

Government Notice No. 124 of 2025

THE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT

**Regulations made by the Minister under section 4(1) of the
Consumer Protection Act**

1. These regulations may be cited as the Consumer Protection (Safety Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations 2025.
2. In these regulations –
“principal regulations” means the Consumer Protection (Safety Requirements) Regulations 2019.
3. Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is amended by inserting, in the appropriate alphabetical order, the following new definitions –
“carbon monoxide” means a colourless, an odourless and a tasteless toxic gas produced by the incomplete combustion of carbon-based fuels, including liquefied petroleum gas;
“carbon monoxide detector” means an electronic device that detects and measures the concentration of carbon monoxide in the air and provides both audible and visual alerts to allow the user to switch off the gas-fired water heater before exposure reaches hazardous levels;
“gas-fired water heater” means any appliance designed to heat water for domestic use by the combustion of liquefied petroleum gas or other gaseous fuel;
4. The principal regulations are amended by inserting, after regulation 9, the following new regulation –

9A. Safety requirements for gas-fired water heaters and carbon monoxide detectors

No person shall manufacture, import, distribute, sell or expose for sale any gas-fired water heater unless –

- (a) it is accompanied, in the same packaging or as part of the same transaction, by –
 - (i) a gas exhaust pipe suitable for venting combustion gases to the exterior; and
 - (ii) a carbon monoxide detector that –
 - (A) complies with the standard specified for that product in the First Schedule; and
 - (B) is accompanied by a certificate of conformity;
 - (C) bears clear instructions, in English or French language, regarding installation, maintenance and replacement;
- (b) it is accompanied by a manual in English or French language, regarding safe installation, maintenance and replacement of the gas-fired water heater;
- (c) a visible warning label, printed in both English and French language, in boldface characters in a front size not smaller than 10 points or with a minimum height of 3 millimetres is affixed on the packaging of the gas-fired water heater, stating the following –

WARNING: Improper installation or use of this appliance, including the absence of adequate ventilation and a functioning carbon monoxide

detector equipped with audible and visual alarms, may result in serious injury or death.

- (d) complies with the standard specified in the First Schedule; and
- (e) is accompanied by a certificate of conformity issued by an accredited third-party conformity assessment body acceptable to the Mauritius Standards Bureau.

5. The First Schedule to the principal regulations is amended, in Part I, by adding the following new items and their corresponding entries –

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| 11. | 8419.11 | Gas-fired water heaters | MS EN 26 |
| 12. | 8531.10 | Carbon monoxide detectors | EN 50291-1 Gas detectors - (Electrical apparatus for the detection of carbon monoxide in domestic premises Part 1: Test methods and performance requirements |

6. (1) Subject to paragraph (2), these regulations shall come into operation on 20 December 2025.

(2) Regulation 4, insofar as it relates to regulation 9A(d) and (e), shall come into operation on 20 June 2026.

Made by the Minister on 5 December 2025.
