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## Subordinate Legislation Act 1994

### METROPOLITAN FIRE BRIGADE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 2005

The proposed Metropolitan Fire Brigade (General) Regulations and Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) have been prepared and are now available for public comment.

The proposed Regulations will replace the expiring Metropolitan Fire Brigade (General) Regulations 1994.

The objectives of the proposed Regulations are to provide for:

- the efficient and effective management of the Board's employees;
- the efficient and effective operation and administration of the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Appeals Commission;
- recovery of the costs of emergency attendances (including false alarms), hazardous materials and toxic fire incidents, property protection, loss mitigation and road accident rescue services, encouraging efficient use of Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board (MFESB) resources and equitable funding of these attendances; and
- other matters authorised by the Act to be prescribed by regulation, particularly in relation to requirements surrounding the use of the insignia of the Board and the issue of fire prevention notices.

The proposed Regulations make provisions for the management of employees, payment of fees and charges to the Board and other matters required for the practical operation of the **Metropolitan Fire Brigades Act 1958**.

The RIS examines the proposed regulatory regime and identifies alternatives to the proposed fee structure for call-outs for false alarms of fire. It concludes that the proposed Regulations will best provide for the effective operation and management of the MFESB.

Public comments or submissions on the proposed Regulations and the RIS are invited. Copies of both documents can be obtained from: Julia Hickey, Office of the Emergency

Services Commissioner, Department of Justice,  
GPO Box 4356QQ, Melbourne, Vic. 3001, tel:  
(03) 9651 1956, fax: (03) 9651 0356.

Copies can be accessed on the Department of Justice's internet site: [www.justice.vic.gov.au](http://www.justice.vic.gov.au).

The closing date for receipt of written submissions is Friday 30 September 2005. All submissions will be treated as public documents.

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