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Australian Government

How to obtain an Automotive Air Conditioning Licence

A Refrigerant Handling Licence (RHL) is required to work on air conditioning equipment in any of the following category of vehicle;

- Passenger car;
- Forward control passenger vehicle;
- Off-road passenger vehicles;
- Registrable commercial vehicles;
- Any off-road vehicle, including tractors and farm machinery fitted with an air conditioning system of a type normally used in the previous category of vehicles;
- Automotive plant and equipment;
- Any other self-propelled vehicle, which has a cabin fitted with a type of air conditioner normally fitted to one of the vehicle types previously listed.

AUR20220/18# Certificate II Automotive Air Conditioning Technology

Note: Individuals who attain AUR20220/18 will be considered eligible to obtain the Automotive Air Conditioning Licence with a 'No Retrofit or Modify' restriction, unless the statement of results shows the successful completion of the following competency unit:

- AURETU105 (previous AURETU005 or AURETU3005) Retrofit and modify air conditioning and HVAC systems.

This Automotive Air Conditioning Licence also excludes: Install air conditioning systems; and Overhaul air conditioning system components. Should an individual require an automotive licence enabling them to install and/or overhaul air conditioning system components, they must also undertake the following units:

- AURETU001 (previous AURETU2001) Install air conditioning systems; and/or
- AURETU007 (previous AURETU4007) Overhaul air conditioning and HVAC system compressors.

AUR20216* (previous AUR20212) Certificate II in Automotive Air Conditioning Technology:

*Note: Individuals who attain AUR20216 will be considered eligible to obtain an Automotive Air Conditioning Licence excluding: Install air conditioning systems; and Overhaul air conditioning system components.

Should an individual require an automotive licence enabling them to install and/or overhaul air conditioning system components, they must also undertake the following units:

- AURETU001 (previous AURETU2001) Install air conditioning systems; and/or
- AURETU007 (previous AURETU4007) Overhaul air conditioning and HVAC system compressors.

Individuals who successfully complete all the required units in AUR20216 except for the following unit, will be considered eligible to obtain the Automotive Air Conditioning Licence with a 'No Retrofit or Modify' restriction:

- AURETU005 (previous AURETU3005) Retrofit and modify air conditioning and HVAC systems.

Individuals who attain any of the following ten (10) qualifications will be considered eligible to obtain an Automotive Air Conditioning Licence on the condition they include the following units:

- AURETU103 (previously AURETU003 or AURETU2003) Service air conditioning and HVAC systems
- AURETU104 (previously AURETU004 or AURETU2004) Diagnose and repair air conditioning and HVAC systems
- AURETU105 (previously AURETU005 or AURETU2005) Retrofit and modify air conditioning and HVAC systems

Individuals who do not complete unit AURETU005 (previous AURETU3005) Retrofit and modify air conditioning and HVAC systems, will be considered eligible to obtain the Automotive Air Conditioning Licence with a 'No Retrofit or Modify' restriction:

This may be in addition to or as a part of these ten (10) qualifications:

- AUR20420 (previous AUR20416 or AUR20412) Certificate II in Automotive Electrical Technology
- AUR21416 (previous AUR21412) Certificate II in Automotive Cooling System Technology
- AUR30320 (previous AUR30316 or AUR30312) Certificate III in Automotive Electrical Technology
- AUR30420 (previous AUR30416 or AUR30412) Certificate III in Agricultural Technology
- AUR30620 (previous AUR30616 or AUR30612) Certificate III in Light Vehicle Mechanical Technology

- AUR31120 (previous AUR31116, AUR31114 or AUR31112) Certificate III in Heavy Commercial Vehicle Mechanical Technology
- AUR31220 (previous AUR31216 or AUR31212) Certificate III in Mobile Plant Technology
- AUR31420 (previous AUR31416 or AUR31412) Certificate III in Automotive Diesel Fuel Technology
- AUR31520 (previous AUR31516 or AUR31512) Certificate III in Automotive Diesel Engine Technology
- AUR31720 (previous AUR31716 or AUR31712) Certificate III in Forklift Technology

Or for one of the Automotive trades listed above achieved prior to AUR05 (2005):

- Successful completion of an Apprenticeship e.g., Proficiency Certificate; or
- Trade Recognition Certificate; or
- Trade Certificate with a Trade Outcome and evidence of automotive industry experience.

AUR20705[^] Certificate II in Automotive – Mechanical – Air Conditioning (superseded):

[^]Note: For AUR20705, if evidence of having completed AURT322645A Overhaul air conditioning system components (or equivalent) or AURT422645A Overhaul air conditioning system components (or equivalent) is not supplied, the licence will be issued restricting the holder to work other than the overhaul of air conditioning system components.

AUR30405 meets requirements for the Automotive licence provided it includes passes in the following units:

- AURT222670A - Service air conditioning systems
- AURT322666A - Repair/retrofit air conditioning systems.

For more information on the qualifications required to obtain an Automotive Air Conditioning Licence visit www.arctick.org or call the Australian Refrigeration Council on 1300 884 483.

AUR20799^{} Certificate II in Automotive – Mechanical – Air Conditioning (superseded):**

^{}Note: For AUR20799, if evidence of having completed: AUR22631A Install air conditioning systems (or equivalent); and/or AUR22645A Overhaul air conditioning system components (or equivalent) is not supplied, the licence will be issued restricting the holder to work other than Install air conditioning systems; and/or and Overhaul air conditioning system components.**

- Assessed to Certificate II standard by Automotive Training Solutions; or
- Assessed to Certificate II standard by Motor Traders Association WA.

If you have completed one of the qualifications that has been superseded and would like further information on whether you are still eligible for an ARCTick licence, please contact the Australian Refrigeration Council on 1300 88 44 83.

Already have the relevant training and experience?

If you believe that you already have the relevant training and experience, but do not hold the required qualification, you may not need to do any further training. Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and Recognition of Current Competency (RCC) is a process for recognising that you have gained skills, knowledge and experience from other courses, academic education, work experience and training on the job. To use RPL or RCC to obtain the required qualification from a registered training organisation (RTO) you must enroll in the relevant course and, having enrolled in the course you may complete it by:

- Applying for partial or full RPL/RCC;
- Completing a program of training;
- A combination of both of the above.

An Automotive Air Conditioning Licence is valid for two or three years from the date of issue. Under the Australian Government's Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas Management Regulations 1995 it is an offence of strict liability to handle refrigerant without a Refrigerant Handling Licence.

