



Australian Government
Registered Organisations Commission

13 July 2022

Andrew Hickman
President
National Fire Industry Association
Sent via email: info@nfia.com.au

Dear Andrew Hickman,

Section 271 application for certificate of exemption from the requirements of Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (the Act) (FR2022/151)

I refer to the application lodged pursuant to section 271(1) of the Act by the National Fire Industry Association (the reporting unit) for the financial year ended 30 June 2022. The application was lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission on 11 July 2022.

The application has been granted. The certificate is attached.

Please note that the ROC has recently released an application form and fact sheet to assist reporting units when applying for a certificate of exemption under section 271 of the Act. Please follow this [link](#) for further information.

If you wish to discuss this matter, please contact Madeleine Hurrell (03) 9603 0988 or by email at Madeleine.Hurrell@roc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'CE', with a small dash at the end.

Chris Enright
Executive Director
Registered Organisations Commission



CERTIFICATE

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

s.271—Certificate of exemption from requirements of Chapter 8, Part 3

National Fire Industry Association

FR2022/151

MR ENRIGHT

MELBOURNE, 13 JULY 2022

Certificate of exemption from the requirements of Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

[1] On 11 July 2022 an application was made under s.271(1) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* by the National Fire Industry Association for a certificate of exemption in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

[2] I am satisfied that the reporting unit did not have any financial affairs in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2022.



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11 July 2022

Commissioner Mark Bielecki
Registered Organisations Commission
GPO Box 2983, Melbourne VIC 3001

By Email: regorgs@roc.gov.au

Dear Commissioner,

Re: Application for Exemption pursuant to s.271 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (Cth)* for financial year ending 30 June 2022 (FR2022/151)

I write on behalf of the National Fire Industry Association (**NFIA**) herein seeking a certificate of exemption from the Requirements of Part 3 Chapter 8 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (Cth)* (**the Act**), pursuant to section 271 of the Act, in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2022 (**the financial year**).

On behalf of the NFIA, I make the following representations with respect to, and in support of, this application for exemption:

- the NFIA (the *'reporting unit'* for the purpose of s.271) did not have any financial affairs during the financial year, such that it may be eligible for an exemption pursuant to s.271(1);
 - in the financial year, the NFIA did not –
 - have any financial affairs;
 - maintain a bank account;
 - hold money in cash;
 - receive revenue;
 - expend money;
 - incur any liabilities;
 - hold an interest in any real property or personal property;
 - act as trustee in any form;
 - have any funds pursuant to the NFIA's Constitution;
 - produce financial accounts;
 - trade or carry out financial transactions of any kind;
 - engage in any activities which gave cause to keep accounting records;



- in the financial year, the National Fire Industry Association of Australia Ltd (**NFIAA**), being a related entity intended to be the successor of the NFIA, facilitated the NFIA continuing to conduct necessary activities; and
- this application is being made to the Commissioner within 90 days after the end of the financial year, pursuant to s.271(3) of the Act.

There is currently an application before the Fair Work Commission for the registration of an entity named the 'National Fire Industry Association of Australia Ltd' (the NFIAA, mentioned above), incorporated under the relevant Act and being a related entity intended to be the successor of the NFIA. In this respect, we have been in communication with officers of the Fair Work Commission and are working with them to progress this application.

The NFIA was issued with an exemption of this kind for the year 2020 – 2021, dated 27 August 2021.

We respectfully seek that you please consider the abovementioned matters and issue an exemption to the NFIA, pursuant to s.271.

Thank you for considering our correspondence. Should you have any questions or require any further information on any aspects of this correspondence, please contact us using the details provided.

Kind regards,

Andrew Hickman
President
National Fire Industry Association