

# Notice of Amendment to Exemption

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In accordance with section 220 of the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 (the Act), exemption SEP2010 granted to Amcor Flexibles (New Zealand) Limited on 10 February 2023 exempting them from regulation 11.36(2) of the Health and Safety at Work (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2017 for the printing hall and laminating hall located within the site at 74 Branston Street, Hornby, Christchurch, is amended as follows:

Conditions 2, 18, 29 and 31 of SEP2010 are replaced with the new conditions 2A, 18A, 29A and 31A respectively. Conditions 2B and 18B are new conditions inserted immediately after conditions 2A and 18A respectively.

Condition 32A is a new condition inserted immediately after condition 32 of SEP2010.

## **New conditions**

Amcor Flexibles (New Zealand) Limited must-

- 2A ensure every wall has a minimum fire resistance rating of 120/120/120 minutes or if an existing wall or section of a wall does not meet this fire resistance rating, upgrade the wall or section of the wall specified in Column 1 of Table 1 to achieve the level of fire protection specified in Column 4 of Table 1.
- 2B for all walls that are upgraded to achieve the specified level of fire protection:
  - (i) implement a 3-monthly inspection regime of the walls for damage;
  - (ii) keep all records relating to the specification, installation and maintenance of the wall systems.
- 18A ensure every wall has a minimum fire resistance rating of 60/60/60 minutes or if an existing wall or section of a wall does not meet this fire resistance rating, upgrade the wall or section of the wall specified in Column 1 of Table 2 to achieve the level of fire protection specified in Column 4 of Table 2.
- 18B for all walls that are upgraded to achieve the specified level of fire protection:
  - (i) implement a 3-monthly inspection regime of the intumescent paint system applied to the walls;
  - (ii) keep all records relating to the specification, installation and maintenance of the intumescent paint system.
- 29A with respect to conditions 2A and 18A, where an existing wall or section of a wall must be upgraded to achieve the specified level of fire protection, complete such work by the latter of 28 February 2027 or a date that is 18 months from the date of this decision.

- 31A within one month of coming into compliance with conditions 2A and 18A, taking into account condition 29A, provide evidence to WorkSafe New Zealand that the walls meet the fire resistance rating required by conditions 2A and 18A.
- 32A provide copies of this Notice of Amendment to Exemption and the records required by conditions 2B(ii) and 18B(ii) to any compliance certifier engaged to issue a location compliance certificate for the printing hall or laminating hall.

In these conditions:

“existing wall” means a wall that was constructed prior to 20 February 2023; and

“existing service penetration” means a service penetration that was in place prior to 20 February 2023.

The nature of the upgrades as given in Column 3 of Tables 1 and 2 is guidance only, and Amcor may apply alternative measures to achieve the minimum fire resistance rating specified in Column 4 of Tables 1 and 2, which are mandatory.

The Cosgroves floor plan, amended by Beca, Sketch No, PF-002, Rev A, 27-03-2024 (Figures 1A and 1B) as referenced in Tables 1 and 2 form part of this Notice of Amendment to Exemption.

This amendment does not alter any other matter of exemption SEP2010. The conditions of exemption SEP2010 as specified in the Notice of Exemption dated 10 February 2023 (other than conditions 2, 18, 29 and 31) are unchanged and remain in force.

This amendment takes effect from the date specified in the *Gazette* notice required by section 221 of the Act, which will be 28 July 2025 and expires on 20 February 2028 unless it is replaced sooner or revoked. This amendment is given the reference SEP2010A.

Signed at Wellington this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2025.



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**Table 1 Fire resistance rating performance requirements for the printing hall**

Wall No <sup>1</sup>	Construction description	Upgrade	Minimum fire resistance rating to be achieved following upgrade
1	Lightweight wall consisting of lining to a stud system, approximately 200 mm thick, situated between steel/concrete structural columns, which take the load of the roof.	Install a non-load bearing wall system to one side of the existing wall, between the column supports, which take the load of the roof.	-/120/120 minutes for the installed non-load bearing wall system between the existing columns 120/120/120 minutes for the existing concrete/steel columns. Existing service penetrations to achieve -/120/- minutes. <sup>2</sup>
2	Concrete construction, tilt panel or similar, approximately 150 – 200 mm thick.  As per NZS 4230:2004 and/or NZS 3101:2006 the concrete can achieve 120 minutes of fire resistance.	No upgrade proposed	120/120/120 minutes.
3	Lightweight wall consisting of lining to a stud system, approximately 150 mm thick.	Install a non-load bearing wall system to one side of the existing wall.	-/120/120 minutes for the installed non-load bearing wall system. Existing service penetrations to achieve a minimum -/120/- minutes.
4	Concrete construction, tilt panel or similar, approximately 150 – 200 mm thick.  As per NZS 4230:2004 and/or NZS 3101:2006 the concrete can achieve a 120 minutes of fire resistance.	No upgrade proposed.	-/120/120 minutes for existing non-load bearing part of wall. 120/120/120 minutes for existing load bearing part of wall. Existing service penetrations to achieve a minimum -/120/- minutes.
5	External wall, lined internally and with non-combustible cladding to the outside.	Upgrade the external cladding using a lightweight fire-rated wall (e.g. Hebel panel system or equivalent).	-/120/120 minutes for the non-load bearing wall system. 120/120/120 minutes for the load bearing part of the wall.
6	Concrete construction, block or similar, approximately 150 – 200 mm thick.  As per NZS 4230:2004 and/or NZS 3101:2006, the concrete can achieve a 120 minutes of fire resistance.	No upgrade proposed.	120/120/120 minutes.
7	External wall, lined internally and with non-combustible cladding to the outside.	Upgrade the external cladding using a lightweight fire-rated wall (e.g. Hebel panel system or equivalent).	-/120/120 minutes for the non-load bearing wall system. 120/120/120 minutes for the load bearing part of the wall.
8	External wall, lined internally and with fire-rated cladding to the outside	No upgrade proposed.	120/120/120 minutes if the wall is load bearing, otherwise -/120/120 minutes.
9	Lightweight wall consisting of lining to a stud system, approximately 200 mm thick.  No part of the wall is load bearing.	Install a non-load bearing wall system to one side of the existing wall.	-/120/120 minutes.
10	External wall, lined internally and with non-combustible cladding to the outside.	Upgrade the external cladding using a lightweight fire-rated wall (e.g. Hebel panel system or equivalent).	-/120/120 minutes for the non-load bearing wall system. 120/120/120 minutes for the load bearing part of the wall.

Wall No <sup>1</sup>	Construction description	Upgrade	Minimum fire resistance rating to be achieved following upgrade
11	Concrete construction, tilt panel or similar, approximately 150 – 200 mm thick.  As per NZS 4230:2004 and/or NZS 3101:2006, the concrete can achieve a 120 minutes of fire resistance.	No upgrade proposed.	120/120/120 minutes.
12	Concrete construction, block or similar, approximately 150 – 200 mm thick.  As per NZS 4230:2004 and/or NZS 3101:2006, the concrete can achieve a 120 minutes of fire resistance.	No upgrade proposed.	120/120/120 minutes.  Existing service penetrations to achieve a minimum -/120/- minutes.

1. Wall No. represents a section of the wall as specified in Cosgroves floor plan, as amended by Beca, Sketch No. PF-002, Rev A, 27-03-2024. Note: Wall 12 and wall 15 in the laminating hall are the same wall.
2. An existing service penetration is one that was in place prior to 20 February 2023.

**Table 2 Fire resistance rating performance requirements for the laminating hall**

Wall No <sup>1</sup>	Construction description	Upgrade	Minimum fire resistance rating to be achieved following upgrade
14	Lightweight wall consisting of lining to a stud system, approximately 200 mm thick, situated between steel/concrete structural columns, which take the load of the roof.	Paint the lining of the wall with intumescent paint to both sides.	60/60/60 minutes.  Existing service penetrations to achieve a minimum -/60/- minutes. <sup>2</sup>
15	Concrete construction, block or similar, approximately 150 – 200 mm thick.  As per NZS 4230:2004 and/or NZS 3101:2006, the concrete can achieve a 120 minutes of fire resistance.	No upgrade proposed.	120/120/120 minutes.  Existing service penetrations to achieve a minimum -/120/- minutes.
16	External wall, lined internally and with non-combustible cladding to the outside.	Paint the internal lining of the wall with intumescent paint.	-/60/60 minutes for the non-load bearing wall system from the inside.  Existing service penetrations to achieve a minimum -/60/- minutes from the inside.
17	Repurposed formerly exterior wall, with non-combustible external cladding to the Engineering Workshop side, standard internal lining to the Laminating Hall side.	Paint the internal lining of the wall with intumescent paint.	-/60/60 minutes for the non-load bearing wall system from the inside.  Existing service penetrations to achieve a minimum -/60/- minutes from the inside.

1. Wall No. represents a section of the wall as specified in Cosgroves floor plan, as amended by Beca, Sketch No. PF-002, Rev A, 27-03-2024. Note: Wall 15 and wall 12 in the printing hall are the same wall.
2. An existing service penetration is one that was in place prior to 20 February 2023.