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ATTACHMENT OF EQUIPMENT TO TRAFFIC FACILITIES ASSETS

ISSUE

The RTA traffic facilities assets exist for the efficient and safe movement of pedestrians and vehicles.

However, the RTA often gets requests for the attachment of non-RTA or third party equipment on its traffic facilities assets.

Generally, the attachment of non-RTA equipment on RTA traffic facilities assets is **not** permitted for the following reasons:

- third party equipment may give rise to adverse health, safety and OHS risk management ramifications.
- field staff may be exposed to increased hazards when servicing RTA traffic facilities assets.
- field staff may cause damage to non-RTA or third party equipment.
- non-RTA equipment may limit capacity, expansion and upgrading of RTA traffic facilities assets.
- non-RTA and third party equipment may result in higher maintenance costs.
- traffic facilities assets may be vulnerable to damage during the installation and maintenance of non-RTA or third party equipment.

However, the RTA has entered into license agreements with the telecommunication companies, such as Optus Pty Ltd, to install their equipment on the traffic facilities assets. This is an exception due to the federal legislation. In this case, there are agreed maintenance procedures between them and the RTA.

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ACTION

Except for telecommunication companies, the attachment of non-RTA or third party equipment on RTA traffic facilities assets is **not** permitted.

This policy takes effect immediately.

UPDATES

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www.rta.nsw.gov.au/doingbusinesswithus/guidelines/documentregister/index.html

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