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1. Introduction

Stobie pole art is becoming more popular in colouring our streetscapes. SA Power Networks is supportive of individuals and organisations in the community painting or installing mosaic artworks on Stobie poles. However, it is important to ensure that certain requirements are followed for the safety and enjoyment of everyone involved in creating artworks on Stobie poles.

Endorsement from SA Power Networks for an individual or organisation to paint or install mosaic art is based on all conditions in this document being met.

2. Requirements for painting and/or installation of mosaic art

The following are the requirements for painting and/or the installation of mosaic art on SA Power Networks' Stobie poles:

- Painting and/or installation of mosaic on a Stobie pole is contingent upon the individual or organisation receiving formal approval from the appropriate council. This approval is required prior to any work commencing.
- The individual or organisation takes responsibility for the artistic quality of the painting.
- The individual or organisation is responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the artwork where applicable.
- The artwork **shall not** conceal or obstruct any signs, identification numbers or any SA Power Networks' equipment mounted on the poles. An example is shown below.



- The individual or organisation must not proceed with the installation of any artwork on a Stobie pole in the event that it is unsafe to do so.
- SA Power Networks does not recognise any copyright or other claim of ownership of the painted/mosaic material, nor does the existence of the painted/mosaic material give the individual or organisation any rights over or ownership of the Stobie pole.
- SA Power Networks does not accept any liability for replacing the artwork on painted/mosaic poles when the poles are repaired or replaced, or assets added in the normal course of system operating requirements.
- SA Power Networks accepts no liability for the replacement, restoration, or ongoing visibility of artwork on poles where approved modifications are undertaken. This includes, but is not limited to, the addition, alteration, installation, repair, maintenance, or replacement of pole-mounted equipment or the poles themselves.
- SA Power Networks reserves the right to paint over or remove artwork from the pole if required at any time.
- The individual or organisation indemnifies SA Power Networks against any actions resulting from the artwork and its installation and removal.

- The individual or organisation will take responsibility for any safety considerations related to the painting/decorating of the pole, particularly to the use of high visibility clothing, traffic control, the use of an attentive observer and any other considerations deemed necessary for working safely within close proximity to a roadway.
- The individual or organisation is responsible for all permits, authorisations or licences to undertake the installation of artwork near or in vicinity to any public road, footpath or road reserve. SA Power Networks is not liable for any damage to land caused by the individual applicant/artist in its completion of their artwork.
- SA Power Networks accepts no responsibility at all in relation to painted or mosaic art installed on SA Power Networks' Stobie poles.

3. Prohibited painted or mosaic art

The following is **NOT** permitted on SA Power Networks' Stobie poles:

- Commercial advertising e.g. business name or logo;
- Certain colours or combinations of colours arranged in particular patterns that have become associated with certain trades or firms;
- Political material;
- Local messages;
- Directions; and
- any other material likely to offend.

4. Installation

Mosaic art must be applied to an appropriate weather resistant backing board and be attached using a cement-based exterior construction adhesive. An appropriate primer may be used as stipulated by the adhesive manufacture. If cleaning of the area on the pole is required a wire brush may be used. The backing board and any part of the mosaic must not protrude past the edge of the pole. Please note that poles can be of different sizes and taper.

If a backing board is used for a painting it must follow the same requirements stipulated above for mosaic art.

All art must be fastened securely so that it cannot become detached in high winds and endanger SA Power Networks' equipment or the public. Metal straps, cable ties, screws and nuts and bolts are not permitted.

Modification to any Stobie poles (eg. drilling) is not permitted.

The top of artwork shall not be higher than 2.0 metres from ground level

No ladders or operating plant are to be leant against the Stobie pole during installation or removal. Ladders used must be self-supporting and non-conductive.

The artist agrees to take full responsibility for all safety considerations related to the installation, ongoing inspection and maintenance of the painting and/or mosaic art installed on a Stobie pole.

The artist must ensure suitable safe work method statements (SWMS) are prepared and followed, and that a site-by-site risk assessment is completed for each installation.

5. Removal

SA Power Networks may at its discretion remove the painted or mosaic artwork in an emergency and will not be liable for damages as a result of its removal.

6. Who should you talk to?

Community engagement enquiries should be directed to SA Power Networks Customer Service Centre 13 12 61 (Monday - Friday from 9am - 5pm) or via customerservice@sapowernetworks.com.au.