin batteries.
- Packaging Security:
 All coin battery packaging sold after the 22nd June 2022, will have to be Compliance Tested to be sold in Australia.

What you need to know / do.....

- Please ensure that all Non-Compliant or unknown status Coin Batteries are not sold from 22nd June 2022.
- Check with your suppliers if you have any queries on your current products or future purchases.
- Never supply batteries loose or out of packaging.

FAQ

- Can i still change the battery in an existing product that contains a Coin Battery?
- Yes, There are no issues with changing batteries on existing products.
- Some products don't have the BSC logo on your website are they ok to sell?
- Yes, from 22nd June 2022, all products on our websites are compliant, some will not carry the BSC logo as they may not contain a coin battery.
- I have imported goods that contain coin batteries & no records to indicate it has been compliance tested, can I sell these?
- No, You would be in breach of these new laws as you have to show evidence of compliance testing. Failure to provide these will result in large fines.
- Can i just superglue the battery cartridge so the battery cannot be accessed?
- No, you still need to have a valid compliance test report for the product. The required set of tests is designed to test the overall structural integrity of the battery compartment. One test involves the insertion & removal of the battery multiple times (superglue would not assist with this)
- What are the fines for Non-Compliance?
- \$500,000 for any individual & \$10,000,000 for an organisation.
- I have been offered compliance test reports from overseas suppliers are these ok to use?
- Unfortunately, With the demand for Compliance test reports some overseas suppliers may offer you a "perfect" report for the products you import. Some evidence has come to our attention that these tests are either from non-accredited laboratories or completely fake. Anyone found with these "fake" reports would be most likely accountable for extra charges in addition to the non-compliance fines.



Official ACCC Links

More Information from ACCC:

For more information from the ACCC please scan to see an official summary of the new standard.





More Information from ACCC:

For more information from the ACCC please scan to see an official business guide of the new standard.



Button/coin battery safety



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