



New telephone prefixes issued

Numbers from new prefixes have recently been issued to telephone users in 16 areas across Australia.

The new numbers have been issued to residents and businesses requesting new telephone services. Existing numbers are not affected or changed by the new numbers.

Telephone numbers that look unfamiliar should be checked before dialling. Numbers should not be changed into something more familiar as this may result in a misdial to another telephone user.

Existing local call arrangements are unaffected by the new numbers. Call costs are also unchanged.

Telephone users should be able to identify similar location information from the new numbers; for example, the wider Colac and Geelong area using (03) 52 numbers has been supplemented with additional numbers starting with (03) 42.

Some reprogrammable customer premises equipment (CPE) such as PABXs may require updating to ensure the smooth introduction of the new numbers. If CPE is not reprogrammed, some businesses may not be able to dial the new numbers. A CPE programmer should be contacted if additional information is required.

A further 25 new prefixes have also been specified for use. Numbers from these prefixes will be allocated in the future as an area runs out of numbers. This may occur at any time during the next ten years.

The 25 additional prefixes and more information can be found on the ACMA website at <www.acma.gov.au/Newnumbers>.

NEW PREFIXES

Area	New prefix	Existing prefix
NSW	(02) 55	(02) 65
	(02) 56	(02) 66
	(02) 58	(02) 68
Victoria	(03) 40	(03) 50
	(03) 42	(03) 52
	(03) 43	(03) 53
	(03) 44	(03) 54
	(03) 45	(03) 55
	(03) 61	(03) 62
Queensland	(07) 42	(07) 40
	(07) 44	(07) 47
	(07) 45	(07) 46
South Australia	(08) 75	(08) 85
	(08) 76	(08) 86
Northern Territory	(08) 79	(08) 89
Western Australia	(08) 68	(08) 98

Children's and preschool programs granted classification, May 2008

Program title	Series	Episode description	Program style	Program type	Country of origin	New/renewal	Class	Decision date	Applicant
<i>Sumo Mouse</i>	1	1-13	Animation	Drama – series	Australia	New	CD	7/05/08	Sumo Mouse Productions Pty Ltd
<i>Hi-5</i>	10	1-45	Live action/puppetry	Light	Australia	New	P	14/05/08	Hi-5 Operations Pty Ltd
<i>Lab Rats</i>	1	1-65	Live action	Light entertainment – competition/game show	Australia	New	PRC	16/05/08	Pacific & Beyond Pty Ltd
<i>Zeke's Pad</i>	1	1-12, 14	Animation	Drama – series	Australia	New	CD	22/05/08	Avrill Stark Entertainment

Class – Classification, C – C Classification, CD – C Drama, P – P Classification, PRC – Provisional C, PRP – Provisional P. A classification expires five years after the date it was granted or renewed