



ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF CANBERRA AND GOULBURN

Selling Or Gifting Second Hand Goods POLICY

There are risks inherent in selling or gifting second hand goods to which safety standards apply. Consumer protections contained in the Australian Consumer Law extend to people to receive goods and services as gifts. They have the same rights and responsibilities and are entitled to the same remedies as consumers who buy goods directly. The Diocesan products liability insurance policy specifically excludes from cover liability arising out of or in connection with your products if they are second-hand electrical goods unless they are appropriately tested and tagged. To protect Parishes individually, and the Diocese more generally, the following policy has been adopted by Bishop-in-Council in relation to selling or gifting second hand goods.

Scope

This policy applies to all Ministry Units and Diocesan Agencies.

Policy

a) Household Electrical Equipment

To ensure that we meet our obligations to recipients of second hand electrical goods sold or gifted by Diocesan entities (including parishes), all electrical goods and appliances sold or gifted are required to meet the standard AS/NZ 3760. All second hand electrical equipment must be tested and tagged by a competent person before being offered for sale or gift. This applies to all sales or gifts by Diocesan entities, for example at retail outlets, white elephant stalls, fetes, etc.

Records of electrical equipment that have been tested and tagged must be kept for at least seven years.



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b) Other Goods To Which Mandatory Safety Standards Apply

There are many products to which mandatory consumer product safety standards apply. These include:

- baby bath aids, dummies, walkers,
- child car restraints,
- children's nightwear,
- cots (household, portable and folding),
- prams and strollers
- aquatic toys
- bicycles,
- bike helmets (bicycle and motor cycle).

For a full listing of mandatory standards see www.productsafety.gov.au

These mandatory safety standards may apply to second hand products depending on the circumstances of the supply of the products. The Diocese has not banned the sale or gift of these products provided that a representative of the Diocesan agency has inspected the product and is confident that the product meets current safety standards. Not to take all reasonable steps to ensure a product meets current safety standards could expose the Diocese to a claim for damages to which its insurance cover may not respond.

Feedback

Feedback on this policy can be submitted to:

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