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Many fuel stations across Australia supply low aromatic unleaded fuel. It has been introduced to help decrease petrol sniffing which is putting our young people's lives at risk. Using low aromatic unleaded fuel works in reducing petrol sniffing. Together we can make a difference!

Low aromatic unleaded fuel is available across parts of regional and remote Northern Territory, South Australia, Queensland and Western Australia.



*Together we can make a difference!*

Equivalent performance to regular unleaded fuel



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For more information visit [www.lowaromaticunleaded.gov.au](http://www.lowaromaticunleaded.gov.au)

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### Fuel retailers are a key partner in delivering low aromatic unleaded fuel.

The Australian Government appreciates your participation in this important initiative to help reduce petrol sniffing and improve the safety and wellbeing of the local region.

### PREVENTING PETROL SNIFFING

The Australian Government is helping regional and remote communities overcome the devastating effects petrol sniffing has on the community. Petrol sniffing stops people being able to go to work or school and has a damaging effect on the safety and wellbeing of the whole community.

The Australian Government works with fuel manufacturers and distributors to ensure that low aromatic unleaded fuel is available to you and your customers at a similar price to regular unleaded 91 fuel.

Low aromatic unleaded fuel works. Research conducted by the Menzies School of Health Research has found that in areas receiving low aromatic unleaded fuel petrol sniffing has dropped by up to 94 per cent.

### PRODUCT INFORMATION

Low aromatic unleaded fuel has a minimum octane rating of 91 and can be used instead of regular unleaded 91 fuel.

It has undergone independent testing to ensure it complies with the quality standards of other fuels used in Australia. It can be used in all vehicles and small engines in which manufacturers recommend the use of regular unleaded 91 fuel. This includes cars, boats and small engines such as lawn mowers, whipper snippers, generators, chainsaws, motor bikes and all-terrain vehicles.

Low aromatic unleaded fuel has the same performance features as regular unleaded 91 fuel. It has extremely low levels of aromatics making it less attractive for people to sniff in order to get a 'high'.



### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### Will my customers want to buy low aromatic unleaded fuel?

Independent research has indicated that visitors to regional and remote communities will support the prevention of petrol sniffing by buying low aromatic unleaded fuel where it is available.

Support for low aromatic unleaded fuel continues to grow and the number of communities requesting it is increasing all the time.

The Government is implementing an information programme to educate community members,

tourists and businesses about low aromatic unleaded fuel, and to encourage them to support the prevention of petrol sniffing by using the fuel where it is available.

#### Why aren't all retailers being asked to supply low aromatic unleaded fuel?

Not every community or region experiences petrol sniffing. If you have been asked to supply low aromatic unleaded fuel at your retail site, this means that people in your community or region have identified a need for it. In addition, low aromatic unleaded fuel is also supplied in regions that are in close proximity to at-risk regions and communities. Therefore, if you supply low aromatic unleaded fuel at your site you will be helping to protect your whole community and region.

#### Do I need to upgrade my tanks and bowsers?

There are no requirements to change or refurbish fuel storage tanks or actual fuel bowsers to supply low aromatic unleaded fuel.

As a precaution, it is normal business practice to replace bowser seals when changing from one product to another. This is because sometimes seals can be affected when changing from a regular unleaded fuel to a fuel where the aromatics are reduced.

#### Can I still stock premium unleaded fuel?

Yes. Low aromatic unleaded fuel only replaces regular unleaded 91 fuel. Guidelines on the responsible sale and storage of premium unleaded fuel have been developed for service stations, roadhouses and communities that sell premium unleaded fuel in regions where low aromatic unleaded fuel is available.

**Further technical information is available from your low aromatic unleaded fuel manufacturer. For more information about using low aromatic unleaded fuel visit [www.lowaromaticunleaded.gov.au](http://www.lowaromaticunleaded.gov.au)**