



# Newsletter

## News & Events: Technical updates & standards

At the SACGA Annual General Meeting held on 5 July 2012, the rotation of the Board of Directors took place. Barry Little (Air Products), handed over the Chairmanship to the Vice-Chairperson Chris Grobbelaar (Afrox) who will chair The SACGA Board for the next two years.

## Draft for Comment SANS 10232-4 Transport of Dangerous Goods

Emergency Information System Part 4 Transport Emergency Cards

The LP Gas Safety Association will be hosting its National Conference at the Riverside Hotel, Vanderbijlpark 21st & 22nd October this year. This Conference covers many interesting topics, including LPG Supply, New storage developments for LPG, best business practices, and regulatory requirements. For more information visit: [www.lpgas.co.za](http://www.lpgas.co.za)

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## Introduction

### Message from chairman

"The registrations continue to move forward for all industry associations with new and renewal applications which is a good indication of the message of the Pressure Equipment Regulations getting out to all sectors of the gas industry. It is pleasing to report that the training manuals for gas installers have been completed by a SETA aligned consulting company with a final sign off meeting held on 3rd July. Congratulations to the associations for the work put into providing information for the material, and also vetting and proof reading the material." **(Barney Richardson: Executive Director SARACCA)**

## Registrations

In terms of the Pressure Equipment Regulations (PER), anyone working on a gas system, must be registered with SAQCC Gas as competent within their scope of work. (Regulation1).

If you are aware of any unauthorized person working on a gas system, please report them to SAQCC Gas, who will in turn report them to the Department of Labour.

People working on pressurized systems that fall under the PER, place themselves and the users at risk. This Invalidates insurance and can result in huge losses, should an incident occur. Please report unsafe work!

To date registrations have been flowing well. Each industry sector has seen improved compliance to the (PER). This is because of a number of factors. End users are becoming increasingly aware of their rights and responsibilities, to ensure that the use registered practitioners, and receive a signed Certificate of conformity on completion of the work being done.

To date there has been a total of 2932 practitioners registered with SAQCC Gas. This includes, Compressed Gases, LPGas, Natural Gas, and Refrigeration & Air Conditioning.

## Regulations & Compliance

The Department of Labour recently introduced the Pressure equipment Guidelines. The document was published early February this year, and provides notes and explanations for all the sections in the Regulations.

This means less confusion about who can do what. It provides explanations regarding the role of Authorised Inspection Bodies, or AIA's as they are called. It also explains the requirements for issuing of Certificates of conformity, (CoC). Visit the Department of Labour website to get more information: <http://www.labour.gov.za>.

The South African Bureau of Standards SABS, has updated their website. Please ensure that you are up to date with any applicable Health & safety Standards. Visit [www.sabs.co.za](http://www.sabs.co.za) and register to receive standard updates.

## Registration Fee

The fees payable for registration as an Authorised Gas Practitioner have been increased in line with the consumer price index;

New registration applications and renewals from March 2012 to February 2013 will be R1596.00 including VAT.

Replacement of lost cards and for change in details cost R360.00 including VAT.