

The Australian Communications and Media Authority makes the following plan under subsection 455(1) of the *Telecommunications Act 1997*.

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Chapter 1—Preliminary

Part 1—General

1 Name

This is the Telecommunications Numbering Plan 2025.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences at the start of the day after the day it is registered on the Federal Register of Legislation.

Note: The Federal Register of Legislation may be accessed free of charge at www.legislation.gov.au.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under subsection 455(1) of the Telecommunications Act 1997.

4 Repeal of the Telecommunications Numbering Plan 2015

The *Telecommunications Numbering Plan 2015* [Registration No. F2015L00319] is repealed.

5 Definitions

In this instrument:

access code: see section 28.

ACN has the same meaning as in the Corporations Act 2001.

Act means the Telecommunications Act 1997.

active service, for a smartnumber, means that a carriage service is being provided using the number.

advisory committee means an advisory committee established by the ACMA under section 58 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*.

annual charge has the same meaning as in section 468 of the Act.

approved operation plan means an operation plan approved by the ACMA under section 24, 25 or 26 (including an amended operation plan or replacement operation plan).

ARBN has the same meaning as in the Corporations Act 2001.

area code: see section 10.

assigned unallocated smartnumber means a smartnumber for which there is an EROU-holder, but which is not held by a carriage service provider.

call costs and enquiries (national and international) service means an operator service provided to an end-user for giving information on making national and international calls.

calling number display override service means a carriage service with which a caller can block or unblock the display of the originating telephone number on the telephone used by the recipient of the call.

carriage service provider identification code means an access code identified in Schedule 6 as being for use with an interconnect and routing service.

charging district means an area listed as a charging district on the ACMA's website at www.acma.gov.au.

Note: A charging district is a geographic district in Australia that includes standard zone units.

community service means a carriage service providing access to information or assistance of significant community value.

country code means a set of digits assigned by the International Telecommunication Union that:

- (a) indicates the country, group of countries or geographic area to which an international call is made; or
- (b) is used to identify a global service or international network.

customer means a person to whom a carriage service provider issues a number.

data network access service means a carriage service with which an end-user can gain access to a data network.

designated authority has the same meaning as in section 465 of the Act.

designated standard zone unit means a standard zone unit that is specified on the ACMA's website as being at risk from a large allocation of numbers.

Note: The ACMA's website is at www.acma.gov.au.

eligible local call has the same meaning as in section 106 of the *Telecommunications* (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Act 1999.

emergency service organisation means an organisation providing a service mentioned in subsection 466(1) of the Act.

enhanced rights of use means the rights set out in section 66.

equivalent service: see section 102.

EROU applicant: see subsection 63(1).

EROU-holder means the holder of the enhanced rights of use for a smartnumber.

escape code, for a private numbering scheme, means a single-digit prefix used to indicate that the digits dialled following the escape code are for calls to end-users that are not part of the select group.

freephone number: see section 14.

freephone service means a carriage service where:

- (a) a customer issued with a number is charged for calls to the number for the service; and
- (b) the number is provided to a customer to receive incoming calls but cannot be used to make outgoing calls; and
- (c) the call charge for calls made to the number for the service from a standard telephone service (other than a public mobile telecommunications service) is nil.

geographic number: see section 10.

holds: a carriage service provider holds a number if:

- (a) the number has been allocated to the carriage service provider or transferred to the carriage service provider; and
- (b) the number has not subsequently been transferred to another carriage service provider, surrendered or withdrawn.

incoming international assistance operator service means an operator service that:

- (a) provides assistance with the establishment of calls; and
- (b) provides information about the meaning of special tones and spoken announcements; and
- (c) is accessible by operators in countries other than Australia; and
- (d) is not accessible for calls originating in Australia.

incoming international delay operator service means an operator service that:

- (a) provides assistance with the establishment of calls for which there is an inherent set-up delay; and
- (b) provides information about the meaning of special tones and spoken announcements; and
- (c) is accessible by operators in countries other than Australia; and
- (d) is not accessible for calls originating in Australia.

incoming international directory enquiries service means an operator service that:

- (a) provides assistance with finding the telephone number of an end-user of an Australian standard telephone service; and
- (b) is accessible by operators in countries other than Australia; and
- (c) is not accessible for calls originating in Australia.

incoming only international service means a carriage service:

- (a) by which incoming calls from outside Australia are routed to an Australian carriage service provider; and
- (b) for which access is not available for calls originating in Australia.

interconnect and routing service means a carriage service:

- (a) that enables a customer to select an alternative carriage service provider on a callby-call basis; or
- (b) by which a particular carriage service provider operating a telecommunications network is identified, in the carriage of a call to a point of interconnection between telecommunication networks, as the next recipient network for carriage of the call.

internal network service means a carriage service that:

- (a) is only accessible by the carriage service provider; and
- (b) uses numbers that are translated to a different number as a way of applying certain features or facilities to the call.

internal review decision: see section 121.

international direct dial service means an international service with which the end-user makes calls directly, without the assistance of an operator.

international directory assistance service means an operator service provided to an enduser to help find the number of a customer at a location outside Australia.

international faults and difficulties service means an operator service provided to a customer for dealing with faults and service difficulties relating to calls to destinations outside Australia.

international number means a number beginning with a country code, followed by:

- (a) a telephone number used in the area to which the country code relates (including any code used to indicate a smaller area within that area); or
- (b) a telephone number identifying a subscriber to a global service.

international ring back price service means an international service for which an enduser who has made and completed a call receives a call advising the end-user of the cost of the completed call.

international service means a carriage service with which an end-user is able to make calls to destinations outside Australia.

international signalling point code: see section 36.

internet of things data-only service means a carriage service that:

- (a) is only accessible on the carriage service provider's network;
- (b) is used for consumer and enterprise connected internet of things devices and applications; and
- (c) only requires access to data (internet protocol and non-internet protocol) services.

internet of things number means a special services number specified in Schedule 5 for use with an internet of things service or internet of things data-only service.

internet of things service means a carriage service that:

- (a) is used for consumer and enterprise connected internet of things devices and applications; and
- (b) requires the use of voice telephony and/or messaging services in addition to data (internet protocol and non-internet protocol services).
- Note: An internet of things service or an internet of things data-only service is expected to be used for devices and objects with sensors, processing ability, software or other technologies that connect and exchange data with other devices and systems over the internet or other communication networks.

ITU means the International Telecommunications Union

Note: The ITU's website is www.itu.int.

local rate number: see section 16.

local rate service means a carriage service:

- (a) that is capable of voice telephony; and
- (b) that, for a call, involves the translation of the number dialled in making the call to a number that identifies a point of termination for the call; and
- (c) that is not a local service; and
- (d) that is provided for receiving incoming calls but cannot be used to make outgoing calls; and
- (e) for which:
 - (i) the call charge for calls made using a standard telephone service (other than a public mobile telecommunications service) is equal to, or less than, the call charge for local calls; and
 - (ii) responsibility for the residual charge for calls (if any) lies with the person to whom the dialled number is issued.

local service means a carriage service that:

- (a) is capable of voice telephony; and
- (b) is provided for one or both of the following:
 - (i) receiving incoming calls at a location;
 - (ii) making outgoing calls at a location;
 - where that location is:
 - (iii) a fixed location at the premises occupied or used by a customer; or
 - (iv) a flexible location.

low charge amount means the highest call charge for an eligible local call made using a standard telephone service, other than a public mobile telecommunications service, supplied by a primary universal service provider.

mobile carriage service provider means a carriage service provider that supplies or arranges for the supply of a public mobile telecommunications service.

mobile network code: see section 39.

mobile number: see section 18.

mobile service means a public mobile telecommunications service supplied by a network using digital modulation techniques.

national and international operator call connection service means an operator service provided to assist a customer in making national and international calls.

number portability means the right of a customer receiving a service in relation to a portable number to change the carriage service provider involved in providing the service, the carrier network involved in providing the service, or both, and retain the same telephone number.

operator service means a carriage service provided by an operator or by means of:

- (a) an automated voice response system; or
- (b) another technology-based system.

optional service: see subsection 23(1).

originating access carriage service provider means a carriage service provider that provides access for connection by a customer to outgoing carriage services.

portable number means an allocated number that is used in connection with the supply of a portable service.

portable service means:

- (a) a local service; or
- (b) a freephone service; or
- (c) a local rate service; or
- (d) a public mobile telecommunications service other than a satellite telephone service.

ported, in relation to a number issued to a customer for a portable service, means that the carriage service provider or the carrier network involved in providing the service, or both, is changed while the customer continues to receive a portable service using the number.

primary universal service provider has the same meaning as in the Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Act 1999.

private numbering scheme means a feature, offered as part of a carriage service, by which:

- (a) a customer of a carriage service provider may establish a series of numbers intended for use by a select group of telephone users; and
- (b) a telephone user in the group may make calls to other users in the group by dialling the established numbers.
- Note: Arrangements supporting private numbering plans, including the ability to make calls to numbers established under a plan, may also exist without being part of the supply of a carriage service (e.g. a private network established by a PABX). Those arrangements are not covered by the definition of *private numbering scheme*.

public safety number means a special services number specified in Schedule 5 for use with a public safety service.

public safety service means a carriage service that is used by a recognised person who operates an emergency call service, as defined in section 19 of the Act, to assist them in the delivery of that service.

registered carriage service provider means a carriage service provider registered under section 114.

registered industry code means an industry code included in the Register that ACMA is required to maintain under section 136 of the Act.

register of smartnumbers: see section 68.

reviewable decision: see section 119.

routing responsibility: see subsection 104(2).

satellite telephone service means a carriage service with which end-users make and receive calls via a satellite-based facility.

scam communication means any communication to a number that has been generated for the purpose of dishonestly obtaining a benefit, or causing a loss, by deception or other means, including but not limited to a communication made through:

- (a) a voice telephony service; or
- (b) a short message service.

signalling point means a node in a network that performs either or both of the following functions:

- (a) originating and receiving signalling messages;
- (b) transferring signalling messages from one signalling link to another signalling link.

signalling point operator means a registered carriage service provider that:

- (a) wishes to operate a signalling point that has at least 1 message transfer part in the international signalling network; or
- (b) already operates a signalling point of that kind.

smartnumber means:

(a) a freephone number that is specified, as mentioned in subsection 47(2), to be a freephone number that is a smartnumber; or

(b) a local rate number that is specified, as mentioned in subsection 47(2), to be a local rate number that is a smartnumber.

special services number: see section 21.

specified for use:

- (a) in relation to a geographic number—see subsection 11(4); and
- (b) in relation to a special services number—see subsection 22(2); and
- (c) in relation to an access code—see subsection 29(3).

standard unit, in relation to a type of number, means a contiguous block of numbers in sequence, containing the quantity of numbers listed in Schedule 7 for that type of number.

standard zone unit means an area listed as a standard zone unit on the ACMA's website.

- Note 1: A standard zone unit is used by carriage service providers to determine whether a call from a standard telephone service is a local call charged on an untimed basis or a long distance call charged on a timed basis based (at least in part) on the distance between calling and called parties. For this purpose it is identified by reference to a charging point with a specified latitude and longitude that lies within the area of the standard zone unit.
- Note 2: The ACMA's website is at www.acma.gov.au.

testing service means a carriage service with which an end-user tests features of a telephone or a carriage service provider's network.

Example: A demonstration of the different tones used by a carriage service provider's network (such as a ring tone or busy tone).

trade, for enhanced rights of use for a smartnumber, means trade (within the ordinary meaning of that expression), license, sell or otherwise deal with the enhanced rights of use attached to the smartnumber.

unassigned unallocated smartnumber means a smartnumber for which there is not an EROU-holder and which is not held by any carriage service provider.

virtual private network service means a carriage service with which an end-user can gain access to a virtual private network.

Note: A number of expressions used in this instrument are defined in the Act, including the following:

- (a) Australia;
- (b) carriage service;
- (c) carriage service provider;
- (d) carrier;
- (e) directory assistance service;
- (f) emergency service number;
- (g) facility;
- (h) public mobile telecommunications service.

6 References to other instruments

In this instrument, unless the contrary intention appears:

- (a) a reference to any other legislative instrument is a reference to that other legislative instrument as in force from time to time; and
- (b) a reference to any other kind of instrument is a reference to that other instrument as in force or existing from time to time.
- Note 1: For references to Commonwealth Acts, see section 10 of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*; and see also subsection 13(1) of the *Legislation Act 2003* for the application of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901* to legislative instruments.

Note 2: See section 589 of the Act.

7 Regard to be had to objects and other matters

In interpreting and making decisions under this instrument, regard is to be had to:

- (a) the objects of the Act; and
- (b) the desirability of ensuring consistency with the object of Part XIC of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (telecommunications access regime); and
- (c) the desirability of ensuring that the management of numbers under this instrument is carried out in a way that is consistent with the requirements of other instruments made under the Act.

Chapter 2—Numbers for use

8 Numbers for use—public

- (1) For subsection 455(3) of the Act, the numbers that are for use in connection with the supply of carriage services to the public in Australia are the following:
 - (a) geographic numbers;
 - (b) freephone numbers;
 - (c) local rate numbers;
 - (d) mobile numbers;
 - (e) emergency service numbers;
 - (f) special services numbers specified for use with:
 - (i) a community service; or
 - (ii) a data network access service; or
 - (iii) directory assistance services within the meaning of the Act; or
 - (iv) an internet of things service; or
 - (v) a national and international operator call connection service; or
 - (vi) an operator service (of any kind); or
 - (vii) a public safety service; or
 - (viii) a satellite telephone service.
 - (g) access codes;
 - (h) international numbers;
 - (i) private numbers;
 - (j) international signalling point codes;
 - (k) mobile network codes.
- (2) No other number may be used in connection with the supply of carriage services to the public in Australia.

9 Numbers for use—non-public

Numbers that are not referred to in section 8 but are otherwise referred to in this instrument, and numbers that are not specified in this instrument, may be used in connection with the supply of carriage services other than to the public.

Chapter 3—Specification of telephone numbers

Part 1—Geographic numbers

10 Definition of geographic number

A *geographic number* is a 10-digit number with the following components:

- (a) a 2 digit *area code* set out in column 1 of an item in a table in Schedule 1;
- (b) an 8 digit *local number* beginning with the digit or digits listed in the item after the area code.

11 Use of geographic numbers

- (1) A geographic number may be used only in connection with the supply of a local service.
- (2) This section does not prevent a number other than a geographic number being used in connection with the supply of those services.
- (3) A geographic number allocated to a standard zone unit must only be used in connection with the supply of a carriage service:
 - (a) that terminates calls to the number at a location in the standard zone unit; or
 - (b) for which the call charge for the calls is worked out as if the calls were terminated at a location in the standard zone unit.
 - Note: A carriage service provider generally relies on information contained in a geographic number to find out the location of the service being called for the purpose of working out the charge for a call. Part 4 of the *Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Act 1999* contains requirements about charging for local calls.
- (4) A geographic number is *specified for use* in relation to a standard zone unit if the standard zone unit is:
 - (a) mentioned for the number in column 2 of Schedule 1; or
 - (b) included in a charging district mentioned for the number in column 2 of Schedule 1.
- (5) Geographic numbers must be used in connection with the supply of carriage services in a way consistent, as far as practicable, with the existing patterns of use, including patterns corresponding to areas where geographic numbers with the same first 6 digits have been issued.

12 Notice of geographic number that may terminate in different locality

- (1) This section applies to a carriage service provider if:
 - (a) the carriage service provider offers to supply a local service using a geographic number; and
 - (b) calls made to the service may not terminate in the standard zone unit for which the number is allocated; and
 - (c) there is not a registered industry code that applies to the carriage service provider setting out the information that must be provided to a potential customer in relation to the use of a geographic number for services provided at a location outside of the standard zone unit for which the number was allocated.
- (2) The carriage service provider must, at the time of offering to supply the service, give written notice to all potential customers that:

- (a) if the customer is located outside the standard zone unit for which the geographic number issued to the customer was allocated, calls to the number will be charged as if the customer was located within the standard zone unit; and
- (b) the customer may not be able to port the number to another carriage service provider.
- (3) If the internet is used to make the offer, the carriage service provider must ensure that the notice under subsection (2) is prominently displayed on the primary webpage used to make the offer in legible text with a font size of at least 10 points, written in plain English.
- (4) At the time of entering into an arrangement with a customer for supply of the service, the carriage service provider must obtain an acknowledgement from the customer that the customer understands the service may be limited as described in the notice.

13 Use of local numbers

If a local number is dialled from a carriage service supplied using a geographic number (the *originating service*), the originating access carriage service provider for the call must treat the local number as if it were a geographic number having the same area code as the area code of the originating service.

Part 2—Freephone, local rate and mobile numbers

Division 1—Freephone numbers

14 Definition of *freephone number*

A *freephone number* is a number:

- (a) beginning with the digits set out in column 1 of an item in the table in Schedule 2; and
- (b) with the number of digits set out in column 2 of the item.

15 Use of freephone numbers

- (1) A freephone number may be used only for a freephone service.
- (2) If an item in the table in Schedule 2 has "No" in column 3, a freephone number identified in columns 1 and 2 of the item must not be used in connection with the supply of a carriage service that routes an incoming call from outside Australia to the number.
- (3) If an item in the table in Schedule 2 has "Yes" in column 3, a freephone number identified in columns 1 and 2 of the item may be used in connection with the supply of a carriage service that routes an incoming call from outside Australia to the number.

Division 2—Local rate numbers

16 Definition of local rate number

A *local rate number* is a number:

- (a) beginning with the digits set out in column 1 of an item in the table in Schedule 3; and
- (b) with the number of digits set out in column 2 of the item.

17 Use of local rate numbers

- (1) A local rate number may be used only for a local rate service.
- (2) If an item in the table in Schedule 3 has "No" in column 3, a local rate number identified in columns 1 and 2 of the item must not be used in connection with the supply of a carriage service that routes an incoming call from outside Australia to the number.
- (3) If an item in the table in Schedule 3 has "Yes" in column 3, a local rate number identified in columns 1 and 2 of the item may be used in connection with the supply of a carriage service that routes an incoming call from outside Australia to the number.
- (4) A local rate number beginning with "1345" may be used only for monitoring security alarms.

Division 3 – Mobile numbers

18 Definition of mobile number

A *mobile number* is a number:

- (a) beginning with the digits set out in column 1 of an item in the table of Schedule 4; and
- (b) with the number of digits set out in column 2 of the item.

19 Use of mobile numbers

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), a mobile number may only be used for:
 - (a) a mobile service; or
 - (b) a service which is not permitted to use any other kind of number referred to in Chapter 2.

Note: See also section 128.

- (2) Despite subsection (1) a mobile number may be used for any service, if:
 - (a) the number was in use immediately before the commencement of this section;
 - (b) that use would not have contravened the *Telecommunications Numbering Plan* 2015; and
 - (c) there is no change to the kind of service for which the number is used.
- (3) If an item in the table in Schedule 4 has "No" in column 3, a mobile number identified in columns 1 and 2 of the item must not be used in connection with the supply of a carriage service that routes an incoming call from outside Australia to the number.
- (4) If an item in the table in Schedule 4 has "Yes" in column 4, a mobile number identified in columns 1 and 2 of the item may be used in connection with the supply of a carriage service that routes an incoming call from outside Australia to the number.

Part 3—Emergency service numbers

20 Emergency service numbers

For subsection 466(2) of the Act, "000", "106" and "112" are emergency service numbers.

- Note 1: The general emergency service number is "000". The number "106" is for use with teletypewriters (TTYs) and "112" is an alternative available for mobile phones.
- Note 2: Section 147 of the *Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Act 1999* requires the ACMA to make a determination imposing requirements in relation to emergency call services.

Part 4—Special services numbers

21 Definition of special services number

- A *special services number* is a number:
 - (a) beginning with the digits set out in column 1 of an item in a table in Schedule 5; and
 - (b) with the number of digits set out in column 2 of the item.

22 Use of special services numbers

- A special services number identified in columns 1 and 2 of an item in a table in Schedule 5 may be used only for a type of carriage service mentioned in column 3 of the item.
- (2) A special services number is *specified for use* with a type of service if the type of service is mentioned for the number in column 3 of a table in Schedule 5.
- (3) Despite subsection (1), a special services number that is also an access code specified for use with an incoming only international service may be used for both purposes.
 - Note: See section 29 and Schedule 6 for specification of the use of access codes. The same number can be used for both purposes because one use will be for calls originating in Australia and the other will be for calls made from outside Australia.

Incoming international access

- (4) If an item in a table in Schedule 5 has "No" in column 4, a special services number identified in columns 1 and 2 of the item must not be used in connection with the supply of a carriage service that routes an incoming call from outside Australia to the number.
- (5) If an item in a table in Schedule 5 has "Yes" in column 4, a special services number identified in columns 1 and 2 of the item may be used in connection with the supply of a carriage service that routes an incoming call from outside Australia to the number.

Low charge numbers

- (6) If an item in a table in Schedule 5 has "Yes" in column 5, subsection (7) applies to calls made by a customer to a special services number identified in columns 1 and 2 using a standard telephone service other than a public mobile telecommunications service.
- (7) The charge for a call, disregarding any optional discounts and surcharges:
 - (a) must be worked out by reference to the number of calls made during a particular period, regardless of how long each call lasted; and
 - (b) must not be more than the low charge amount.

23 Use of 1223 for operator services on carriage service with price control arrangements

- (1) A carriage service provider may only use the number "1223" in connection with the supply of an operator service other than a directory assistance service (an *optional service*) in response to calls made using a carriage service:
 - (a) that is not a public mobile telecommunications service; and
 - (b) the charge for which is subject to the price control arrangements specified in a determination made by the Minister under subsection 154(1) of the *Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Act 1999*;

if the optional service is provided in accordance with an approved operation plan.

- (2) An operation plan must set out arrangements to ensure the following outcomes:
 - (a) that the carriage service provider will continue to supply a directory assistance service;
 - (b) that the supply of optional services on "1223" will not diminish access to, or the supply of, the directory assistance service;
 - (c) that consumers will be adequately informed about the availability of the optional service and any charges applicable to the supply of the optional service.

24 Approval of operation plan

- (1) A carriage service provider may apply to the ACMA for approval of an operation plan in relation to the provision of an optional service.
- (2) Before making an application, the carriage service provider must consult about the provision of the optional service with consumer organisations that are appropriate to the circumstances in which, and the customers to whom, the carriage service provider proposes to supply the optional service.
- (3) The application must be in a form approved by the ACMA and be accompanied by:
 - (a) a copy of the operation plan; and
 - (b) a documented record of the consultations undertaken.
- (4) The ACMA must make a decision to approve or not to approve the operation plan no later than 60 business days after receiving the application.
- (5) The ACMA may ask the carriage service provider, in writing, to give it further information about matters relevant to the application to assist it to consider the application.
- (6) The 60 business days mentioned in subsection (4) do not include a period:
 - (a) starting when the ACMA asks the carriage service provider for further information; and
 - (b) ending when the ACMA receives the information.
- (7) In considering the application, the ACMA must have regard to the opinion of each consumer organisation that the carriage service provider has consulted about the provision of the optional service.
- (8) The ACMA may have regard to any matter that the ACMA considers relevant.
- (9) The ACMA must not approve the operation plan if:
 - (a) it is not satisfied that the operation plan sets out appropriate arrangements for ensuring the outcomes set out in subsection 23(2); or
 - (b) it is not satisfied that the operation plan is consistent with the objects of the Act; or
 - (c) it is not satisfied that the carriage service provider has had adequate consultations with appropriate consumer organisations about the provision of the optional service.
- (10) The ACMA must notify the carriage service provider of its decision in writing.
- (11) If the ACMA does not make a decision within the period required under subsection (4), the ACMA is taken to have made a decision to refuse the application.

25 Amendment or replacement of operation plan on application by carriage service provider

- (1) A carriage service provider that has an approved operation plan in relation to the supply of an optional service may apply to the ACMA for approval of:
 - (a) an amendment of the approved operation plan; or
 - (b) a replacement operation plan.
- (2) The application must be in a form approved by the ACMA and be accompanied by a copy of the proposed amendment or replacement operation plan.
- (3) The ACMA must make a decision to approve or not to approve the amendment or the replacement operation plan no later than 60 business days after receiving the application.
- (4) The ACMA may ask the carriage service provider, in writing, to give it further information about matters relevant to the application to assist it to consider the application.
- (5) The 60 business days mentioned in subsection (3) do not include a period:
 - (a) starting when the ACMA asks the carriage service provider for further information; and
 - (b) ending when the ACMA receives the information.
- (6) The ACMA must not approve the amendment or replacement operation plan if:
 - (a) it is not satisfied that the arrangements in the amended operation plan or replacement operation plan will be more effective than the arrangements in the current approved operation plan in ensuring the outcomes mentioned in subsection 23(2); or
 - (b) it is not satisfied that the amended operation plan or replacement operation plan is consistent with the objects of the Act.
- (7) The ACMA must notify the carriage service provider of its decision in writing.
- (8) If the ACMA does not make a decision within the period required under subsection (3), the ACMA is taken to have made a decision to refuse the application.

26 Amendment or replacement of operation plan at ACMA's direction

- (1) The ACMA may, in writing, direct a carriage service provider that has an approved operation plan in relation to the supply of an optional service:
 - (a) to amend the approved operation plan in a way set out in the direction; or
 - (b) to replace the approved operation plan with an operation plan set out in the direction.
- (2) However, the ACMA must not give a direction under subsection (1) unless it is satisfied that the arrangements in the amended operation plan or replacement operation plan will be more effective than the arrangements in the current operation plan in ensuring the outcomes mentioned in subsection 23(2).
- (3) If the carriage service provider gives the ACMA an amended operation plan or replacement operation plan that the provider believes complies with a direction given under subsection (1), the ACMA must decide no later than 60 business days after receiving the plan whether the carriage service provider has complied with the direction.
 - Note: A carriage service provider is not required to comply with the direction, and may instead decide to cease supplying the optional service.

- (4) If the ACMA is satisfied that the carriage service provider has complied with the direction, the ACMA must approve the amended operation plan or replacement operation plan.
- (5) The ACMA must notify the carriage service provider of its decision in writing.
- (6) If the ACMA does not make a decision within the period required under subsection (3), the ACMA is taken to have made a decision under subsection (4) that the carriage service provider has not complied with the direction.
- (7) The ACMA may ask the carriage service provider, in writing, to give it further information to assist it to consider the amended operation plan or replacement operation plan.
- (8) The 60 business days mentioned in subsection (3) do not include a period:
 - (a) starting when the ACMA asks the carriage service provider for further information; and
 - (b) ending when the ACMA receives the information.
- (9) If the ACMA gives a carriage service provider a direction under subsection (1), and an amended operation plan or replacement operation plan is not approved at the end of the period of 120 days beginning on the day the direction is given, the current operation plan is taken to no longer be approved.

27 Cessation of service under operation plan

- (1) If a carriage service provider that has an approved operation plan in relation to the supply of an optional service intends to cease the supply of the service, the carriage service provider must notify the ACMA, in writing, of its intention as soon as practicable and before ceasing to supply the service.
- (2) The notification must include the likely date on which the carriage service provider will cease to supply the service.

Part 5—Access codes

28 Definition of access code

An *access code* is a number:

- (a) beginning with the digits set out in column 1 of an item in a table in Schedule 6; and
- (b) with the number of digits set out in column 2 of the item.

29 Use of access codes

- (1) An access code identified in columns 1 and 2 of an item in a table in Schedule 6 may be used only for a type of carriage service mentioned in column 3 of the item.
- (2) The access code may be used only as a prefix to a type of number mentioned in column 4 of the item.
- (3) An access code is *specified for use* with a type of service if the type of service is mentioned for the access code in column 3 of a table in Schedule 6.
- (4) Despite subsection (1), a carriage service provider identification code may also be used:
 - (a) to identify a telecommunications network; or
 - (b) to interconnect routing of a call between carriage service providers;

without being dialled, and may prefix an address digit for routing a call across a point of interconnection.

- (5) Despite subsection (1), an access code that is specified for use with an incoming only international service that is also a special services number specified for use with a type of service may be used for both purposes.
 - Note: See section 22 and Schedule 5 for specification of the use of special services numbers. The same number can be used for both purposes because one use will be for calls originating in Australia and the other will be for calls made from outside Australia.

30 Charge for call to international freephone numbers

The charge, disregarding any optional discounts and surcharges, for a call using the access code "0011" followed by the digits "800":

- (a) must be worked out by reference to the number of calls made during a particular period, regardless of how long each call lasted; and
- (b) must not be more than the low charge amount.

Part 6—Shared numbers

31 Definition of *shared number* and *selectable shared number*

- (1) A number is a *shared number* if:
 - (a) it is a special services number identified in an item in the table in clause 2 of Schedule 5; or
 - (b) it is an access code identified in an item in the table in clause 2 of Schedule 6.
- (2) If an item in the table in clause 2 of Schedule 5 has "Yes" in column 6, a special services number identified in columns 1 and 2 of the item is a *selectable shared number*.

32 Use of shared numbers

- (1) The requirements of Part 4 apply to special services numbers that are shared numbers, and the requirements of Part 5 apply to access codes that are shared numbers.
- (2) A shared number may be used by a carriage service provider without being allocated.

Note: A shared number must not be allocated: see subsections 47(5) and 53(3).

Chapter 4—Private numbering schemes

33 Restrictions on use do not apply to use in private numbering scheme

- (1) Despite anything in Chapter 3, a number may be used in a private numbering scheme if it is:
 - (a) a geographic number;
 - (b) a local number;
 - (c) a mobile number;
 - (d) a special services number; or
 - (e) an access code.
- (2) An emergency service number must not be used in a private numbering scheme.

34 Private numbering scheme with escape code

If a private numbering scheme has an escape code, a number used in the private numbering scheme must not begin with the escape code.

35 Private numbering scheme without an escape code

- (1) This section applies to a private numbering scheme that does not have an escape code.
- (2) If a number used in the private numbering scheme starts with "0" or "1", the originating access carriage service provider for a call to the number must not treat the call as a call to a special services number.
- (3) If a number used in the private numbering scheme starts with "2", "3", "4", "5", "6", "7", "8" or "9", the number must not have more than 8 digits.
- (4) Subsections (2) and (3) do not apply to a number issued to a customer if:
 - (a) the number was issued at the customer's request; and
 - (b) before the number was issued, the carriage service provider holding the number told the customer, in writing, that use of the number in a private numbering scheme would be likely to affect the ability of end-users in the scheme to use the number in connection with the supply of other carriage services specified in this instrument; and
 - (c) the number is not an access code that is specified for use with a calling number display override service; and
 - (d) the number is not a number that has been issued to an emergency service organisation.

Chapter 5—International signalling point codes and mobile network codes

Part 1—International signalling point codes

36 Definition of international signalling point code

An *international signalling point code* is a 5-digit number with the following components:

- (a) a 4-digit signalling area network code that has been allocated to the ACMA by the ITU;
- (b) a single digit between 0 and 7 (inclusive);

other than a special services number or an access code.

Note: For the definitions of *special services number* and *access code*, see sections 21 and 28, which refer to Schedules 5 and 6.

37 Application for allocation of international signalling point code

- (1) A registered carriage service provider that is a signalling point operator may apply to the ACMA under this section for the allocation of an international signalling point code.
- (2) The application must be in a form approved by the ACMA.
- (3) Strict compliance with the approved form is required.
- (4) The application must be accompanied by the charge (if any) for the application fixed by a determination under section 60 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*.
- (5) The registered carriage service provider must tender the amount of charge (if any) imposed on the allocation of the international signalling point code by Part 2 of the *Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Act 1997.*
 - Note: Subsection 457(2) of the Act requires this amount to be refunded if the application is not successful.

38 Decision on application

- (1) The ACMA may approve an application made by a registered carriage service provider under section 37 if the ACMA is satisfied that it is appropriate to do so in all the circumstances.
- (2) In considering whether it is appropriate in all the circumstances to approve an application, the ACMA must take the following into account:
 - (a) whether allocation of the international signalling point code to the registered carriage service provider would be consistent with the requirements of an international agreement that is relevant to the allocation; and
 - (b) if the international signalling point code to which the application relates has previously been withdrawn under section 43—whether the allocation of the code will take effect at least 6 months after the withdrawal.
 - Note: In 2025, ITU-T Recommendation Q.708 *Assignment procedures for international signalling point codes* was an example of a relevant international agreement for paragraph (a).
- (3) The ACMA may take into account any other matter that it considers relevant.

- (4) If the ACMA approves an application, the ACMA must allocate the international signalling point code to the registered carriage service provider.
- (5) The ACMA must notify the registered carriage service provider of the international signalling point code that has been allocated and the date of allocation.
- (6) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, the ACMA must notify the designated authority of the allocation of the international signalling point code and the date of allocation.
- (7) If the ACMA decides not to approve the application, the ACMA must notify the registered carriage service provider of its decision.
- (8) Subject to subsection (9), if the ACMA does not inform the applicant of its decision within 60 business days of an application made under section 37, the ACMA is taken to have made a decision under subsection 38(7) to refuse the application.
- (9) The ACMA may seek further information from the applicant about an application made under section 37, and if the ACMA does not inform the applicant of the ACMA's decision on the application within 60 business days of receiving the further requested information, the ACMA is taken to have made a decision under subsection 38(7) to refuse the application.

Part 2—Mobile network codes

39 Definition of mobile network code

A *mobile network code* is a 2-digit number or a 3-digit number that is for use as one component of an international mobile subscriber identity (IMSI).

40 Application for allocation of mobile network code

- (1) A registered carriage service provider may apply to the ACMA under this section for the allocation of a mobile network code.
- (2) The application must be in a form approved by the ACMA.
- (3) Strict compliance with the approved form is required.
- (4) The application must be accompanied by the charge (if any) for the application fixed by a determination under section 60 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*.
- (5) The registered carriage service provider must tender the amount of charge (if any) imposed on the allocation of the mobile network code by Part 2 of the *Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Act 1997.*

41 Decision on application

- (1) The ACMA may approve an application made by a registered carriage service provider under section 40 if the ACMA is satisfied that it is appropriate to do so in all the circumstances.
- (2) In considering whether it is appropriate in all the circumstances to approve an application, the ACMA must take into account whether allocation of the mobile network code to the registered carriage service provider would be consistent with the requirements of an international agreement that is relevant to the allocation.
 - Note: In 2025, ITU-T Recommendation E.212 *The international identification plan for public networks and subscriptions* was an example of a relevant international agreement.
- (3) The ACMA may take into account any other matter that it considers relevant.
- (4) If the ACMA approves an application, the ACMA must allocate the mobile network code to the registered carriage service provider.
- (5) The ACMA must notify the registered carriage service provider of the mobile network code that has been allocated and the date of allocation.
- (6) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, the ACMA must notify the designated authority of the allocation of the mobile network code and the date of allocation.
- (7) If the ACMA decides not to approve the application, the ACMA must notify the registered carriage service provider of its decision.
- (8) Subject to subsection (9), if the ACMA does not inform the applicant of its decision within 60 business days of an application made under section 40, the ACMA is taken to have made a decision under subsection 41(7) to refuse the application.

Note: Subsection 457(2) of the Act requires this amount to be refunded if the application is not successful.

(9) The ACMA may seek further information from the applicant about an application made under section 40, and if the ACMA does not inform the applicant of the ACMA's decision on the application within 60 business days of receiving the further requested information, the ACMA is taken to have made a decision under subsection 41(7) to refuse the application.

Part 3—Transfer, surrender and withdrawal of international signalling point codes and mobile network codes

42 Transfer of codes

- (1) A carriage service provider that holds an international signalling point code or a mobile network code:
 - (a) may only transfer the code to a registered carriage service provider; and
 - (b) must not transfer the code other than in the case of a transfer of business involving the providers.
- (2) The ACMA must be given notice of the transfer in a form approved by the ACMA.
- (3) Strict compliance with the approved form is required.
- (4) The notice of transfer must be accompanied by the charge (if any) in relation to the notice fixed by a determination under section 60 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*.
- (5) The transfer of the international signalling point code or the mobile network code takes effect when the ACMA acknowledges receipt of the completed notice of transfer.
- (6) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, the ACMA must notify the designated authority of the transfer of the code and the date of transfer.

43 Withdrawal of codes

- (1) The ACMA may withdraw an international signalling point code or a mobile network code held by a carriage service provider if the ACMA is satisfied that:
 - (a) withdrawal is appropriate in all the circumstances; and
 - (b) withdrawal is consistent with Australia's obligations under an international agreement that is relevant to the withdrawal.
- (2) If the ACMA decides to withdraw an international signalling point code or a mobile network code held by a carriage service provider, the ACMA must notify the carriage service provider of its decision.
- (3) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, the ACMA must notify the designated authority of the withdrawal of the code and the date of withdrawal.
 - Note: The ACMA may also withdraw an international signalling point code or a mobile network code under section 84 or 86.

44 Application to surrender codes

- (1) A carriage service provider that holds an international signalling point code or a mobile network code may apply to the ACMA to surrender the code if no carriage service is being provided using the code.
- (2) The application must be in a form approved by the ACMA.
- (3) Strict compliance with the approved form is required.
- (4) The application must be accompanied by the charge (if any) for the application fixed by a determination under section 60 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*.

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45 Decision on application to surrender codes

The ACMA must make a decision on an application made by a carriage service provider under section 44 no later than 10 business days after receiving the application.

46 Notice of decision

- (1) As soon as practicable after making a decision on an application by a carriage service provider under section 45, the ACMA must notify the carriage service provider of the decision in writing.
- (2) If the ACMA approves the application, the ACMA must:
 - (a) notify the carriage service provider of the date of surrender; and
 - (b) if the ACMA is not the designated authority—notify the designated authority of the codes surrendered and the date of surrender.
- (3) The date of surrender must be the date of the ACMA's decision.
- (4) If the ACMA does not make a decision within the period required under section 45, the ACMA is taken to have made a decision under section 45 to refuse the application.

Chapter 6—Allocation of numbers

Part 1—Numbers able to be allocated

47 ACMA to list numbers able to be allocated

- (1) For each of the following types of number, the ACMA must create a list of the numbers of that type that are able to be allocated:
 - (a) geographic numbers;
 - (b) freephone numbers;
 - (c) local rate numbers;
 - (d) mobile numbers
 - (e) special services numbers;
 - (f) access codes.
- (2) The lists of freephone numbers and local rate numbers must specify, for each number, whether the number is a smartnumber.
- (3) The ACMA must make the list for each type of number available to the public.
- (4) The ACMA:
 - (a) may list a number that is held by a carriage service provider; and
 - (b) is not required to list a number that has not been allocated.
 - Note 1: If a number that is held by a carriage service provider is listed, it may be reallocated after it has been surrendered or withdrawn (subject to any business rules about continuing to list such a number).
 - Note 2: Numbers that are not allocated and are not listed are reserved for allocation at some point in the future.
- (5) The ACMA must not list a shared number.

Part 2—Standard procedure for allocation of numbers

48 Application for allocation of numbers

- (1) A registered carriage service provider may apply to the ACMA under this section for the allocation of a number that:
 - (a) is listed by the ACMA under section 47 as available for allocation; and
 - (b) is not held by a carriage service provider; and
 - (c) if the number is a smartnumber—is an assigned unallocated smartnumber.
 - Note: An assigned unallocated smartnumber is a smartnumber for which there is an EROU-holder, but which is not allocated under section 51: see section 5.
- (2) A registered carriage service provider may also apply to the ACMA under this section for the allocation of a number that:
 - (a) is any of the following:
 - (i) a freephone number that is not a smartnumber;
 - (ii) a local rate number that is not a smartnumber;

and

- (b) is held by the carriage service provider; and
- (c) was allocated with effect for 14, 30 or 90 days.
- (3) However, a registered carriage service provider may not apply if:
 - (a) the registered carriage service provider is liable to pay an annual charge or a late payment penalty; and
 - (b) it is at least 3 months after the annual charge became due or the liability to pay the late payment penalty arose; and
 - (c) the annual charge or late payment penalty is unpaid.
- (4) The application must be in a form approved by the ACMA.
- (5) Strict compliance with the approved form is required.
- (6) The application must be accompanied by the charge (if any) for the application fixed by a determination under section 60 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*.
- (7) The registered carriage service provider must tender the amount of charge (if any) imposed on the allocation of the numbers by Part 2 of the *Telecommunications* (*Numbering Charges*) Act 1997.
 - Note: Subsection 457(2) of the Act requires this amount to be refunded if the application is not successful.
- (8) An application is not complete unless it satisfies the requirements of this section and section 49.

49 Application for allocation of numbers-additional requirements

- (1) This section sets out additional requirements for an application under section 48 for an allocation of a number.
- (2) An application for a type of number must be for a multiple of standard units of that number.
 - Note: For the definition of *standard unit*, see section 5. The quantity of numbers in a standard unit, which depends on the type of number, is set out in Schedule 7.

- (3) An application for geographic numbers:
 - (a) must state the standard zone unit for which the numbers are requested; and
 - (b) if the application identifies the numbers that the registered carriage service provider wishes to be allocated—must be for numbers that are specified for use in that standard zone unit.
- (4) An application for a special services number or an access code:
 - (a) must specify the type of service for which the number is requested; and
 - (b) if the application identifies the number or numbers that the registered carriage service provider wishes to be allocated—must be for a number or numbers that are specified for use with that type of service.
- (5) An application for:
 - (a) a freephone number that is not a smartnumber; or
 - (b) a local rate number that is not a smartnumber;

must specify the period of allocation being applied for, in accordance with subsections (6) to (9).

- (6) If the registered carriage service provider does not hold the number, the application may be for an allocation for 14 days, an allocation for 90 days or an allocation without a time limit.
- (7) If the registered carriage service provider holds the number and it was allocated with effect for 14 days, the application may be for:
 - (a) if the previous allocation was the first allocation of the number to the carriage service provider—an allocation for 14 days; or
 - (b) an allocation for 90 days; or
 - (c) an allocation without a time limit.
- (8) If the registered carriage service provider holds the number and it was allocated with effect for 90 days, the application may be for an allocation for 30 days or an allocation without a time limit.
- (9) If the registered carriage service provider holds the number and it was allocated with effect for 30 days, the application must be for an allocation without a time limit.

50 Decision on application

- (1) The ACMA must approve an application made by a registered carriage service provider under section 48 if:
 - (a) the application is complete; and
 - (b) none of the grounds set out in this section for not approving the application apply.
- (2) If the ACMA receives more than one application for allocation of the same number, the ACMA must:
 - (a) make a decision on the applications in the order that the applications were received; and
 - (b) if it approves an application—not approve any later applications.
- (3) The ACMA must not approve an application for the allocation of a carriage service provider identification code if the registered carriage service provider holds a carriage service provider identification code that was allocated on or after 5 September 2013, unless the ACMA is satisfied that special circumstances justify the allocation of the code.

- (4) Subsection (3) does not apply to a registered carriage service provider if there is a registered industry code that applies to the registered carriage service provider that the ACMA has declared is a replacement code for the purposes of this subsection.
- (5) If the ACMA decides not to approve an application for the allocation of a carriage service provider identification code, the ACMA must give written notice of the decision to the registered carriage service provider concerned.
- (6) Despite subsections 48(6) and (7), the ACMA may regard an application as complete for the purposes of subsection (1) if:
 - (a) the ACMA has determined in writing that this subsection applies to the registered carriage service provider; and
 - (b) the ACMA has not revoked the determination.

51 Allocation of numbers

- (1) If the ACMA approves an application made by a registered carriage service provider under section 48 that identifies the number or numbers that the registered carriage service provider wishes to be allocated, the ACMA must allocate those numbers to the registered carriage service provider.
- (2) If the ACMA approves an application that does not identify the number or numbers that the registered carriage service provider wishes to be allocated, the ACMA may select the number or numbers to allocate from the numbers that:
 - (a) are numbers of the type to which the application relates; and
 - (b) are listed under section 47 as numbers that are able to be allocated; and
 - (c) are not already held by a carriage service provider; and
 - (d) in the case of geographic numbers—are specified for use in relation to the standard zone unit to which the application relates; and
 - (e) in the case of special services numbers or access codes—are specified for use with the type of service to which the application relates.
- (3) An allocation under subsection (1) or (2) may be made subject to conditions.
- (4) The ACMA may decide to allocate a number from a specified day or until a specified day.
- (5) The ACMA must notify the registered carriage service provider, in writing, of:
 - (a) the numbers that have been allocated; and
 - (b) the date of allocation; and
 - (c) if applicable—the date the allocation will end; and
 - (d) any conditions to which the allocation is subject.
- (6) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, the ACMA must notify the designated authority, in writing, of the matters mentioned in subsection (5).

52 Particular matters relating to allocation of freephone and local rate numbers

- This section applies to the allocation of the following kinds of numbers under section 51 (when the ACMA approves an application made by a registered carriage service provider under section 48):
 - (a) a freephone number that is not a smartnumber;
 - (b) a local rate number that is not a smartnumber.

- (2) If the application was for an allocation for a set period of time, the ACMA must allocate the number for that period.
- (3) If the application was for an allocation without a time limit:
 - (a) the ACMA must not specify a day that the allocation ends; and
 - (b) the number must be allocated subject to a condition that the number must be issued to a customer or used by the registered carriage service provider no later than 5 business days after the date of the notice under subsection 51(5); and
 - (c) the notice must state that if the number is not issued or used the ACMA may withdraw the number.

Part 3—Application for allocation of numbers in special circumstances

53 Application for allocation of numbers

- (1) A registered carriage service provider may apply to the ACMA under this section for the allocation of a number or numbers if:
 - (a) the number or numbers have not been listed by the ACMA under section 47 as available for allocation; or
 - (b) the application is not for a multiple of standard units of the type of number applied for.
 - Note: For the definition of *standard unit*, see section 5. The quantity of numbers in a standard unit, which depends on the type of number, is set out in Schedule 7.
- (2) However, a registered carriage service provider may not apply if:
 - (a) the registered carriage service provider is liable to pay an annual charge or a late payment penalty; and
 - (b) it is at least 3 months after the annual charge became due or the liability to pay the late payment penalty arose; and
 - (c) the annual charge or late payment penalty is unpaid.
- (3) A registered carriage service provider may not apply for the allocation of a shared number.
- (4) The application must be in a form approved by the ACMA.
- (5) An application for a freephone number or a local rate number must specify whether it is for:
 - (a) an allocation for 14 days; or
 - (b) an allocation for 90 days; or
 - (c) an allocation without a time limit.
- (6) The application must be accompanied by the charge (if any) for the application fixed by a determination under section 60 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*.
- (7) The registered carriage service provider must tender the amount of charge (if any) imposed on the allocation of the numbers by Part 2 of the *Telecommunications* (*Numbering Charges*) Act 1997.
 - Note: Subsection 457(2) of the Act requires this amount to be refunded if the application is not successful.

54 Decision on application

- (1) The ACMA must make a decision to approve or not to approve an application made by a registered carriage service provider under section 53 no later than 60 business days after receiving the application.
- (2) Unless subsection 54(3) applies, the ACMA may approve an application if the ACMA is satisfied that it is appropriate to do so in all the circumstances.
- (3) Subject to subsection (4), if the application relates to a freephone or local rate number and is made:

- (a) by the registered carriage service provider that was the last registered carriage service provider who held the number; and
- (b) for the purpose of issuing the number to the customer that was the last customer to whom the number was issued;

the ACMA must approve the application.

- (4) However, the ACMA must decide not to approve an application that identifies the number or numbers that the registered carriage service provider wishes to be allocated if:
 - (a) the identified numbers are not numbers of the type to which the application relates; or
 - (b) the identified numbers are held by a carriage service provider.
- (5) If the ACMA receives more than one request for allocation of the same number, the ACMA must make a decision on the requests in the order that the requests were received, unless the circumstances in subsection (3) apply.
- (6) Despite subsections 53(6) and (7), the ACMA may regard an application as complete for the purposes of subsection (1) if the circumstances in subsection 54(3) apply and:
 - (a) the ACMA has determined in writing that this subsection applies to the registered carriage service provider; and
 - (b) the ACMA has not revoked the determination.
- (7) If the ACMA does not make a decision within the period required under subsection (1), the ACMA is taken to have made a decision to refuse the application under subsection (1).

55 Matters to take into account

- In considering under subsection 54(2) whether it is appropriate in all the circumstances to approve an application made by a registered carriage service provider under section 53, the ACMA must take the following into account:
 - (a) the efficient use of a number, to enable future requirements for numbers to be met at the least cost to carriage service providers and customers;
 - (b) the desirability of promoting access by end-users to a range of carriage services and carriage service providers;
 - (c) the desirability of promoting flexible management by carriage service providers of any expansion in the use of numbers in connection with the supply of the carriage service for which the number is to be allocated;
 - (d) the objects of this instrument.
- (2) The ACMA may take into account any other matter that it considers relevant.

56 ACMA may ask for further information

- (1) The ACMA may, in writing, ask a registered carriage service provider who has made an application under section 53 to give the ACMA further information about matters relevant to the application to assist it to consider the application.
- (2) The 60 business days mentioned in subsection 54(1) do not include a period:
 - (a) starting when the ACMA asks the registered carriage service provider for further information; and
 - (b) ending when the ACMA receives the information.

- (3) The registered carriage service provider must give the further information to the ACMA in writing unless the ACMA specifies in the request another form in which the information must be received.
- (4) If the registered carriage service provider does not give the ACMA the further information within the period of 40 business days after the ACMA's request, the registered carriage service provider is taken to have withdrawn the application.

57 Notice that application has not been approved

If the ACMA decides not to approve an application made by a registered carriage service provider under section 53, the ACMA must notify the registered carriage service provider in writing.

58 Allocation of numbers

- (1) If the ACMA approves an application made by a registered carriage service provider under section 53 that identifies the number or numbers that the registered carriage service provider wishes to be allocated, the ACMA must allocate those numbers to the registered carriage service provider.
- (2) If the ACMA approves an application that does not identify the number or numbers that the registered carriage service provider wishes to be allocated, the ACMA may select the number or numbers to allocate from the numbers that:
 - (a) are numbers of the type to which the application relates; and
 - (b) are not held by a carriage service provider; and
 - (c) in the case of geographic numbers—are specified for use in the standard zone unit to which the application relates; and
 - (d) in the case of special services numbers or access codes—are specified for use with the type of service to which the application relates.
- (3) An allocation under subsection (1) or (2) may be made subject to conditions.
- (4) The ACMA may decide to allocate a number with effect from or until a date specified in the decision.
- (5) The ACMA must notify the registered carriage service provider of:
 - (a) the numbers that have been allocated; and
 - (b) the date of allocation; and
 - (c) if applicable—the date from and/or until which the allocation of the number is to have effect; and
 - (d) any conditions to which the allocation is subject.
- (6) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, the ACMA must notify the designated authority of the matters in subsection (5).

59 Particular matters relating to allocation of freephone and local rate numbers

- (1) This section applies to the allocation of a freephone number or local rate number under section 58 (when the ACMA approves an application made by a registered carriage service provider under section 53).
- (2) If the application was for an allocation for a set period of time, the ACMA must allocate the number for that period.
- (3) If the application was for an allocation without a time limit:

- (a) the ACMA must not specify a day that the allocation ends; and
- (b) the number must be allocated subject to a condition that the number must be issued to a customer or used by the registered carriage service provider no later than 5 business days after the date of the notice under subsection 58(5); and
- (c) the notice must state that if the number is not issued or used the ACMA may withdraw the number.

Part 4—Variation of standard zone units to which geographic numbers are allocated

60 Application by carriage service provider for variation of allocation

- (1) A registered carriage service provider may apply to the ACMA, in writing, to vary the standard zone unit to which one or more geographic numbers are allocated.
- (2) The application must be in a form approved by the ACMA.
- (3) The application must:
 - (a) identify the standard zone unit to which the numbers are allocated; and
 - (b) be for a multiple of 100 numbers; and
 - (c) include an explanation of how and why the standard zone unit is inappropriate.
- (4) The application must be accompanied by the charge (if any) for the application fixed by a determination under section 60 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*.

61 Decision on application

- (1) The ACMA must decide to approve or not to approve an application under section 60 no later than 10 business days after the day on which the application is received by the ACMA, but may, if the ACMA needs to consult on the application, extend that period to a total of no more than 40 business days by giving notice in writing of the extension to the applicant.
- (2) The ACMA must decide not to approve an application under section 60 to vary the standard zone unit (the *first standard zone unit*) to which one or more geographic numbers are allocated if the ACMA is satisfied of any of the following:
 - (a) the numbers were deliberately issued for use in an inappropriate standard zone unit;
 - (b) the variation would be inconsistent with the number analysis capabilities of telecommunications networks operated in Australia;
 - (c) the numbers do not relate to:
 - (i) the charging district (the *terminating charging district*) in which calls to the numbers terminate, or appear to terminate, for charging purposes; or
 - (ii) a standard zone unit that is adjacent to the first standard zone unit and is in a charging district that has the same prefix as the terminating charging district;
 - (d) the use of the numbers would substantially reduce the geographic significance of the numbers;
 - (e) the decision to vary the allocation would have disadvantages, for another carriage service provider, customer or end-user, that outweigh the advantages of varying the numbers.
- (3) The ACMA may approve an application to vary the standard zone unit to which one or more geographic numbers are allocated if:
 - (a) the ACMA is satisfied that the carriage service provider making the application has issued the numbers; and
 - (b) the carriage service provider has given the ACMA adequate information to allow the ACMA to make the decision;
 - unless the ACMA is required not to approve the application under subsection (2).

- (4) The ACMA must notify the carriage service provider of its decision in writing.
- (5) If the ACMA does not make a decision within the period required under subsection (1), the ACMA is taken to have made a decision to refuse the application.
- (6) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, the ACMA must notify the designated authority of its decision.

62 Request for further information

- (1) The ACMA may, in writing, ask a registered carriage provider who has made an application under section 60 to give the ACMA further information, no later than 30 business days after the request, on the matters to which the application relates, to allow the ACMA to consider the application.
- (2) The period mentioned in subsection 61(1) does not include a period:
 - (a) starting when the ACMA asks the carriage service provider for further information; and
 - (b) ending when the ACMA receives the information.
- (3) If the applicant does not give the ACMA the information within the period of 30 business days after the request, the applicant is taken to have withdrawn the application at the end of that period.

Chapter 7—Special rules about smartnumbers

Part 1—Special procedure for initial allocation of smartnumbers

63 Application for initial allocation of smartnumbers

- (1) A registered carriage service provider and a person (the *EROU applicant*) may jointly apply to the ACMA under this section for the initial allocation of an unassigned unallocated smartnumber.
 - Note 1: Assigned unallocated smartnumbers are allocated under Part 2 of Chapter 6: see sections 48 to 52.
 - Note 2: A number allocated under section 65 as a result of an application under this section can become an unassigned unallocated smartnumber again (and another application may be made in respect of it under this section) if the enhanced rights of use are cancelled: see sections 74 to 76, or waived: see section 72.
- (2) The application must be in a form approved by the ACMA.
- (3) Strict compliance with the approved form is required.
- (4) The application must be accompanied by the charge (if any) for the application fixed by a determination under section 60 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*.
- (5) The amount of charge (if any) imposed on the allocation of the smartnumbers by Part 2 of the *Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Act 1997* must be paid when the application is made. The charge may be paid by the EROU applicant on behalf of the registered carriage service provider.
- (6) An application is not complete unless it satisfies the requirements of this section.

64 Decision on application

- (1) The ACMA must approve an application made under subsection 63(1) if the application is complete, unless the ground set out in paragraph (2)(b) applies.
- (2) If the ACMA receives more than one application for allocation of the same smartnumber, the ACMA must:
 - (a) make a decision on the applications in the order that the applications were received; and
 - (b) if it approves an application—not approve any later applications.
- (3) If the ACMA decides not to approve an application under subsection 63(1), the ACMA must give written notice of the decision to the registered carriage service provider and the EROU applicant.

65 Initial allocation of smartnumbers

- (1) If the ACMA approves an application made under subsection 63(1), the ACMA must allocate the smartnumber specified in the application to the registered carriage service provider that applied with the EROU applicant.
- (2) At the time when the ACMA allocates the smartnumber to the registered carriage service provider, the EROU applicant becomes the *EROU-holder* for the smartnumber.

- (3) Immediately after the ACMA allocates the smartnumber to the registered carriage service provider:
 - (a) the allocation is taken to have been surrendered; and
 - (b) the smartnumber becomes an assigned unallocated smartnumber.
- (4) The ACMA must notify the EROU-holder:
 - (a) that the smartnumber was allocated to the registered carriage service provider and that the allocation ceased immediately after the smartnumber was allocated; and
 - (b) that until the smartnumber is allocated under subsection 65(1), the smartnumber is an assigned unallocated smartnumber; and
 - (c) of the date of the allocation and cessation.
- (5) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, the ACMA must notify the designated authority of the matters mentioned in subsection (4).
- (6) The ACMA must update the register of smartnumbers (see section 68).

Section 66

Part 2—Enhanced rights of use

66 Enhanced rights of use

- (1) The following enhanced rights of use for a smartnumber are conferred on the EROU-holder for the smartnumber:
 - (a) the right to request a registered carriage service provider (which may be the provider that was the joint applicant under section 63 or another provider) to supply a carriage service on the smartnumber;
 - (b) the right to trade the enhanced rights of use, as set out in section 69;
 - (c) the right to ask a registered carriage service provider to surrender the smartnumber, as set out in section 70;
 - (d) the right to give up all rights in relation to the smartnumber;
 - (e) except as set out in section 75, the right to have no active service in place for the smartnumber;
 - (f) the right to ask a registered carriage service provider to apply for the allocation of the smartnumber under section 48, if it is an assigned unallocated smart number;
 - (g) the right to disconnection of an active service on the smartnumber at any time.
- (2) The right to disconnection of an active service does not affect the validity of any agreement for the delivery of services between the person to whom the services are provided and the carriage service provider concerned.
- (3) A carriage service provider need not act on a request by a person purporting to be the EROU-holder unless the carriage service provider is satisfied that the person who made the request is the current EROU-holder. For the purpose of being so satisfied, the carriage service provider is entitled to rely on the register of smartnumbers.

67 Reallocation and issue

- (1) This section applies if:
 - (a) the allocation of a smartnumber:
 - (i) is taken to have been surrendered under paragraph 65(3)(a); or
 - (ii) has been surrendered under section 70; or
 - (iii) has been withdrawn under Part 3 of Chapter 8; and
 - (b) the EROU-holder for the smartnumber requests a registered carriage service provider (which may be the provider that was the joint applicant under section 63 for the smartnumber, or another provider) to apply to have the smartnumber allocated to the provider.
- (2) The registered carriage service provider must apply for the allocation of the smartnumber under section 48.
- (3) The registered carriage service provider must issue the smartnumber to the EROU-holder as soon as practicable after:
 - (a) the smartnumber has been allocated to the carriage service provider; and
 - (b) the carriage service provider and the EROU-holder have agreed about the delivery of services for the smartnumber.

68 Register of smartnumbers

(1) The ACMA must maintain a register of smartnumbers.

- (2) The register is to contain the following information for each smartnumber for which there is an EROU-holder:
 - (a) the smartnumber;
 - (b) the name of the EROU-holder for the smartnumber;
 - (c) if the EROU-holder agrees, the EROU-holder's address, telephone number and email address.
- (3) The EROU-holder for a smartnumber must update the register, using the form made available by the ACMA, with any change in the EROU-holder's address, telephone number or email address which are contained in the register.
- (4) A person who becomes the EROU-holder for a smartnumber as the result of a trade must update the register, using the form made available by the ACMA, with the EROU-holder's name and, if the EROU-holder agrees, the EROU-holder's address, telephone number and email address.
- (5) The ACMA must make the register available to the public.
- (6) The register may be in electronic form.
- (7) The ACMA may correct any error or omission in the register information about the EROU-holder for a smartnumber.

69 Trading the enhanced rights of use and licensing a smartnumber

- (1) The EROU-holder for a smartnumber may trade all the EROU-holder's enhanced rights of use. However, this does not entitle the EROU-holder to trade only some of the enhanced rights of use.
 - Note: The surrender of the smartnumber does not prevent the EROU-holder from trading the enhanced rights of use for the smartnumber.
- (2) The EROU-holder for a smartnumber may license another person to have an active service on the smartnumber.
 - Note: A carriage service provider must not hinder the porting of a smartnumber: see section 103.
- (3) A trade of the enhanced rights of use does not come into effect until the ACMA is notified of the trade in the form approved by the ACMA.
 - Note: A person who becomes the EROU-holder as the result of a trade must ensure that the Register contains accurate information: see section 68.
- (4) Strict compliance with the approved form is required.
- (5) The carriage service provider to which the smartnumber is allocated must not do anything to hinder the trading of the enhanced rights of use or the licensing of the smartnumber.

70 Application to surrender smartnumber

- (1) A carriage service provider that holds a smartnumber may apply to the ACMA to surrender the smartnumber if there is no carriage service being provided using the smartnumber.
- (2) If the EROU-holder for the smartnumber makes a request to the carriage service provider to surrender the smartnumber, and there is no carriage service being provided, the carriage service provider must make an application to the ACMA no later than 5 business days after receiving the request.

Note: The EROU-holder retains the rights to trade the enhanced rights of use for the smartnumber and to ask a carriage service provider to apply for allocation of the smartnumber: see section 66.

- (3) The application must be in a form approved by the ACMA.
- (4) Strict compliance with the approved form is required.
- (5) The application must be accompanied by the charge (if any) for the application fixed by a determination under section 60 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*.

71 Decision on application to surrender smartnumber

The ACMA must make a decision on an application made by a carriage service provider under section 70 no later than 10 business days after receiving the application.

72 Notice of decision

- (1) As soon as practicable after making a decision on an application by a carriage service provider under section 70, the ACMA must notify the carriage service provider of the decision in writing.
- (2) If the ACMA approves the application, the ACMA must:
 - (a) notify the carriage service provider of the date of surrender; and
 - (b) if the ACMA is not the designated authority—notify the designated authority of the smartnumber surrendered and the date of surrender.
- (3) The date of surrender must be the date of the ACMA's decision.
- (4) If the ACMA does not make a decision within the period referred to in section 71, the ACMA is taken to have made a decision under section 71 to refuse the application.

73 Waiver of enhanced rights of use

- (1) The EROU-holder for an assigned unallocated smartnumber may notify the ACMA, in a form approved by the ACMA, that the EROU-holder no longer wants the enhanced rights of use for the smartnumber.
 - Note: If an EROU-holder wants to give a notice in respect of an allocated smartnumber, the EROU-holder would need to request that the carriage service provider surrender the smartnumber: see section 70.
- (2) Strict compliance with the approved form is required.
- (3) At the time when the ACMA receives a notice under subsection (1):
 - (a) the smartnumber becomes an unassigned unallocated smartnumber; and
 - (b) the EROU-holder ceases to be the EROU-holder for the smartnumber.
 - Note: An application for the initial allocation of an unassigned unallocated smartnumber must be made under section 63.

74 Cancellation of enhanced rights of use—false statement

- (1) This section applies if the EROU-holder for a smartnumber was the joint applicant for the smartnumber and is convicted of making a false statement (within the meaning of subsection 136(1) of the *Criminal Code*) in the application.
- (2) The ACMA must:
 - (a) cancel the enhanced rights of use; and

- (b) withdraw the smartnumber from the carriage service provider.
- (3) The ACMA must notify the EROU-holder for the smartnumber of its decision in writing.
- (4) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, the ACMA must notify the designated authority of its decision.

75 Cancellation of enhanced rights of use-no allocation for 3 years

- (1) The ACMA must cancel the enhanced rights of use for a smartnumber if it has been an assigned unallocated smartnumber for a continuous period of 3 years.
- (2) The ACMA must notify the EROU-holder for the smartnumber of its decision in writing.

76 Cancellation of enhanced rights of use – scam or fraudulent activity

- (1) The ACMA may cancel the EROU for a smartnumber if:
 - (a) the ACMA has reasonable grounds to believe that the number has been used or is likely to be used in association with a scam communication or other fraudulent activity; and
 - (b) the ACMA is satisfied that the benefits of withdrawing the number, or the problems to be avoided by withdrawing the number, are more significant for endusers and carriage service providers than any adverse technical and financial consequences of withdrawing the number.
- (2) If the ACMA decides to cancel the EROU for a smartnumber under subsection (1), the ACMA must notify the EROU-holder for the smartnumber of its decision in writing, specifying the reasons for the decision and the date on which the EROU is proposed to be cancelled.
- (3) The period between the date of the notice and the date on which the EROU is to be cancelled must be at least 5 business days.
- (4) At the end of the period specified in the notice, the ACMA must:
 - (a) cancel the enhanced rights of use; and
 - (b) withdraw the smartnumber from the carriage service provider.
- (5) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, the ACMA must notify the designated authority of its decision.

Chapter 8—Transfer, surrender and withdrawal of numbers

Part 1—Transfer of numbers

77 Transfer process

- (1) A registered carriage service provider that holds a number (other than an international signalling point code or a mobile network code) may transfer the number to another registered carriage service provider with the agreement of the receiving carriage service provider.
- (2) A carriage service provider may only transfer numbers in a standard unit or in a multiple of a standard unit.
- (3) However, a freephone number or local rate number that is allocated with effect for 14, 30 or 90 days must not be transferred.
- (4) The ACMA must be given notice of the transfer in a form approved by the ACMA.
- (5) Strict compliance with the approved form is required.
- (6) The notice of transfer must be accompanied by the charge (if any) in relation to the notice fixed by a determination under section 60 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*.
- (7) The transfer takes effect when the ACMA acknowledges receipt of the completed notice of transfer.
- (8) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, the ACMA must notify the designated authority of the transfer of the number and the date of transfer.

78 Transfer not to affect customer's right to use number

If a number is transferred from a carriage service provider to another carriage service provider, the providers must ensure that the transfer does not affect a customer's ability to use the number.

Part 2—Surrender of numbers

79 Application to surrender numbers

- (1) A carriage service provider that holds a number (other than a smartnumber, an international signalling point code or a mobile network code) may apply to the ACMA to surrender the number if no carriage service is being provided using the number.
 - Note 1: Section 70 deals with the surrender of smartnumbers.
 - Note 2: Section 44 deals with the surrender of international signalling point codes and mobile network codes.
- (2) The application must be in a form approved by the ACMA.
- (3) Strict compliance with the approved form is required.
- (4) The application must be accompanied by the charge (if any) for the application fixed by a determination under section 60 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*.

80 Decision on application to surrender numbers

- (1) The ACMA must make a decision on an application made by a carriage service provider under section 79 no later than 10 business days after receiving the application.
- (2) If the units of the numbers to which the application relates are not a multiple of standard units for the type of number, the ACMA must decide not to approve the application unless it is satisfied of each of the following:
 - (a) that the surrender of the numbers is consistent with the current number analysis capabilities of telecommunications networks operated in Australia; and
 - (b) that the carriage service provider is unable to surrender numbers as a multiple of standard units, or would be significantly disadvantaged or inconvenienced by being required to surrender the numbers as a multiple of standard units; and
 - (c) that it is appropriate to allow the surrender of the numbers in all the circumstances.
- (3) In considering whether it is appropriate to allow the surrender of the numbers for the purposes of paragraph (2)(c) the ACMA may take into account any matter that it considers relevant and may, in writing, ask the carriage service provider who lodged the application to give the ACMA further information about the matters to which application relates.
- (4) The period mentioned in subsection (1) does not include a period:
 - (a) starting when the ACMA asks the carriage service provider for further information; and
 - (b) ending when the ACMA receives the information.
- (5) If the applicant does not give the ACMA the information within a period of 30 business days after the request, the applicant is taken to have withdrawn the application at the end of that period.
- (6) The ACMA must approve an application unless it is required not to approve it under subsection (2).

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81 Notice of decision

- (1) As soon as practicable after making a decision on an application by a carriage service provider under section 79, the ACMA must notify the carriage service provider of the decision in writing.
- (2) If the ACMA approves the application, the ACMA must:
 - (a) notify the carriage service provider of the date of surrender; and
 - (b) if the ACMA is not the designated authority—notify the designated authority of the numbers surrendered and the date of surrender.
- (3) The date of surrender must be the date of the ACMA's decision.
- (4) If the ACMA does not make a decision within the period referred to in subsection 80(1), the ACMA is taken to have made a decision under subsection 80(1) to refuse the application on the eleventh business day after receiving the application under section 79.

Part 3—Withdrawal of numbers

82 Inconsistency with numbering plan

- (1) The ACMA may withdraw a number (other than an international signalling point code or a mobile network code) if:
 - (a) the number has been allocated, transferred, issued or used in a way that is inconsistent with this instrument; and
 - (b) the ACMA is satisfied that the benefits of withdrawing the number, or the problems to be avoided by withdrawing the number, are more significant for end-users and carriage service providers than the technical and financial consequences of withdrawing the number.
- (2) If the ACMA decides to withdraw a number under subsection (1), the ACMA must give written notice of the decision to the carriage service provider that holds the number.
- (3) The notice must set out the reasons for the decision and specify the date on which the number is to be withdrawn.
- (4) The period between the date of the notice and the date on which the number is to be withdrawn must be at least the shorter of the following periods:
 - (a) 44 business days plus the period for which, at the date of the notice, the carriage service provider has held the number;
 - (b) 14 months.
- (5) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, then the ACMA must notify the designated authority of a decision to withdraw a number as soon as reasonably practicable after the decision is made.

83 Inconsistency with conditions

- (1) The ACMA may withdraw a number (other than an international signalling point code or a mobile network code) if:
 - (a) the number has been transferred, issued or used in a way that is inconsistent with conditions placed by the ACMA on the allocation of the number; and
 - (b) the ACMA is satisfied that the benefits of withdrawing the number, or the problems to be avoided by withdrawing the number, are more significant for end-users and carriage service providers than the technical and financial consequences of withdrawing the number.
- (2) If the ACMA decides to withdraw a number under subsection (1), the ACMA must give written notice of the decision to the carriage service provider that holds the number.
- (3) The notice must set out the reasons for the decision and specify the date on which the number is to be withdrawn.
- (4) The period between the date of the notice and the date on which the number is to be withdrawn must be at least the shorter of the following periods:
 - (a) the period for which, at the date of the notice, the carriage service provider has held the number;
 - (b) 1 year.
- (5) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, then the ACMA must notify the designated authority of a decision to withdraw a number as soon as reasonably practicable after the decision is made.

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84 Scam or fraudulent activity

- (1) The ACMA may withdraw a number (other than an international signalling point code or a mobile network code) if:
 - (a) the ACMA has reasonable grounds to believe that the number has been used or is likely to be used in association with a scam communication or other fraudulent activity; and
 - (b) the ACMA is satisfied that the benefits of withdrawing the number, or the problems to be avoided by withdrawing the number, are more significant for end-users and carriage service providers than any adverse technical and financial consequences of withdrawing the number.
- (2) If the ACMA decides to withdraw a number under subsection (1), the ACMA must give written notice of the withdrawal to the carriage service provider that holds the number.
- (3) The notice must set out reasons for the withdrawal and specify the date on which the number is to be withdrawn.
- (4) The period between the date of the notice and the date on which the number is to be withdrawn must be at least 5 business days.
- (5) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, then the ACMA must notify the designated authority of a decision to withdraw the number as soon as reasonably practicable after the decision is made.

85 Non-payment of annual numbering charge

- (1) The ACMA may withdraw a number held by a carriage service provider if:
 - (a) annual charge is payable under the *Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Act* 1997 by the carriage service provider for any number held by the provider; and
 - (b) the charge remains unpaid at least 3 months after the charge became payable; and
 - (c) the ACMA is satisfied the carriage service provider is aware of the liability; and
 - (d) the ACMA is satisfied the withdrawal of the number will not produce any significant adverse consequences for end-users.
- (2) Despite subsection (1), the ACMA must not withdraw a number under that subsection if:
 - (a) the number is exempt from annual charge under section 22 of the *Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Act 1997* (including under a determination under that section); or
 - (b) the rate of annual charge for the number is nil.
- (3) If the ACMA decides to withdraw a number under subsection (1), the ACMA must give written notice of the decision to the carriage service provider.
- (4) The notice must set out the reasons for the decision and specify the date on which the number is to be withdrawn.
- (5) The period between the date of the notice and the date on which the number is to be withdrawn must be at least 20 business days.
- (6) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, then the ACMA must notify the designated authority of a decision to withdraw a number as soon as reasonably practicable after the decision is made.

86 Withdrawal of numbers not in use

- (1) The ACMA may withdraw a number (other than an international signalling point code or a mobile network code) held by a carriage service provider if:
 - (a) either:
 - (i) the number has been held by the carriage service provider for a period of at least 24 months, and the number has not been in use in that period; or
 - (ii) the number has been held by the carriage service provider for a period of less than 24 months, and the ACMA reasonably believes that the number will not be in use before the number has been held for 24 months; and
 - (b) the ACMA reasonably believes that the number is additional to those needed by the carriage service provider for its ongoing business needs; and
 - (c) the ACMA reasonably believes that the benefits of withdrawing the number, or the problems to be avoided by withdrawing the number, are greater than the costs of withdrawal.
- (2) Before making a decision under subsection (1) to withdraw a number held by a carriage service provider, the ACMA must give the carriage service provider a notice in writing that:
 - (a) states that the ACMA proposes withdrawing the number; and
 - (b) states the reasons the ACMA proposes withdrawing the number; and
 - (c) informs the carriage service provider that it may object, in writing, to the proposed withdrawal of the number in the period of 20 business days after the date of the ACMA's notice of the proposed withdrawal (the *objection period*).
- (3) In deciding whether to withdraw the number, the ACMA must consider any objection given to it by the carriage service provider during the objection period.
- (4) The ACMA must make a decision whether to withdraw the number:
 - (a) if the ACMA receives an objection during the objection period—within the period of 20 business days after the day the ACMA receives the objection; and
 - (b) if the ACMA does not receive an objection during the objection period—within the period of 20 business days after the end of the objection period.
- (5) The ACMA must notify the carriage service provider of its decision in writing.
- (6) If the ACMA decides to withdraw the number, the notice must set out the reasons for the decision and specify the date on which the number is to be withdrawn.
- (7) If the ACMA does not make a decision within the period required under subsection (4), the ACMA is taken to have made a decision under subsection (1) to withdraw the number.
- (8) The period between the date of the notice under subsection (5) and the date on which the number is to be withdrawn must be at least 20 business days.
- (9) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, then the ACMA must notify the designated authority of a decision to withdraw a number as soon as reasonably practicable after the decision is made.

87 Cessation of business

- (1) The ACMA may withdraw a number held by an entity that was a carriage service provider if the ACMA is satisfied that:
 - (a) the entity is no longer a carriage service provider; and

- (b) there are no proposed arrangements for the permanent transfer of the number to another registered carriage service provider.
- (2) If the ACMA decides to withdraw a number under subsection (1), the ACMA must give written notice of the decision to the entity.
- (3) The notice must set out the reasons for the decision and specify the date on which the number is to be withdrawn.
- (4) The period between the date of the notice and the date on which the number is to be withdrawn must be at least 20 business days.
- (5) If the ACMA is not the designated authority, then the ACMA must notify the designated authority of a decision to withdraw a number as soon as reasonably practicable after the decision is made.

88 End of allocation period

If a number is allocated until a specified day, the number is withdrawn at the end of that day.

Note: In addition to the provisions in this Part, sections 74 and 76 also provide for the withdrawal of a smartnumber, and section 43 provides for the withdrawal of an international signalling point code or a mobile network code.

Chapter 9—Obligations of carriage service providers

Part 1—Recall and issue of replacement numbers

89 Recall of issued number and issue of replacement number

- (1) A carriage service provider may recall an issued number (the *current number*), from a customer and issue the customer with a replacement number only if:
 - (a) recall and replacement is required by law; or
 - (b) the customer asks for recall and replacement; or
 - (c) the customer agrees to recall and replacement; or
 - (d) recall and replacement would avoid the need to modify or replace plant or equipment in a way that would:
 - (i) have significant technical and financial consequences for the carriage service provider or its customers; or
 - (ii) cause significant difficulties for the customer; or
 - (e) the ACMA approves an application by the carriage service provider under section 90.
- (2) The carriage service provider must notify the customer of:
 - (a) the carriage service provider's intention to recall the current number and issue the customer with a replacement number; and
 - (b) the date on which recall and replacement will occur.
- (3) The period between the date of the notice and the date on which recall and replacement will occur must not be less than 90 days.
- (4) However, the period may be a shorter reasonable period if:
 - (a) the customer asked for recall and replacement; or
 - (b) the customer agreed to a shorter period; or
 - (c) the number is recalled under subsection (1), and it is not reasonably practicable to give the period of notice required by subsection (3).

90 Application to recall issued number and issue replacement number

- (1) A carriage service provider may apply to the ACMA for approval to recall an issued number from a customer and issue the customer with a replacement number.
- (2) The application must be in writing and include the reasons the carriage service provider wishes to recall a number and issue a replacement number.
- (3) The ACMA must make a decision to approve or not to approve recall and replacement no later than 65 business days after receiving the application.
- (4) The ACMA may ask the carriage service provider, in writing, to give it further information on any matters relevant to the ACMA's consideration of the application.
- (5) The 65 business days mentioned in subsection (3) do not include a period:
 - (a) starting when the ACMA asks the carriage service provider for further information; and
 - (b) ending when the ACMA receives the information.

- (6) In considering the application, the ACMA may have regard to any matter that the ACMA considers relevant.
- (7) The ACMA may consult an advisory committee or the ACCC about the application.
- (8) The ACMA must give written notice of the ACMA's decision to the carriage service provider concerned.
- (9) If the ACMA does not make a decision within the period required under subsection (3), the ACMA is taken to have made a decision to refuse the application under subsection (3).

91 Recall of issued number without issue of replacement number

A carriage service provider may recall an issued number from a customer without issuing a replacement number only if:

- (a) the customer asks in writing for the number to be recalled; or
- (b) the customer agrees in writing to the number being recalled; or
- (c) the customer asks in writing for the number to be issued to another customer; or
- (d) the customer agrees in writing to the number being issued to another customer; or
- (e) the carriage service provider ceases to offer the kind of carriage service associated with the number; or
- (f) the carriage service provider ceases to offer the carriage service in the customer's location; or
- (g) the supply of the carriage service to the customer is otherwise terminated; or
- (h) the customer has not subscribed, within a reasonable time, to the carriage service for which the number was issued; or
- (i) the number was issued to the customer on the condition that it would be recalled on or from a specified date; or
- (j) the ACMA directs the carriage service provider to recall the number.
- Note: The ACMA may give written directions to a carriage service provider: see section 581 of the Act.

92 Restriction on reissuing recalled number

- (1) A number that was recalled from a customer by a carriage service provider because of nuisance calls must not be issued to another customer for a period of 1 year from the day it was recalled.
- (2) A number that was recalled from a customer (the *previous customer*) for any other reason must not be issued to another customer (the *new customer*) for a period of 6 months from the day it was recalled, unless:
 - (a) the carriage service provider does not hold any other suitable numbers and the new customer:
 - (i) is informed that the number has been recalled from the previous customer within the previous 6 months; and
 - (ii) agrees to be issued the number; or
 - (b) for a geographic number—the new customer moves into premises at which calls to the number previously terminated, and does not ask for a new number when service is established; or
 - (c) the number is to be moved from the previous customer to the new customer, and the new customer and the carriage service provider agree to the issue of the number.

Part 2—General obligations of carriage service providers

93 Use of numbers not to be subject to certain conditions

A carriage service provider must not make the use of a number by a customer subject to any of the following conditions:

- (a) a condition that the customer must discharge a debt owed to the carriage service provider by a customer who was previously issued the number;
- (b) a condition that the customer must not request to port the number to another carriage service provider;
- (c) a condition that the customer must not change carriage service providers.

94 Carriage service provider must not issue a number that it has not been allocated

A carriage service provider must not issue a number to a customer unless the carriage service provider holds the number.

95 Notice of carriage service provider's obligations

- (1) A carriage service provider must notify a customer, in writing, within 6 months of issuing a number to the customer:
 - (a) that the carriage service provider has obligations in relation to the use of the number; and
 - (b) that the customer can obtain information about the obligations; and
 - (c) of how to obtain the information.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply if:
 - (a) the customer has previously been issued a number by the carriage service provider; and
 - (b) the information that the customer can obtain has not changed since the carriage service provider last issued a number to the customer.
- (3) The information that customers of the carriage service provider can obtain must explain the carriage service provider's obligations under this Chapter.
- (4) The information must be included in any telephone directory published by the carriage service provider.

Part 3—Exemptions

96 Application for exemption from obligation in this Chapter

- (1) A carriage service provider may apply to the ACMA for an exemption from a provision of this Chapter.
- (2) The application may be for an exemption from complying with an obligation in relation to:
 - (a) all customers; or
 - (b) a class of customers.
- (3) The application must be in writing.
- (4) The ACMA must make a decision to grant or not to grant the exemption no later than 65 business days after receiving the application.
- (5) The ACMA may ask the carriage service provider, in writing, to give it further information on matters relevant to its consideration of the application.
- (6) The 65 business days mentioned in subsection (4) do not include a period:
 - (a) starting when the ACMA asks the carriage service provider for further information; and
 - (b) ending when the ACMA receives the information.
- (7) In considering the application, the ACMA may have regard to any matter that the ACMA considers relevant.
- (8) The ACMA may consult an advisory committee or the ACCC about the application.
- (9) The ACMA must give written notice of the ACMA's decision to the carriage service provider concerned.
- (10) If the ACMA does not make a decision within the period required under subsection (4), the ACMA is taken to have made a decision to refuse the application under subsection (4).

97 Replacement of provisions by industry code

Each of the following provisions does not apply to a carriage service provider if there is a registered industry code that applies to the carriage service provider that in the ACMA's opinion has substantially the same effect as the provision:

- (a) section 89;
- (b) section 91;
- (c) section 92;
- (d) section 93;
- (e) section 95.

Chapter 10—Number portability

Part 1—Implementation dates

98 Determining implementation dates

- (1) The ACMA may determine the date (an *implementation date*) by which a carrier or carriage service provider must implement number portability for portable services in relation to one or more customers.
- (2) In making a determination under subsection (1), the ACMA must have regard to the following matters:
 - (a) the network capacity of the carrier or carriage service provider;
 - (b) the support systems available to the carrier or carriage service provider;
 - (c) other matters that are relevant to giving effect to number portability.

99 Public notice period for implementation date

At least 44 business days before an implementation date, the ACMA must cause to be published on the ACMA's website a notice stating:

- (a) the implementation date; and
- (b) the portable services to which the implementation date relates.

100 Application of Chapter to carriage service providers and carriers

The obligations under this Chapter imposed on a carriage service provider or carrier in relation to a portable number apply on and after the implementation date for the portable service to which the number relates.

Part 2—Providing portability

101 Technical capability and technology

A carriage service provider or carrier that is involved with providing a portable service must ensure that:

- (a) it has the technical capability required to give effect to number portability for the portable service; and
- (b) it has technology available for use within its network to give effect to the requirements of this instrument relating to number portability in a way that provides equivalent service and enables end-to-end connectivity.

102 Meaning of equivalent service

- (1) A carriage service provider provides an *equivalent service* in relation to a ported number only if any differences in quality, reliability, service or features, between that service and the service provided by the carriage service provider in relation to a number that has not been ported, are not apparent to end-users using or calling the ported number to the extent that they might affect a person's choice of carriage service provider.
- (2) In determining whether a carriage service is an equivalent service, regard may be had to the following matters:
 - (a) any relevant criteria that have been specified by the ACMA for the purpose of identifying an equivalent service;
 - (b) the network capacity of the carriage service providers and carriers concerned;
 - (c) the support systems available to carriers and carriage service providers;
 - (d) any other matters relevant to providing number portability.

103 Obligation to provide number portability to customers

- (1) A carriage service provider or carrier that is involved with providing a portable service to a customer must ensure that the customer is able to exercise the customer's rights in relation to number portability.
- (2) The carriage service provider or carrier must do everything that is necessary to port the customer's number to another carriage service provider or carrier if the other carriage service provider or carrier asks, at the customer's request, for the number to be ported.
- (3) The carriage service provider or carrier must port the number:
 - (a) if a time is agreed with the customer or the new carriage service provider or carrier—at the agreed time; or
 - (b) if no time is agreed but a determination made under subsection (5) applies—within the period determined by the ACMA; or
 - (c) if paragraphs (a) and (b) do not apply, but a registered industry code applying to the carriage service provider or carrier determines the period within which the number must be ported—within that period; or
 - (d) in any other case—as soon as practicable.
- (4) The carriage service provider or carrier must ensure that no action or inaction on its part prevents the customer from keeping the same portable number when changing to the new provider or carrier.
- (5) The ACMA may determine, in relation to a particular case or a class of cases, the period of time after a request within which a number must be ported.

- (6) In making a determination, the ACMA must have regard to the following:
 - (a) the network capacity of the carriage service providers and carriers concerned;
 - (b) the support systems available to the carriage service providers and carriers concerned;
 - (c) any other matters relevant to ensure that customers are able to exercise their rights in relation to number portability.

104 Obligation to ensure that equivalent service is provided

- (1) A carriage service provider must provide an equivalent service to a person to whom a ported number has been issued, to the extent that it is within the carriage service provider's control.
- (2) A carriage service provider or carrier involved in routing a call to or from a ported number must, to the extent that it is within the carriage service provider's or carrier's control, ensure that:
 - (a) no action or inaction prevents the carriage service provider from providing an equivalent service, in relation to the ported number, to the customer to whom the ported number has been issued; and
 - (b) no action or inaction prevents an end-user, when using or calling the ported number, from receiving a carriage service that is an equivalent service.

105 Routing arrangements

- (1) A carriage service provider or carrier must not prevent, by its action or inaction in routing calls to or from a ported number, the provision of an equivalent service in relation to the number.
- (2) If a carriage service provider or carrier has *routing responsibility* in relation to a call to a portable number, the carriage service provider or carrier must enable call completion to the number by:
 - (a) routing the call appropriately; or
 - (b) ensuring correct routing of the calls to the appropriate carriage service provider or carrier for calls to the number.
- (3) The originating access carriage service provider has routing responsibility in relation to a call to a portable number except to the extent that one of subsections (4) to (6) applies.
- (4) If the call originated outside Australia, the first carriage service provider or carrier in Australia receiving the call has routing responsibility.
- (5) If the call involves number translation from the dialled number to the appropriate network address to enable correct routing (for example, in connection with the supply of a freephone or local rate service), the carriage service provider or carrier providing the translation service has routing responsibility from the point at which the translation is applied.
- (6) If the call is being diverted from one number to another, the carriage service provider or carrier providing the diversion service has routing responsibility from the point at which the diversion begins.

106 Cancellation of service to ported number

- (1) This section applies if:
 - (a) a number was ported from one carriage service provider to another; and

- (b) the customer cancels the service to which the ported number relates.
- (2) The carriage service provider to which the number was ported must:
 - (a) if the number is a freephone number or a local rate number notify the ACMA that the service to which the number relates has been cancelled;
 - (b) in any other case—give the number back to the carriage service provider that holds the number.
- (3) The carriage service provider that holds the number must notify each relevant carriage service provider and carrier:
 - (a) that the number is no longer ported; and
 - (b) of the carrier it nominates as the carrier that will terminate calls to the number.
- (4) If a carriage service provider gives notice in accordance with paragraph (2)(a):
 - (a) the number is taken to have been surrendered by the holder of the number to which the notice relates immediately after the ACMA receives the notice; and;
 - (b) if the ACMA is not the designated authority, the ACMA must notify the designated authority of the surrender of the number.

Part 3—Exemptions from obligations

107 Application for exemption from obligations in this Chapter

- (1) A carriage service provider or carrier may apply to the ACMA, in writing, for an exemption from an obligation in this Chapter.
- (2) The application must identify:
 - (a) the obligation or obligations for which the applicant is seeking an exemption; and
 - (b) the period for which the applicant wishes the exemption to be granted.
- (3) If the exemption is sought only in relation to particular exchanges or areas, the application must identify the exchanges or areas.
- (4) The application must include reasons (supported by documented evidence if practicable) why the applicant is seeking the exemption.
- (5) If the request for an exemption relates to an inability to meet the obligations of the carriage service provider or the carrier, the application must include:
 - (a) a detailed statement of the actions the applicant has taken to try to meet its obligations; and
 - (b) the time by which the applicant believes it can complete any network or other requirements to meet its obligations and a list of proposed key dates before that time.

108 Compliance not required while application is considered

If a carriage service provider or carrier applies for an exemption from an obligation under section 107, the carriage service provider or carrier does not have to comply with the obligation until the ACMA notifies the carriage service provider or carrier of its decision under section 112.

109 Consultation with ACCC

- (1) If the ACMA receives an application under section 107, the ACMA may consult the ACCC in relation to whether or not it would be in the long-term interests of end-users to grant the application.
- (2) If the ACMA decides to consult the ACCC, the ACMA must:
 - (a) give the ACCC a copy of the application no later than 5 business days after receiving it; and
 - (b) give the ACCC all relevant information, documents and records in relation to the application.

110 Deciding application for exemption

- (1) If the ACMA receives an application for an exemption from an obligation under section 107, the ACMA must decide whether to grant or not to grant the exemption no later than 65 business days after receiving the application.
- (2) The ACMA may have regard to the following matters in considering the application:
 - (a) the network capacity of a carriage service provider or carrier;
 - (b) the support systems available to a carriage service provider or carrier.

- (3) The ACMA may consider any other matters it considers relevant to providing number portability.
- (4) If the ACMA consulted the ACCC under section 109, the ACMA must have regard to the ACCC's comments on the long-term interests of end-users.
- (5) The ACMA must grant the exemption if it is satisfied that it is not practicable for the applicant to meet the obligation.
- (6) The ACMA may grant the exemption if it is satisfied that it would be in the long-term interests of end-users to exempt the applicant from the obligation.
- (7) The ACMA must otherwise decide not to grant the exemption.
- (8) The ACMA may grant an exemption:
 - (a) for a specified period; or
 - (b) for specified purposes; or
 - (c) in relation to a specified customer or class of customers; or
 - (d) subject to specified conditions.
- (9) If the ACMA does not make a decision within the period required under subsection (1), the ACMA is taken to have made a decision not to grant the exemption under subsection (1).

111 Request for further information

- (1) The ACMA may, at any time while considering an application made under section 107, request further information from the applicant.
- (2) The 65 business days mentioned in subsection 110(1) do not include a period:
 - (a) starting when the ACMA asks the applicant for further information; and
 - (b) ending when the ACMA receives the information.
- (3) The ACMA may nominate a date by which the information it requests must be provided.
- (4) The ACMA may, at any time, replace a nominated date with a later nominated date.
- (5) The application lapses if the applicant fails to provide the requested information by the nominated date.

112 Notice of decision about exemption

- (1) The ACMA must notify the applicant in writing of its decision under section 110.
- (2) If the ACMA decides to grant an exemption, the notice must:
 - (a) describe each obligation from which the applicant is exempted; and
 - (b) describe the scope of the exemption (such as the period of the exemption or the class of customers to which the exemption relates); and
 - (c) include any conditions to which the grant of the exemption is subject.
- (3) If the ACMA decides to grant an exemption, the ACMA must publish a notice on the ACMA's website stating:
 - (a) that the ACMA has granted the exemption; and
 - (b) how a copy of the text of the ACMA's decision to grant the exemption can be obtained.

(4) If the ACMA decides to grant an exemption, it must give notice of the decision to grant the exemption to any person whom the ACMA believes may have an interest in the decision.

Chapter 11—General matters relating to administration, review and reporting

Part 1—Registration of carriage service providers

113 Application for registration

- (1) A carriage service provider may apply to the ACMA to be registered under section 114.
- (2) The application must be in a form approved by the ACMA.
- (3) Strict compliance with the approved form is required.
- (4) The application must be accompanied by the charge (if any) for the application fixed by a determination under section 60 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*.

114 Registration of carriage service provider

- The ACMA must register a carriage service provider if:
 - (a) the carriage service provider has made a complete application under section 113; and
 - (b) the carriage service provider has paid any required charge.

115 Registered carriage service provider must update information

A registered carriage service provider must ensure that the ACMA has up to date information about the provider's name, ACN or ARBN (if any) and contact details.

116 Transitional—registration under previous numbering plan

A carriage service provider that was a registered carriage service provider under the *Telecommunications Numbering Plan 2015* immediately before the commencement of this Part is taken to have been registered under section 114 immediately after the commencement of this Part.

Part 2—Monitoring and reporting

117 Report on numbers transferred for purposes of numbering charge

- (1) This section applies to a carriage service provider (the *reporting carriage service provider*) who holds (within the meaning of this instrument) a mobile number.
- (2) The reporting carriage service provider must give a report to the ACMA at the following times:
 - (a) each time a day is determined under subsection 18(2) of the *Telecommunications* (*Numbering Charges*) Act 1997—no later than 10 business days after the day that is determined;
 - (b) if the ACMA requests a report in writing—no later than 20 business days after the request is given.
- (3) The report must include the following:
 - (a) the name of the reporting carriage service provider;
 - (b) the mobile numbers that the reporting carriage service provider holds at the time of the report;
 - (c) for each number mentioned in paragraph (b)—the name of each other carriage service provider that holds the number within the meaning of section 17 of the *Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Act 1997*;
 - (d) any other information required by the ACMA that relates to the administration of annual numbering charge.
 - Note: The *Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Act 1997* sets out, in section 17, when a provider holds a number for the purposes of the annual numbering charge. A different carriage service provider may hold the number within the meaning of section 5 of this instrument.
- (4) The report must be in a form approved by the ACMA and must be given to the ACMA by a method approved by the ACMA.

118 ACMA usage of reports

- (1) The ACMA must only use a report given by a carriage service provider under section 117 to:
 - (a) identify the holder of a number within the meaning of section 17 of the *Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Act 1997*; or
 - (b) work out an amount of annual numbering charge; or
 - (c) otherwise administer annual numbering charge.
- (2) If the ACMA is not given a report by a carriage service provider by the time required under section 117, the ACMA may rely on available information to:
 - (a) identify the holder of a number within the meaning of section 17 of the *Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Act 1997*; or
 - (b) work out an amount of annual numbering charge; or
 - (c) otherwise administer annual numbering charge.

Part 3—Review of decisions

119 Reviewable decisions

Each of the following is a *reviewable decision*:

- (a) a decision under subsection 24(4) not to approve an operation plan;
- (b) a decision under subsection 25(3) not to approve:
 - (i) an amendment of an operation plan; or
 - (ii) a replacement operation plan;
- (c) a decision under subsection 26(1) to direct a carriage service provider to amend or replace an approved operation plan;
- (d) a decision under subsection 26(3) that a carriage service provider has not complied with a direction;
- (e) a decision under subsection 38(7) not to approve an application for allocation of an international signalling point code;
- (f) a decision under subsection 41(7) not to approve an application for allocation of a mobile network code;
- (g) a decision under subsection 43(1) to withdraw an international signalling point code or a mobile network code;
- (h) a decision under section 45 to refuse an application to surrender an international signalling point code or a mobile network code;
- (i) a decision under section 50 not to approve an application for allocation of a carriage service provider identification code because of the ground in subsection 50(3);
- (j) a decision under subsection 51(3) to allocate a number subject to a condition;
- (k) a decision under subsection 51(4) to allocate a number with effect from, or until, a particular date;
- (l) a decision under subsection 54(1) not to approve an application for allocation of a number;
- (m) a decision under subsection 58(2) to allocate a number subject to a condition;
- (n) a decision under subsection 58(3) to allocate a number with effect from, or until, a particular date;
- (o) a decision under subsection 61(1) to refuse to vary the standard zone unit to which one or more geographic numbers are allocated;
- (p) a decision under section 71 to refuse an application to surrender a smartnumber;
- (q) a decision under subsection 76(1) to cancel the EROU for a smartnumber;
- (r) a decision under subsection 79(1) not to approve an application to surrender a number;
- (s) a decision under subsection 82(1) to withdraw a number;
- (t) a decision under subsection 83(1) to withdraw a number;
- (u) a decision under subsection 84(1) to withdraw a number;
- (v) a decision under subsection 85(1) to withdraw a number;
- (w) a decision under subsection 86(1) to withdraw a number;
- (x) a decision under subsection 90(3) not to approve recall and replacement of a number;
- (y) a decision under subsection 96(4) not to grant an exemption;
- (z) a decision under subsection 98(1) to determine an implementation date;
- (za) a decision under subsection 103(5) to determine a period of time after a request within which a number must be ported;

(zb) a decision under subsection 110(1) not to grant an exemption.

120 Statement to accompany notice of reviewable decision

- (1) If the ACMA makes a reviewable decision, the notice that the ACMA is required to give of the decision to a person (the *affected person*) must include a statement to the effect that the affected person may, if the affected person is dissatisfied with the decision, apply for reconsideration of the decision by the ACMA under subsection (2).
- (2) The affected person may apply to the ACMA for reconsideration of the decision.
- (3) The application must be made within:
 - (a) the period of 20 business days after the affected person is notified of the decision; or
 - (b) if the ACMA extends the period within which the application may be made—the extended period.
- (4) The ACMA may extend the period for making an application before or after the period in paragraph (3)(a) has ended.
- (5) The application must:
 - (a) be in a form approved by the ACMA; and
 - (b) set out the reasons for the application.
- (6) Failure by the ACMA to comply with subsection (1) does not affect the validity of a reviewable decision.
- (7) In subsection (1):
 - (a) a reference to a person does not include a reference to the designated authority; and
 - (b) if the reviewable decision is a decision to give a direction—a reference to the notice that the ACMA is required to give includes a reference to a direction.

121 Reconsideration by ACMA

- If the ACMA receives an application under section 120 for reconsideration of a reviewable decision, the ACMA must reconsider the decision and make a decision (an *internal review decision*) whether to affirm, vary or revoke the reviewable decision.
- (2) The ACMA must notify the applicant of an internal review decision and the reasons for it no later than 65 business days after receiving the application.
- (3) If the ACMA does not notify the applicant as required by subsection (2), the ACMA is taken to have affirmed the reviewable decision.

122 Statements to accompany notice of decision on reconsideration

- (1) A notice under subsection 121(2) that the ACMA has made an internal review decision must include a statement to the effect that the person notified of the internal review decision may, subject to the *Administrative Review Tribunal Act 2024*, apply to the Administrative Review Tribunal for review of the internal review decision.
- (2) Failure by the ACMA to comply with this section does not affect the validity of the internal review decision.

123 Review by Administrative Review Tribunal

Application may be made to the Administrative Review Tribunal to review an internal review decision.

Part 4—General matters

124 Use of computer program to make decisions

- (1) The ACMA may use, or arrange for the use, under the ACMA's control, of computer programs for any purposes for which the ACMA may make decisions under this instrument.
- (2) A decision made by the operation of a computer program under an arrangement made under subsection (1) is taken to be a decision made by the ACMA.
- (3) A reference to a decision in this section includes, but is not limited to, a reference to the creation of a list.
- (4) The ACMA must substitute a decision for a decision (the *initial decision*) made by the operation of a computer program under an arrangement under subsection (1) if the ACMA is satisfied that the initial decision is incorrect.

Chapter 12—Transitional provisions

125 Previous allocations not affected by repeal

The repeal of the *Telecommunications Numbering Plan 2015* does not affect any allocation, transfer, surrender or withdrawal of a number that occurred under that instrument.

126 Mobile network codes assigned before commencement

- (1) This section applies if:
 - (a) before the commencement of this section, a person has been assigned a mobile network code for use; and
 - (b) the mobile network code has not been transferred, surrendered or withdrawn before the commencement of this section.
- (2) The person is taken, for the purposes of Part 3 of Chapter 5 and Part 3 of Chapter 8, to be a carriage service provider that holds the mobile network code.
- (3) If the person is not a carriage service provider within the meaning of section 87 of the Act, subsection (2) does not enable the person to apply as a carriage service provider for the allocation of another mobile network code or other number.

127 Applications not dealt with under 2015 numbering plan

- If:
 - (a) an application was made under the *Telecommunications Numbering Plan 2015*; and
 - (b) a decision had not been made on the application when that instrument was repealed by this instrument;

the application must be dealt with in accordance with the *Telecommunications Numbering Plan 2015* as if that instrument had not been repealed.

128 Use of mobile numbers for IoT services

A mobile number may be used for an internet of things service during the period of 12 months from the commencement of this section.

Schedule 1—Geographic numbers

Note: See section 10.

1 Central East Region

The following table sets out the form of geographic numbers for use in most of New South Wales, the Australian Capital Territory and parts of northern Victoria.

Item	aphic numbers for Central East Column 1	Column 2
Item		Localities
	Area code and first digits of local number	Locanties
1	(02) 30	Newcastle charging district
2	(02) 31	The following charging districts:
		Bathurst
		Cowra
		Lithgow
		Mudgee
		Orange
		Rylstone
		Young
3	(02)32	Wollongong charging district and Helensburgh standard zone unit in the Campbelltown charging district
4	(02) 33	Gosford charging district
5	(02) 34	The following charging districts:
2	(02) 51	Bourke
		Condobolin
		Coonamble
		Dubbo
		Forbes
		Nyngan
		Parkes
		Wellington
		The following standard zone units in Moree charging
		district:
		Berkley Downs, Bonnay, Boorooma, Borah Tank,
		Cumborah, Goodooga, Grawin, Lightning Ridge,
((02) 25	Walgett
6	(02) 35	The following charging districts: Kempsey
		Lord Howe Island
		Muswellbrook
		Singleton
		Taree
		Wauchope
7	(02) 36	The following charging districts:

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
		Casino
		Coffs Harbour
		Grafton
		Kyogle
		Lismore
		Murwillumbah
8	(02) 37	The following charging districts:
		Armidale
		Barraba
		Glen Innes
		Gunnedah
		Inverell
		Narrabri
		Tamworth
		The following standard zone units in Moree charging district:
		Boomi, Bunnor, Careunga, Collarenebri, Croppa Creek, Garah, Gundabloui, Gurley, Mirriadool, Moree, Mungindi, Pallamallawa, Weemelah, Wenna
9	(02) 38	The following charging districts:
		Bowral
		Crookwell
		Goulburn
		Marulan
10	(02) 39	The following charging districts:
	× /	Adelong
		Griffith
		Нау
		Narrandera
		Temora
		Wagga Wagga
		West Wyalong
11	(02) 40	Newcastle charging district
12	(02) 41	Newcastle charging district
13	(02) 42	Wollongong charging district and Helensburgh standard zone unit in the Campbelltown charging district
14	(02) 43	Gosford charging district
15	(02) 44	Moruya and Nowra charging districts
16	(02) 45	Windsor charging district
17	(02) 45	Camden, Campbelltown and Picton standard zone units in the Campbelltown charging district

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
18	(02) 47	Penrith charging district
19	(02) 48	The following charging districts:
		Bowral
		Crookwell
		Goulburn
		Marulan
20	(02) 49	Newcastle charging district
21	(02) 50	Albury and Corryong charging districts
22	(02) 51	Canberra charging district
23	(02) 52	Canberra charging district
24	(02) 53	The following charging districts:
		Bathurst
		Cowra
		Lithgow
		Mudgee
		Orange
		Rylstone
		Young
25	(02) 54	Bega and Cooma charging districts
26	(02) 55	The following charging districts:
	(except (02) 5550)	Kempsey
		Lord Howe Island
		Muswellbrook
		Singleton
		Taree
		Wauchope
27	(02) 56	The following charging districts:
		Casino
		Coffs Harbour
		Grafton
		Kyogle
		Lismore
		Murwillumbah
28	(02) 57	The following charging districts:
		Armidale
		Barraba
		Glen Innes
		Gunnedah
		Inverell
		Narrabri
		Tamworth

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
		The following standard zone units in Moree charging district:
		Boomi, Bunnor, Careunga, Collarenebri, Croppa Creek Garah, Gundabloui, Gurley, Mirriadool, Moree, Mungindi, Pallamallawa, Weemelah, Wenna
29	(02) 58	The following charging districts:
		Bourke
		Condoblin
		Coonamble
		Dubbo
		Forbes
		Nyngan
		Parkes
		Wellington
		The following standard zone units in Moree charging district:
		Berkley Downs, Bonnay, Boorooma, Borah Tank, Cumborah, Goodooga, Grawin, Lightning Ridge, Walgett
30	(02) 59	The following charging districts:
		Adelong
		Griffith
		Нау
		Narrandera
		Temora
		Wagga Wagga
		West Wyalong
31	(02) 60	Albury and Corryong charging districts
32	(02) 61	Canberra charging district
33	(02) 62	Canberra charging district
34	(02) 63	The following charging districts:
		Bathurst
		Cowra
		Lithgow
		Mudgee
		Orange
		Rylstone
		Young
35	(02) 64	Bega and Cooma charging districts
36	(02) 65	The following charging districts:

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
		Kempsey
		Lord Howe Island
		Muswellbrook
		Singleton
		Taree
		Wauchope
37	(02) 66	The following charging districts:
		Casino
		Coffs Harbour
		Grafton
		Kyogle
		Lismore
		Murwillumbah
38	(02) 67	The following charging districts:
		Armidale
		Barraba
		Glen Innes
		Gunnedah
		Inverell
		Narrabri
		Tamworth
		The following standard zone units in Moree charging district:
		Boomi, Bunnor, Careunga, Collarenebri, Croppa Creek Garah, Gundabloui, Gurley, Mirriadool, Moree, Mungindi, Pallamallawa, Weemelah, Wenna
39	(02) 68	The following charging districts:
	(/ ••	Bourke
		Condoblin
		Coonamble
		Dubbo
		Forbes
		Nyngan
		Parkes
		Wellington
		The following standard zone units in Moree charging district:
		Berkley Downs, Bonnay, Boorooma, Borah Tank, Cumborah, Goodooga, Grawin, Lightning Ridge, Walgett

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
40	(02) 69	The following charging districts:
		Adelong
		Griffith
		Нау
		Narrandera
		Temora
		Wagga Wagga
		West Wyalong
41	(02) 70	Sydney charging district
42	(02) 71	Sydney charging district
43	(02) 72	Sydney standard zone unit
44	(02) 73	Sydney standard zone unit
45	(02) 74	Sydney standard zone unit
46	(02) 75	Engadine and Sutherland standard zone units
47	(02) 76	Sydney standard zone unit
48	(02) 77	Sydney standard zone unit
49	(02) 78	Parramatta standard zone unit
50	(02) 79	Sydney charging district
51	(02) 80	Sydney standard zone unit
52	(02) 81	Bankstown and Liverpool standard zone units
53	(02) 82	Sydney standard zone unit
54	(02) 83	Sydney standard zone unit
55	(02) 84	Avalon Beach, Dural and Terrey Hills standard zone units
56	(02) 85	Engadine, Sutherland and Sydney standard zone units
57	(02) 86	Blacktown standard zone unit
58	(02) 87	Bankstown and Liverpool standard zone units
59	(02) 88	Blacktown, Parramatta and Sydney standard zone units
60	(02) 89	Avalon Beach, Dural and Terrey Hills standard zone units
61	(02) 90	Sydney standard zone unit
62	(02) 91	Sydney standard zone unit
63	(02) 92	Sydney standard zone unit
64	(02) 93	Sydney standard zone unit
65	(02) 94	Avalon Beach, Dural, Sydney and Terrey Hills standar zone units
66	(02) 95	Engadine, Sutherland and Sydney standard zone units
67	(02) 96	Sydney standard zone unit
68	(02) 97	Bankstown, Liverpool and Sydney standard zone units
69	(02) 98	Blacktown, Parramatta and Sydney standard zone units

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Item	Column 1	Column 2	
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities	
70	(02) 99	Avalon Beach, Dural, Sydney and Terrey Hills standard zone units	

2 South East Region

The following table sets out the form of geographic numbers for use in Tasmania, most of Victoria and parts of southern New South Wales.

Item	Column 1 Area code and first digits of local number	Column 2 Localities
1	(03) 30	The following charging districts:
		Balranald
		Hopetoun
		Mildura
		Ouyen
		Swan Hill
2	(03) 31	Bairnsdale, Morwell and Sale charging districts
3	(03) 32	Colac and Geelong charging districts
4	(03) 33	The following charging districts:
		Ararat
		Ballarat
		Horsham
		Nhill
		The following standard zone units in Kyneton charging district:
		Bacchus Marsh, Ballan, Balliang, Mount Wallace
5	(03) 34	The following charging districts:
		Bendigo
		Charlton
		Echuca
		Kerang
		Maryborough
		The following standard zone units in Kyneton charging district:
		Gisborne, Kyneton, Redesdale, Romsey, Trentham, Woodend
6	(03) 40	The following charging districts:
		Balranald

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
		Hopetoun
		Mildura
		Ouyen
		Swan Hill
7	(03) 41	Bairnsdale, Morwell and Sale charging districts
8	(03) 42	Colac and Geelong charging districts
9	(03) 43	The following charging districts:
		Ararat
		Ballarat
		Horsham
		Nhill
		The following standard zone units in Kyneton charging district:
		Bacchus Marsh, Ballan, Balliang, Mount Wallace
10	(03) 44	The following charging districts:
		Bendigo
		Charlton
		Echuca
		Kerang
		Maryborough
		The following standard zone units in Kyneton charging district:
		Gisborne, Kyneton, Redesdale, Romsey, Trentham, Woodend
11	(03) 45	The following charging districts:
		Camperdown
		Casterton
		Edenhope
		Hamilton
		Portland
		Warrnambool
12	(03) 46	The following charging districts:
		Foster and Korumburra
		The following standard zone units in Warragul charging district:
		Bunyip, Hill End (Victoria), Icy Creek, Neerim South, Trafalgar, Warragul
13	(03) 47	The following charging districts:
		Alexandra

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
		Myrtleford
		Seymour
		Wangaratta
14	(03) 48	Deniliquin, Numurkah and Shepparton charging districts
15	(03) 49	Mornington charging district and the following standard zone units in Warragul charging district:
		Cranbourne, Emerald (Victoria), Healesville, Koo Wee Rup, Marysville, Pakenham, Warburton
16	(03) 50	The following charging districts:
		Balranald
		Hopetoun
		Mildura
		Ouyen
		Swan Hill
17	(03) 51	Bairnsdale, Morwell and Sale charging districts
18	(03) 52	Colac and Geelong charging districts
19	(03) 53	The following charging districts:
		Ararat
		Ballarat
		Horsham
		Nhill
		The following standard zone units in Kyneton charging district:
		Bacchus Marsh, Ballan, Balliang, Mount Wallace
20	(03) 54	The following charging districts:
		Bendigo
		Charlton
		Echuca
		Kerang
		Maryborough
		The following standard zone units in Kyneton charging district:
		Gisborne, Kyneton, Redesdale, Romsey, Trentham, Woodend
21	(03) 55 (except (03) 5550)	The following charging districts:
		Camperdown
		Casterton
		Edenhope
		Hamilton
		Portland

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
		Warrnambool
22	(03) 56	Foster and Korumburra charging districts, and the following standard zone units in Warragul charging district:
		Bunyip, Hill End (Victoria), Icy Creek, Neerim South, Trafalgar, Warragul
23	(03) 57	The following charging districts:
		Alexandra
		Myrtleford
		Seymour
		Wangaratta
24	(03) 58	Deniliquin, Numurkah and Shepparton charging districts
25	(03) 59	Mornington charging district and the following standard zone units in Warragul charging district:
		Cranbourne, Emerald (Victoria), Healesville, Koo Wee Rup, Marysville, Pakenham, Warburton
26	(03) 60	The following charging districts:
		Geeveston
		Hobart
		Oatlands
		Ouse
27	(03) 61	The following charging districts:
		Geeveston
		Hobart
		Oatlands
		Ouse
28	(03) 62	The following charging districts:
		Geeveston
		Hobart
		Oatlands
		Ouse
29	(03) 63	The following charging districts:
		Deloraine
		Flinders Island
		Launceston
		Scottsdale
		St Mary's
30	(03) 64	The following charging districts:
		Burnie
		Devonport
		King Island
		Queenstown

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
		Smithton
31	(03) 65	The following charging districts:
		Burnie
		Devonport
		King Island
		Queenstown
		Smithton
32	(03) 67	The following charging districts:
		Deloraine
		Flinders Island
		Launceston
		Scottsdale
		St Mary's
33	(03) 68	The following charging districts:
		Deloraine
		Flinders Island
		Launceston
		Scottsdale
		St Mary's
34	(03) 70 (except (03) 7010)	Melbourne standard zone unit
35	(03) 71	Melbourne standard zone unit
36	(03) 72	Melbourne charging district
37	(03) 73	Craigieburn, Point Cook and Sydenham standard zone units
38	(03) 74	Melbourne charging district
39	(03) 75	Clayton standard zone unit
40	(03) 76	Melbourne charging district
41	(03) 77	Melbourne standard zone unit
42	(03) 78	Melbourne standard zone unit
43	(03) 79	Melbourne standard zone unit
44	(03) 80	Sunbury and Werribee standard zone units
45	(03) 81	Kalkallo and Whittlesea standard zone units
46	(03) 82	Croydon standard zone unit
47	(03) 83	Craigieburn, Melbourne, Point Cook and Sydenham standard zone units
48	(03) 84	Eltham standard zone unit
49	(03) 85	Clayton and Melbourne standard zone units
50	(03) 86	Melbourne standard zone unit
51	(03) 87	The following standard zone units in Melbourne charging district:

Geogr	Geographic numbers for South East Region		
Item	Column 1	Column 2	
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities	
		Clayton, Craigieburn, Dandenong, Eltham, Point Cook, Ringwood	
52	(03) 88	Ringwood standard zone unit	
53	(03) 89	Dandenong standard zone unit	
54	(03) 90	Melbourne standard zone unit	
55	(03) 91	Melbourne standard zone unit	
56	(03) 92	Melbourne charging district	
57	(03) 93	Craigieburn, Melbourne, Point Cook and Sydenham standard zone units	
58	(03) 94	Eltham and Melbourne standard zone units	
59	(03) 95	Clayton and Melbourne standard zone units	
60	(03) 96	Melbourne standard zone unit	
61	(03) 97	The following standard zone units in Melbourne charging district:	
		Croydon, Dandenong, Kalkallo, Sunbury, Werribee, Whittlesea	
62	(03) 98	Melbourne and Ringwood standard zone units	
63	(03) 99	Melbourne charging district	

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3 North East Region

The following table sets out the form of geographic numbers for use in Queensland.

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Item	Column 1	Column 2 Localities
	Area code and first digits of local number	Locanties
1	(07) 20	Redcliffe and Samford standard zone units
2	(07) 21	Brisbane standard zone unit
3	(07) 22	Bribie Island and Brisbane charging districts and Dayboro standard zone unit
4	(07) 23	Bribie Island and Brisbane charging districts and Dayboro and Esk standard zone units
5	(07) 24	Bribie Island and Brisbane charging districts and Dayboro and Esk standard zone units
6	(07) 25	Bribie Island and Brisbane charging districts and Dayboro and Esk standard zone units
7	(07) 26	Bribie Island and Brisbane charging districts and Dayboro and Esk standard zone units
8	(07) 27	Bribie Island and Brisbane charging districts and Dayboro and Esk standard zone units
9	(07) 28	Beenleigh, Cleveland and Ipswich standard zone units
10	(07) 29	Bribie Island and Brisbane charging districts and Dayboro and Esk standard zone units
11	(07) 30	The following standard zone units in Brisbane charging district:
		Beenleigh, Brisbane, Cleveland, Ipswich, Redcliffe, Samford
12	(07) 31	Brisbane charging district
13	(07) 320	The following standard zone units in Brisbane charging district:
		Beenleigh, Cleveland, Ipswich, Redcliffe, Samford
14	(07) 321	Brisbane standard zone unit
15	(07) 322	Brisbane standard zone unit
16	(07) 323	Brisbane standard zone unit
17	(07) 324	Brisbane standard zone unit
18	(07) 325	Brisbane standard zone unit
19	(07) 326	Brisbane and Sandgate standard zone units
20	(07) 327	Brisbane standard zone unit
21	(07) 328	The following standard zone units in Brisbane charging district:
		Beenleigh, Cleveland, Ipswich, Redcliffe, Samford
22	(07) 329	Brisbane standard zone unit
23	(07) 330	Brisbane standard zone unit
24	(07) 331	Brisbane standard zone unit

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
25	(07) 332	Brisbane standard zone unit
26	(07) 333	Brisbane standard zone unit
27	(07) 334	Brisbane standard zone unit
28	(07) 335	Brisbane standard zone unit
29	(07) 336	Brisbane standard zone unit
30	(07) 337	Brisbane standard zone unit
31	(07) 338	The following standard zone units in Brisbane charging district:
		Beenleigh, Cleveland, Ipswich, Redcliffe, Samford
32	(07) 339	Brisbane standard zone unit
33	(07) 34	The following standard zone units in Brisbane charging district:
		Beenleigh, Brisbane, Cleveland, Ipswich, Redcliffe, Samford
34	(07) 35	Brisbane standard zone unit
35	(07) 36	Sandgate standard zone unit
36	(07) 37	Brisbane standard zone unit
37	(07) 380	Beenleigh standard zone unit
38	(07) 381	Brisbane charging district
39	(07) 382	Brisbane standard zone unit
40	(07) 383	Brisbane standard zone unit
41	(07) 384	Brisbane standard zone unit
42	(07) 385	Brisbane standard zone unit
43	(07) 386	Brisbane and Sandgate standard zone units
44	(07) 387	Brisbane standard zone unit
45	(07) 388	The following standard zone units in Brisbane charging district:
		Beenleigh, Cleveland, Ipswich, Redcliffe, Samford
46	(07) 389	Brisbane standard zone unit
47	(07) 39	Brisbane standard zone unit
48	(07) 40	Cairns charging district
49	(07) 41	The following charging districts:
		Bundaberg
		Gayndah
		Kingaroy
		Maryborough
		Murgon
50	(07) 42	Cairns charging district
51	(07) 43	The following charging districts:
		Bundaberg
		Gayndah

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
		Kingaroy
		Maryborough
		Murgon
52	(07) 44	Cloncurry, Hughenden and Townsville charging district
53	(07) 45	The following charging districts:
		Charleville
		Dalby
		Dirranbandi
		Goondiwindi
		Inglewood
		Longreach
		Miles
		Roma
		Stanthorpe
		Toowoomba
		Warwick
54	(07) 46	The following charging districts:
		Charleville
		Dalby
		Dirranbandi
		Goondiwindi
		Inglewood
		Longreach
		Miles
		Roma
		Stanthorpe
		Toowoomba
		Warwick
55	(07) 47	Cloncurry, Hughenden and Townsville charging districts
56	(07) 48	The following charging districts:
	· /	Biloela
		Emerald
		Gladstone
		Mackay
		Rockhampton

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
57	(07) 49	The following charging districts:
		Biloela
		Emerald
		Gladstone
		Mackay
		Rockhampton
58	(07) 51	The following charging districts:
		Caboolture
		Gatton
		Gympie
		Nambour
		The following standard zone units in Esk charging district:
		Coominya, Crossdale, Esk, Lowood, Moore, Toogoolawah
59	(07) 52	The following charging districts:
	``	Caboolture
		Gatton
		Gympie
		Nambour
		The following standard zone units in Esk charging district:
		Coominya, Crossdale, Esk, Lowood, Moore,
	(A=)	Toogoolawah
50	(07) 53	The following charging districts:
		Caboolture
		Gatton
		Gympie
		Nambour
		The following standard zone units in Esk charging district:
		Coominya, Crossdale, Esk, Lowood, Moore, Toogoolawah
61	(07) 54	The following charging districts:
		Caboolture
		Gatton
		Gympie
		Nambour

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
		The following standard zone units in Esk charging district:
		Coominya, Crossdale, Esk, Lowood, Moore, Toogoolawah
62	(07) 55 (except (07) 5550)	Beaudesert charging district
63	(07) 56	Beaudesert charging district
64	(07) 57	Beaudesert charging district
65	(07) 58	Beaudesert charging district
56	(07) 70 (except (07) 7010)	Cairns charging district
67	(07) 72	Cairns charging district
68	(07) 73	The following charging districts:
		Bundaberg
		Gayndah
		Kingaroy
		Maryborough
		Murgon
59	(07) 75	The following charging districts:
		Charleville
		Dalby
		Dirranbandi
		Goondiwindi
		Inglewood
		Longreach
		Miles
		Roma
		Stanthorpe
		Toowoomba
		Warwick
70	(07) 76	The following charging districts:
		Charleville
		Dalby
		Dirranbandi
		Goondiwindi
		Inglewood
		Longreach
		Miles
		Roma
		Stanthorpe
		Toowoomba
		Warwick

Geogr	Geographic numbers for North East Region		
Item	Column 1	Column 2	
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities	
72	(07) 78	The following charging districts:	
		Biloela	
		Emerald	
		Gladstone	
		Mackay	
		Rockhampton	
73	(07) 79	The following charging districts:	
		Biloela	
		Emerald	
		Gladstone	
		Mackay	
		Rockhampton	

4 Central and West Region

The following table sets out the form of geographic numbers for use in Western Australia, South Australia, the Northern Territory and parts of western New South Wales.

Geogr	aphic numbers for Central and V	West Region
Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
1	(08) 20	Adelaide charging district
2	(08) 21	Adelaide charging district
3	(08) 25	The following charging districts:
		Berri
		Gawler
		Kangaroo Island
		Malalla
		Murray Bridge
		Nurioopta
		Tailem Bend
		Victor Harbour
		Waikerie
4	(08) 26	The following charging districts:
		Ceduna
		Cook
		Gladstone
		Peterborough
		Port Augusta
		Port Pirie

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
		Woomera
		The following standard zone units in Port Lincoln charging district:
		 Arno Bay, Bayley Plains, Cleve, Coffin Bay, Coulta, Cowell, Cummins, Darke Peak, Elliston, Kapinnie, Koongawa, Koppio, Kyancutta, Lock, Miltalie, Minnipa, Mount Hope, Port Lincoln, Port Neill, Rudall, Sheringa, Sleaford Mere, Spilsby, Tooligie Hill, Tumby Bay, Ungarra, Wanilla, Wharminda, Wudinna, Yabmana, Yeelanna
5	(08) 27	Bordertown, Mount Gambier and Naracoorte charging districts
6	(08) 28	The following charging districts:
		Balaklava
		Burra
		Clare
		Gawler
		Kadina
		Maitland
		Yorketown
		The following standard zone units in Port Lincoln charging district:
		Thistle
		Wedge
7	(08) 29	Alice Springs and Darwin charging districts
8	(08) 41	The following charging districts:
		Christmas Island
		Cocos (Keeling) Islands
		Derby
		Great Sandy
		Port Hedland
9	(08) 51	The following charging districts:
		Christmas Island
		Cocos (Keeling) Islands
		Derby
		Great Sandy
		Port Hedland
10	(08) 52	Perth standard zone unit
11	(08) 53	Perth charging district
12	(08) 54	Perth charging district

Item	Column 1	Column 2	
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities	
13	(08) 55 (except (08) 5550)	Bullsbrook East and Pinjarra charging districts, and Bakers Hill and Toodyay standard zone units in Northam charging district	
14	(08) 57	The following charging districts:	
		Bridgetown	
		Bunbury	
		Busselton	
		The following standard zone units in Pinjarra charging district:	
		Lake Clifton	
		Waroona	
15	(08) 58	The following charging districts:	
		Albany	
		Katanning	
		Kondinin	
		Narrogin	
		Wagin	
16	(08) 60	The following charging districts:	
		Bruce Rock	
		Great Victoria	
		Kalgoorlie	
		Merredin	
17	(08) 610	Perth charging district	
18	(08) 611	Perth charging district	
19	(08) 612	Perth charging district	
20	(08) 613	Rottnest Island and Spearwood standard zone units	
21	(08) 614	Perth standard zone unit	
22	(08) 615	Perth standard zone unit	
23	(08) 616	Perth standard zone unit	
24	(08) 617	Rottnest and Spearwood standard zone units	
25	(08) 618	Perth standard zone unit	
26	(08) 619	The following standard zone units in Perth charging district:	
27	(08) 620	Armadale, Herne Hill, Kalamunda, Rottnest, Spearwoo	
27 28	(08) 620	Wanneroo standard zone unit	
<u>28</u> 20	(08) 621	Fremantle and Perth standard zone units	
<u>29</u>	(08) 622	Fremantle and Perth standard zone units	
30	(08) 623	Fremantle and Perth standard zone units	
31	(08) 624	Perth standard zone unit	
32	(08) 625	Perth standard zone unit	

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
33	(08) 626	Perth standard zone unit
34	(08) 627	Perth standard zone unit
35	(08) 628	Perth standard zone unit
36	(08) 629	The following standard zone units in Perth charging district:
		Armadale, Herne Hill, Kalamunda, Rottnest, Spearwood
37	(08) 630	Wanneroo standard zone unit
38	(08) 631	Fremantle and Perth standard zone units
39	(08) 632	Perth standard zone unit
40	(08) 633	Fremantle and Perth standard zone units
41	(08) 634	Wanneroo standard zone unit
42	(08) 635	Perth standard zone unit
43	(08) 636	Perth charging district
44	(08) 637	Perth standard zone unit
45	(08) 638	Perth standard zone unit
46	(08) 639	The following standard zone units in Perth charging district:
		Armadale, Herne Hill, Kalamunda, Rottnest, Spearwood
47	(08) 640	Perth and Wanneroo standard zone units
48	(08) 641	Fremantle standard zone units
49	(08) 642	Fremantle and Perth standard zone units
50	(08) 643	Perth standard zone unit
51	(08) 644	Perth standard zone unit
52	(08) 645	Perth standard zone unit
53	(08) 646	Perth charging district
54	(08) 647	Perth standard zone unit
55	(08) 648	Perth standard zone unit
56	(08) 649	The following standard zone units in Perth charging district:
		Armadale, Herne Hill, Kalamunda, Rottnest, Spearwood
57	(08) 650	Perth standard zone unit
58	(08) 651	Fremantle standard zone unit
59	(08) 652	Herne Hill standard zone unit
60	(08) 653	Herne Hill standard zone unit
61	(08) 654	Perth standard zone unit
62	(08) 655	Perth standard zone unit
63	(08) 656	Kalamunda standard zone unit
64	(08) 657	Kalamunda standard zone unit
65	(08) 658	Armadale standard zone unit
66	(08) 659	Armadale standard zone unit
67	(08) 66	The following charging districts:

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
		Moora
		Wongan Hills
		Wyalkatchem
		York
		The following standard zone units in Northam charging district:
		Bolgart, Calingiri, Cunderdin, Cunderdin North, Dowerin, Ejanding, Goomalling, Jennacubbine, Konnongorring, Meckering, Northam, Studleigh, Tammin, Yorkrakine
68	(08) 67	The following charging districts:
		Bridgetown
		Bunbury
		Busselton
		Lake Clifton and Waroona standard zone units in Pinjarra charging district
69	(08) 68	The following charging districts:
		Albany
		Katanning
		Kondinin
		Narrogin
		Wagin
70	(08) 69	The following charging districts:
		Carnamah
		Carnarvon
		Geraldton
		Meekatharra
		Morawa Mullewa
		Paynes Find (Extended) standard zone unit in Wongan
		Hills charging district
71	(08) 700	Adelaide standard zone unit
72	(08) 701 (except (08) 7010)	Adelaide charging district
73	(08) 702	Adelaide charging district
74	(08) 703	Adelaide charging district
75	(08) 704	Adelaide charging district
76	(08) 705	Adelaide charging district
77	(08) 706	Adelaide charging district
78	(08) 707	Adelaide standard zone unit
79	(08) 708	Adelaide standard zone unit

Item	Column 1	Column 2		
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities		
80	(08) 709	Adelaide charging district		
81	(08) 710	Adelaide standard zone unit		
82	(08) 711	Adelaide standard zone unit		
83	(08) 712	Adelaide charging district		
84	(08) 713	Adelaide standard zone unit		
85	(08) 714	Adelaide standard zone unit		
86	(08) 715	Adelaide standard zone unit		
87	(08) 716	Adelaide standard zone unit		
88	(08) 717	Adelaide standard zone unit		
89	(08) 718	McLaren Vale, Mount Barker (South Australia), Salisbury and Woodside (South Australia) standard zone units		
90	(08) 719	Mount Barker (South Australia) standard zone unit		
91	(08) 720	Adelaide standard zone unit		
92	(08) 721	Adelaide standard zone unit		
93	(08) 722	Adelaide charging district		
94	(08) 723	Adelaide charging district		
95	(08) 724	Adelaide charging district		
96	(08) 725	Adelaide charging district		
97	(08) 726	McLaren Vale standard zone unit		
98	(08) 727	McLaren Vale standard zone unit		
99	(08) 728	McLaren Vale, Mount Barker (South Australia), Salisbury and Woodside (South Australia) standard zone units		
100	(08) 729	Mount Barker (South Australia) standard zone unit		
101	(08) 730	Adelaide charging district		
102	(08) 731	Adelaide charging district		
103	(08) 732	Adelaide charging district		
104	(08) 733	Adelaide standard zone unit		
105	(08) 734	Adelaide charging district		
106	(08) 735	Adelaide charging district		
107	(08) 736	Adelaide charging district		
108	(08) 737	Salisbury standard zone unit		
109	(08) 738	Salisbury standard zone unit		
110	(08) 739	Salisbury standard zone unit		
111	(08) 740	Adelaide charging district		
112	(08) 741	Adelaide charging district		
113	(08) 742	Adelaide standard zone unit		
114	(08) 743	Adelaide charging district		
115	(08) 744	Adelaide standard zone unit		
116	(08) 745	Adelaide charging district		

Item	Column 1	Column 2		
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities		
117	(08) 746	Adelaide charging district		
118	(08) 747	Adelaide standard zone unit		
119	(08) 748	Woodside (South Australia) standard zone unit		
120	(08) 749	Woodside (South Australia) standard zone unit		
121	(08) 75	The following charging districts:		
		Berri		
		Gawler		
		Kangaroo Island		
		Malalla		
		Murray Bridge		
		Nurioopta		
		Tailem Bend		
		Victor Harbour		
		Waikerie		
122	(08) 76	The following charging districts:		
		Ceduna		
		Cook		
		Gladstone		
		Peterborough		
		Port Augusta		
		Port Pirie		
		Woomera		
		The following standard zone units in Port Lincoln charging district:		
		 Arno Bay, Bayley Plains, Cleve, Coffin Bay, Coulta, Cowell, Cummins, Darke Peak, Elliston, Kapinnie, Koongawa, Koppio, Kyancutta, Lock, Miltalie, Minnipa, Mount Hope, Port Lincoln, Port Neill, Rudall, Sheringa, Sleaford Mere, Spilsby, Tooligie Hill, Tumby Bay, Ungarra, Wanilla, Wharminda, Wudinna, Yabmana, Yeelanna 		
123	(08) 77	Bordertown, Mount Gambier and Naracoorte charging districts		
124	(08) 78	The following charging districts:		
		Balaklava		
		Burra		
		Clare		
		Gawler		
		Kadina		
		Maitland		
		Yorketown		

Item	Column 1	Column 2 Localities	
	Area code and first digits of local number		
		Thistle and Wedge standard zone units in Port Lincoln charging district	
125	(08) 79	Alice Springs and Darwin charging districts	
126	(08) 80	Broken Hill charging district	
127	(08) 810	Adelaide standard zone unit	
128	(08) 811	Adelaide standard zone unit	
129	(08) 812	Adelaide standard zone unit	
130	(08) 813	Adelaide standard zone unit	
131	(08) 814	Adelaide standard zone unit	
132	(08) 815	Adelaide standard zone unit	
133	(08) 816	Adelaide standard zone unit	
134	(08) 817	Adelaide standard zone unit	
135	(08) 818	McLaren Vale, Mount Barker (South Australia), Salisbury and Woodside (South Australia) standard zone units	
136	(08) 819	Adelaide standard zone unit	
137	(08) 820	Adelaide standard zone unit	
138	(08) 821	Adelaide standard zone unit	
139	(08) 822	Adelaide standard zone unit	
140	(08) 823	Adelaide standard zone unit	
141	(08) 824	Adelaide standard zone unit	
142	(08) 825	Adelaide standard zone unit	
143	(08) 826	Adelaide standard zone unit	
144	(08) 827	Adelaide standard zone unit	
145	(08) 828	Salisbury standard zone unit	
146	(08) 829	Adelaide standard zone unit	
147	(08) 830	Adelaide standard zone unit	
148	(08) 831	Adelaide standard zone unit	
149	(08) 832	Adelaide charging district	
150	(08) 833	Adelaide standard zone unit	
151	(08) 834	Adelaide standard zone unit	
152	(08) 835	Adelaide standard zone unit	
153	(08) 836	Adelaide standard zone unit	
154	(08) 837	Adelaide standard zone unit	
155	(08) 838	McLaren Vale, Mount Barker (South Australia), Salisbury and Woodside (South Australia) standard zone units	
156	(08) 839	Adelaide standard zone unit	
157	(08) 840	Adelaide standard zone unit	
158	(08) 841	Adelaide standard zone unit	

Item	Column 1	Column 2		
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities		
159	(08) 842	Adelaide standard zone unit		
160	(08) 843	Adelaide standard zone unit		
161	(08) 844	Adelaide standard zone unit		
162	(08) 845	Adelaide standard zone unit		
163	(08) 846	Adelaide standard zone unit		
164	(08) 847	Adelaide standard zone unit		
165	(08) 848	McLaren Vale, Mount Barker (South Australia), Salisbury and Woodside (South Australia) standard zone units		
166	(08) 849	Adelaide standard zone unit		
167	(08) 85	The following charging districts:		
		Berri		
		Gawler		
		Kangaroo Island		
		Malalla		
		Murray Bridge		
		Nurioopta		
		Tailem Bend		
		Victor Harbour		
		Waikerie		
168	(08) 86	The following charging districts:		
		Ceduna		
		Cook		
		Gladstone		
		Peterborough		
		Port Augusta		
		Port Pirie		
		Woomera		
		The following standard zone units in Port Lincoln charging district:		
		Arno Bay, Bayley Plains, Cleve, Coffin Bay, Coulta, Cowell, Cummins, Darke Peak, Elliston, Kapinnie, Koongawa, Koppio, Kyancutta, Lock, Miltalie, Minnipa, Mount Hope, Port Lincoln, Port Neill, Rudall, Sheringa, Sleaford Mere, Spilsby, Tooligie Hill, Tumby Bay, Ungarra, Wanilla, Wharminda, Wudinna, Yabmana, Yeelanna		
169	(08) 87	Bordertown, Mount Gambier and Naracoorte charging districts		
170	(08) 88	The following charging districts:		
		Balaklava		
		Burra		

Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
		Clare
		Gawler
		Kadina
		Maitland
		Yorketown
		Thistle and Wedge standard zone units in Port Lincoln charging district
171	(08) 89	Alice Springs and Darwin charging districts
172	(08) 90	The following charging districts:
		Bruce Rock
		Great Victoria
		Kalgoorlie
		Merredin
173	(08) 91	The following charging districts:
		Christmas Island
		Cocos (Keeling) Islands
		Derby
		Great Sandy
		Port Hedland
174	(08) 920	Perth and Wanneroo standard zone units
175	(08) 921	Perth standard zone unit
176	(08) 922	Perth standard zone unit
177	(08) 923	Fremantle and Perth standard zone units
178	(08) 924	Perth standard zone unit
179	(08) 925	Perth standard zone unit
180	(08) 926	Perth standard zone unit
181	(08) 927	Perth standard zone unit
182	(08) 928	Perth standard zone unit
183	(08) 929	The following standard zone units in Perth charging district:
		Armadale, Herne Hill, Kalamunda, Rottnest, Spearwood
184	(08) 930	Wanneroo standard zone unit
185	(08) 931	Perth standard zone unit
186	(08) 932	Perth standard zone unit
187	(08) 933	Fremantle and Perth standard zone units
188	(08) 934	Perth standard zone unit
189	(08) 935	Perth standard zone unit
190	(08) 936	Perth standard zone unit
191	(08) 937	Perth standard zone unit
192	(08) 938	Perth standard zone unit

Item	Column 1	Column 2		
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities		
193	(08) 939	The following standard zone units in Perth charging district:		
		Armadale, Herne Hill, Kalamunda, Rottnest, Spearwood		
194	(08) 940	Wanneroo standard zone unit		
195	(08) 941	Perth standard zone unit		
196	(08) 942	Perth standard zone unit		
197	(08) 943	Fremantle and Perth standard zone units		
198	(08) 944	Perth standard zone unit		
199	(08) 945	Perth standard zone unit		
200	(08) 946	Perth standard zone unit		
201	(08) 947	Perth standard zone unit		
202	(08) 948	Perth standard zone unit		
203	(08) 949	The following standard zone units in Perth charging district:		
		Armadale, Herne Hill, Kalamunda, Rottnest, Spearwood		
204	(08) 95	Bullsbrook East and Pinjarra charging districts, and Bakers Hill and Toodyay standard zone units in Northam charging district		
205	(08) 96	The following charging districts:		
		Moora		
		Wongan Hills		
		Wyalkatchem		
		York		
		The following standard zone units in Northam charging district:		
		Bolgart, Calingiri, Cunderdin, Cunderdin North, Dowerin, Ejanding, Goomalling, Jennacubbine, Konnongorring, Meckering, Northam, Studleigh, Tammin, Yorkrakine		
206	(08) 97	The following charging districts:		
		Bridgetown		
		Bunbury		
		Busselton		
		Lake Clifton and Waroona standard zone units in Pinjarra charging district		
207	(08) 98	The following charging districts:		
		Albany		
		Katanning		
		Kondinin		
		Narrogin		

Geogr	aphic numbers for Central and V	West Region
Item	Column 1	Column 2
	Area code and first digits of local number	Localities
		Wagin
208	(08) 99	The following charging districts:
		Carnamah
		Carnarvon
		Geraldton
		Meekatharra
		Morawa
		Mullewa
		Paynes Find (Extended) standard zone unit in Wongan Hills charging district

Schedule 2—Freephone numbers

Note: See section 14.

1 Freephone numbers

The following table sets out the form of freephone numbers, and indicates whether incoming international access is available.

Freep	Freephone numbers					
Item	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3			
	First digits	Number of digits	Is incoming international access available?			
1	18 00	10	Yes			
2	18 01	10	No			
3	18 02	7	No			
4	18 03	7	No			
5	18 04	7	No			
6	18 05	7	No			
7	18 06	7	No			
8	18 07	7	No			
9	18 08	7	No			
10	18 09	7	No			

Schedule 3—Local rate numbers

Note: See section 16.

1 Local rate numbers

The following table sets out the form of local rate numbers, and indicates whether incoming international access is available.

Local rate numbers				
Item	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	
	First digits	Number of digits	Is incoming international access available?	
1	13 0	10	Yes	
2	13 1	6	Yes	
3	13 2	6	Yes	
4	13 3	6	Yes	
5	13 40	6	Yes	
6	13 41	6	Yes	
7	13 42	6	Yes	
8	13 43	6	Yes	
9	13 44	6	Yes	
10	13 45	8	Yes	
11	13 46	6	Yes	
12	13 47	6	Yes	
13	13 48	6	Yes	
14	13 49	6	Yes	
15	13 5	6	Yes	
16	13 6	6	Yes	
17	13 7	6	Yes	
18	13 8	6	Yes	
19	13 9	6	Yes	

Schedule 4—Mobile numbers

Note See section 18

1 Mobile numbers

The following table sets out the form of mobile numbers, and provides information on the way in which the numbers can be used.

Mobile	Mobile numbers							
Item	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4				
	First digits	Number of digits	Is incoming international access available?	Low charge number?				
1	04	10	Yes	No				
2	05	10	Yes	No				

Schedule 5—Special services numbers

Note: See sections 21, 22 and 31.

1 Special services numbers that are not shared

The following table sets out the form of special services numbers that are not shared numbers, and provides information on the way in which the numbers can be used.

Item	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
	First digits	Number of digits	Type of service	Is incoming international access available?	Low charge number?
1	014 1	10	Satellite telephone service	Yes	No
2	014 2	10	Satellite telephone service	Yes	No
3	014 3	10	Satellite telephone service	Yes	No
4	014 5	10	Satellite telephone service	Yes	No
5	014 7	10	Satellite telephone service	Yes	No
6	015 10	9	Public safety service	No	No
7	01513	9	Public safety service	No	No
8	019 2	5	Data network access service	Yes	Yes
9	019 80	10	Data network access service	Yes	Yes
10	019 82	10	Data network access service	Yes	Yes
11	019 83	10	Data network access service	Yes	Yes
12	019 89	10	Data network access service	Yes	No
13	0900	10	Internet of things service	Yes	No
14	0910	10	Internet of things service	Yes	No
15	0920	10	Internet of things service	Yes	No
16	0930	10	Internet of things service	Yes	No
17	0940	10	Internet of things service	Yes	No

Special services numbers (not shared)					
Item	Column 1 First digits	Column 2 Number of digits	Column 3 Type of service	Column 4 Is incoming international access available?	Column 5 Low charge number?
18	11 00	4	Community service	No	Yes
19	11 9	4	Community service	No	Yes
20	12 4	5 to 7	Operator service	No	No
21	12 5	5 to 7	Operator service	No	Yes
22	12 61	4 to 10	Internal network service	No	No
23	12 62	10	Public safety service	No	No
24	12 63	4 to 10	Internal network service	No	No
25	12 64	4 to 10	Internal network service	No	No
26	12 65	4 to 10	Internal network service	No	No
27	12 66	4 to 10	Internal network service	No	No
28	12 67	4 to 10	Internal network service	No	No
29	12 68	4 to 10	Internal network service	No	No
30	12 72	6 to 10	Testing service	No	Yes

2 Special services numbers that are shared

The following table sets out the form of special services numbers that are shared numbers, and provides information on the way in which the numbers can be used.

Specia Item	<u>l services nur</u> Column 1 First digits	nbers (shared Column 2 Number of digits) Column 3 Type of service	Column 4 Is incoming international access available?	Column 5 Low charge number?	Column 6 Selectable number?
1	12 21	4	International faults and difficulties service	No	Yes	Yes
2	12 22	4	Call costs and enquiries (national and international) service	No	Yes	Yes

•			Special services numbers (shared)						
Item	Column 1 First digits	Column 2 Number of digits	Column 3 Type of service	Column 4 Is incoming international access available?	Column 5 Low charge number?	Column 6 Selectable number?			
3	12 23	4	Directory assistance services within the meaning of the Act, or other operator service	No	Yes for directory assistance services, no for other services	No			
4	12 25	4	International directory assistance service	No	Yes	Yes			
5	12 34	4	National and international operator call connection service	No	No	Yes			
6	12 36	4	Directory assistance services within the meaning of the Act	No	No	No			
7	1900	10	Internet of things data-only service	Yes	No	No			
8	1910	10	Internet of things data-only service	Yes	No	No			
9	1920	10	Internet of things data-only service	Yes	No	No			
10	2001	4	Incoming international assistance operator service	Yes	No	No			
11	2002	4	Incoming international delay operator service	Yes	No	No			
12	2003	4	Incoming international directory enquiries service	Yes	No	No			
13	7226	4	Community service	Yes	Yes	No			

Schedule 6—Access codes

Note: See sections 28, 29 and 31.

1 Access codes that are not shared

The following table sets out the form of access codes that are not shared numbers, and provides information on the way in which the numbers can be used.

Access codes					
Item	Column 1 First digits	Column 2 Number of digits	Column 3 Type of service	Column 4 Numbers that can be prefixed	
1	0010	4	International service	International numbers	
2	0013	5	International service	International numbers	
3	0014	4	International service	International numbers	
4	0015	4	International service	International numbers	
5	0016	4	International service	International numbers	
6	0017	5	International service	International numbers	
7	0018	4	International service	International numbers	
8	0019	4	International service	International numbers	
9	009	5	International service	International numbers	
10	10	4 to 15	Incoming only international service	Geographic numbers, local numbers, special services numbers, mobile numbers and private numbers	
11	11	4 to 15	Incoming only international service	Geographic numbers, local numbers, special services numbers, mobile numbers and private numbers	
12	12	4 to 15	Incoming only international service	Geographic numbers, local numbers, special services numbers, mobile numbers and private numbers	
13	141	4	Interconnect and routing service	Geographic numbers, local numbers, selectable shared numbers and mobile numbers	
14	142	4	Interconnect and routing service	Geographic numbers, local numbers, selectable shared numbers and mobile numbers	
15	143	4	Interconnect and routing service	Geographic numbers, local numbers, selectable shared numbers and mobile numbers	
16	144	4	Interconnect and routing service	Geographic numbers, local numbers, selectable shared numbers and mobile numbers	
17	145	4	Interconnect and routing service	Geographic numbers, local numbers, selectable shared numbers and mobile numbers	

Access codes					
Item	Column 1 First digits	Column 2 Number of digits	Column 3 Type of service	Column 4 Numbers that can be prefixed	
18	146	4	Interconnect and routing service	Geographic numbers, local numbers, selectable shared numbers and mobile numbers	
19	147	4	Interconnect and routing service	Geographic numbers, local numbers, selectable shared numbers and mobile numbers	
20	148	4	Interconnect and routing service	Geographic numbers, local numbers, selectable shared numbers and mobile numbers	
21	149	4	Interconnect and routing service	Geographic numbers, local numbers, selectable shared numbers and mobile numbers	
22	188	5	Virtual private network service	Geographic numbers, local numbers, international numbers, special services numbers and private numbers	

2 Access codes that are shared

The following table sets out the form of access codes that are shared numbers, and provides information on the way in which the numbers can be used.

Access codes					
Item	Column 1 First digits or symbols	Column 2 Number of digits or symbols	Column 3 Type of service	Column 4 Numbers that can be prefixed	
1	0011	4	International direct dial service	International numbers	
2	0012	4	International ring back price service	International numbers	
3	1831	4	Calling number display override service (block display)	Geographic numbers, local numbers, international numbers, mobile numbers and special services numbers	
4	1832	4	Calling number display override service (unblock display)	Geographic numbers, local numbers, international numbers, mobile numbers and special services numbers	
5	*31#	4	Calling number display override service (unblock display)	Geographic numbers, local numbers, international numbers, mobile numbers and special services numbers	
6	#31#	4	Calling number display override service (block display)	Geographic numbers, local numbers, international numbers, mobile numbers and special services numbers	

Schedule 7—Size of standard unit

Note: See the definition of *standard unit* in section 5.

1 Size of standard unit for different types of number

The following table sets out the quantity of numbers in a standard unit for different types of numbers.

Note: Numbers are commonly allocated in standard units, and are preferably surrendered in standard units.

Size of standard unit for different types of number					
Item	Type of number	Quantity of numbers in standard unit			
1	Geographic numbers other than for allocation in designated standard zone units	1 000			
2	Geographic numbers for allocation in designated standard zone units	100			
3	Freephone numbers	1			
4	Mobile numbers	10 000			
5	Local rate numbers	1			
6	Special services numbers specified for use with a satellite telephone service	10 000			
7	Special services numbers specified for use with a data network access service, 5 digits long	1			
8	Special services numbers specified for use with a data network access service, 10 digits long	1 000			
9	Special services numbers specified for use with a community service	1			
10	Special services numbers specified for use with an operator service, 5 or 6 digits long	1			
11	Special services numbers specified for use with an operator service, 7 digits long	10			
12	Special services numbers specified for use with an internal network service	1 000			
13	Special services numbers specified for use with a testing service	100			
14	Special service numbers specified for use with an internet of things service	10 000			
15	Special services numbers specified for use with a public safety service	10 000			
16	Access codes	1			